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Tomorrow, OCUFA and the post-secondary community is holding a 'Rally on Wheels for Public Education' event in multiple cities across the province. The objective is to draw public awareness of the decimation of Laurentian University, the harmful consequences of the erosion of collegial governance, and the chronic underfunding of post-secondary education.

UTFA strongly condemns the unilateral actions of Laurentian University's Administration. Hundreds of faculty, librarians, staff, and students have been left behind by Laurentian's governance and financial crisis. The latest details of the situation are [available here](#) and past UTFA statements are [available here](#).

UTFA encourages our members to participate in a show of solidarity for the Laurentian community and the need to stabilize post-secondary education.

You can participate in two ways tomorrow:

- **10AM** – join virtually for an online program (via [Scholars Strike Canada](#))
- **11AM- 12PM**– join in-person for rallies across multiple cities (Toronto, Ottawa, Kitchener-Waterloo, Sudbury, etc.)

UTFA President Terezia Zorić and Vice-President Jun Nogami will be attending on their bikes. **UTFA members who wish to join Executive members for the in-person rally can meet at 720 Spadina Avenue at 10:45AM.** Please follow public health guidelines by wearing the appropriate masks and taking other necessary measures to stay safe. For details on how to participate safely in person, please register [here](#).

If you are unable to join in tomorrow, you can still participate in ongoing campaigns to support Laurentian, such as signing [Laurentian University Faculty Association's letter](#) to call upon provincial and federal officials to step up and provide emergency funding to secure the University.

Thank you,

Terezia Zorić
UTFA President

Roy Gillis
UTFA Vice-President, University and External Affairs

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UTFA Vice-President, Salary, Benefits, Pensions, and Workload

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