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UTFA Council Updates

September 29, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this Update:

- UTFA Prepares for Bargaining - Bargaining Survey Reminder (closes October 9)
- Research Misconduct Investigations
- Grievances Update
- Upcoming Event: C.B. Macpherson Lecture

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June 22, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this Update: UTFA Council for 2026-2027

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- Each year, approximately one-third of the Council seats are up for election. This year, 19 Council members and one vacant seat had terms expiring on June 30, 2026.

- The following 15 new and returning members were acclaimed, with terms ending June 30, 2029:

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June 9, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this Update:

- UTFA Executive for 2026-2027
- Update on Quercus Outage
- 2026 Arbitration Update
- Register for Promotion/Continuing Status Review Workshop for Teaching Stream Faculty

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April 14, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this Update:

- UTFA's AGM is approaching! Save the Date and time of April 23rd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, followed by an UTFA Social!
- Communication re: Security Concerns
- Updates on the Policy on Academic Continuity
- Research Misconduct Investigations
- Social Media Posts by Member of U of T Governing Council
- Upcoming Spring Workshops

Register for UTFA's AGM and Post-AGM Social!

- UTFA's AGM is approaching! Save the Date of April 23rd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm! This event will be hybrid and will be followed by a member social at the Faculty Club Patio, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The AGM will include interactive presentations on:
    - Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Changing Nature of our Work as Faculty and Librarians at the University of Toronto
    - Issues arising from the increase in PhD Funding
    - Highlights from the Salary, Benefits, and Workload Bargaining Table
- Register Here for the AGM and Social!

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March 17, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this Update:

- 2026 Bargaining Update
- Departmental Visits
- UPP Divestment Motion Update
- UTFA's Organizational and Operational Review - "Help Shape UTFA's Future" Survey
- UTFA's AGM is approaching! Save the Date and time of April 23rd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, followed by an UTFA Social!
- Upcoming Spring Workshops

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January 6, 2026 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this update:

- 2026 Bargaining Update and Bargaining Survey (closes Jan 9)
- UPP Divestment Motion Update
- Nominations Open for Academic Citizenship Award

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November 17, 2025 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

In this update:

- A Bargaining Update
- UTFA is Seeking Member Input on Strengthening our Governance
- UTFA's Leadership Pushes the UPP Leadership to Engage on Divestment
- Defending Members' Rights and Knowing Your Rights
- UTFA's Membership Committee Welcomes New Members

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January 16, 2025 Council Update

Dear Colleagues!
In this update: UTFA's Negotiation Team and the Administration continue to engage in mediation while preparing for the commencement of arbitration on Feb 10. Get the details and ask questions at the Bargaining Town Halls on Jan 20 & 21. We want to hear from you about recent administration directives around graduate student funding, academic restructuring, and learning materials. Read more about these issues as well as the Associations's self-study, responsible investing & the UPP, and more. Read more

November 13, 2024 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

I have a short update from UTFA concerning the on-going status of negotiations with the administration as well as information about UTFA's finances, budget, standing committees, legal and workplace advice, and UTFA's academic citizenship award. Read more

October 23, 2024 Council Update

Dear Colleagues,
As your representative, I am writing with updates from UTFA Council on salary, benefits, and workload negotiations; the Administration's unilaterally developed User Guide to U of T Policies on Protest and Use of Campus Services; part-time and limited-term faculty appointments; workload concerns; health and safety; and a new UTFA office. Read more

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