



Solidarity Sunday March 20, 2022

We on the board hope everyone had a great spring break (our first in a while). Less than two months to go 'til commencement! The pandemic (and recent world events) have demonstrated the importance of sticking together, and that is exactly how we've gotten this far, and how we'll finish this year.

What is happening with the DUO Multifactor Authentication System?

The AAUP-UC and Utica University have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement regarding the DUO Multifactor Authentication system. The Agreement, which is posted on [our website](#), allows bargaining unit members to use DUO on their phone if they wish. If a bargaining unit member, for any reason, does not wish to use DUO on their personal phone, that bargaining unit member will be issued an iPad by the University that will have DUO installed on it.

[https://
aauputicacollege.org/
resources/](https://aauputicacollege.org/resources/)

Will the DUO Multifactor Authentication System be mandatory to access University email and other University computing services?

Yes.

How often will I have to use the multifactor authentication system?

We are told authentication should be approximately once a day per device. Each authentication lasts 24 hours.

When is the next AAUP-UC membership and business meeting?

The next AAUP-UC membership meeting is May 11, at 11:00am. Please mark it on your calendars.

Will the next AAUP-UC membership meeting be in person or virtual?

Both! We will return to having our annual in-person business luncheon. Tentative location is the Burrstone Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) on Burrstone Road. For those who cannot, or do not want, to attend in person, we will have equipment set up so members can attend virtually. We will send more details about the business luncheon (including remote access options) soon. In the meantime, please mark it on your calendars.

Will the AAUP-UC be awarding scholarships this year?

Yes. We will award the [Virgil C. Crisafulli and Robert W. Millet Scholarships](#). You will receive an email notice regarding how to nominate a candidate within the next two weeks.

<https://aauputicacollege.org/aaup-uc/about/scholarships/>

When is the next election cycle for the AAUP-UC and what positions will be available?

A call for nominations for the next election cycle will be sent out in the next two weeks. Open positions include President, Treasurer, and three (3) At-Large board positions.

What is the status of negotiations?

The AAUP-UC negotiating team is the process of preparing for the negotiation sessions. We anticipate negotiations with the University will begin soon. If you have any workplace concerns, please let any member of the Governing Board and/or the negotiators know.

Can someone overenroll my course without my permission?

No. Only the bargaining unit member teaching the course section has the authority to override the course cap, and you may not be negatively or adversely evaluated for choosing not to over-enroll your course(s).

What do I do if I find that one (or more) of my summer and/or fall courses have been over enrolled beyond the course cap?

You should notify the respective chair and dean if your course has been over-enrolled, and copy that notification to Grievance Officer Kirstin Walker (kfwalker@utica.edu).

What do I do if I am being pressured to overenroll my course beyond the course cap?

If you feel you are being pressured to overenroll your course, contact any member of the governing board and/or Grievance Officer Kirstin Walker.

Are students being automatically tested for Covid-19 when they return from Spring Break?

No. While the University is not doing any surveillance testing of students or faculty who have been traveling, you can get N95 masks from several places on campus, including the Health and Safety office (Gregg Sponburgh, grsponbu@utica.edu).

In Solidarity,

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President, AAUP-UC

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