CUE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



NO FOOD SERVICES OVER THE SPRING/SUMMER

Dana Foods will be suspending food and catering services over the summer. The last day the Kiosk will be open is Friday, April 29th and the Cafeteria will be Saturday, April 30th.

Food and catering services will not be offered from May 1st to August 9th.

Food services will resume on August 9th.

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Ramadan Iftar 🧃

April 28th at 9pm in Tegler



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route to Concordia's campus after April 29, 2022.

Route 1517 will resume for Fall 2022 semester.

ETS SERVICE TO CAMPUS ENDS ON FRIDAY, APRIL 29

ROUTE 1517 bus service to campus will end April 29th.

Please refer to the ETS Trip planning site to find an alternate







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IN WATCHING

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MAY 7, 2022

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nough LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN MAKE IT BETTER Open to students. Go to tinyurl.com/CUEGBVP to register and learn more. **REGISTER** HERE

TIPS TO IDENTIFY AN EMPLOYMENT SCAMS IN CANADA:

1. The employer is offering you money for nothing

- Employers will not give you money before you start working. Be wary if they offer you money before you meet them, especially if they are asking for the money back in gift cards, cryptocurrency, etc.
- Often the money that they send you (through a cheque etc.) will not be accepted by the bank, so the money you send them will be your own.

2. The employer is asking you for money

• Employment scams may say that the money is for the uniform, needed equipment, or other reasons. In Canada, you do not need to pay money to be hired for a job. As soon as an 'employer' asks you for money, be wary.

3. The employer is using pressure tactics

• The 'employer' may try to discourage you from contacting your bank or the authorities through time limits and other means. They may also threaten to retract the job offer in order to pressure you to send them the money.

4. The employer is not being professional

- If the employer is texting you, responding to emails all day (even past 5 pm and on weekends), and/or being too friendly be wary. Employers will use email or phone calls (not texting) to communicate and are very busy. They will not have the time to keep in contact with every applicant all day!
- Legitimate employers will not ask you for your personal information (address, SIN number, banking information, Alberta Student Number, relationship status, etc.) in your job application or before you sign a contract. When you receive a legitimate job, you may need to provide personal information in order to be paid, but you will typically fill out those Government of Canada forms on your first day of work.
- If you are unsure, contact Career Services.

What can I do to minimize the chance of being targeted for an employment scam?

- If you have a 'gut' feeling that something isn't right trust it! It is better to be safe than sorry.
- Do not include your address on your resume and cover letter (eg. "Edmonton, Alberta" instead), nor other sensitive information such as your SIN, Alberta Student ID, Passport Number, etc.
- If you have been targeted by a scam in the past, if possible change your phone number and email address.
- Do your research. Does the employer have a LinkedIn account? Is the job posting on the official company website? If not, be cautious.

When in doubt - Ask for help!

Contact Career Services if you are unsure about a job posting or employment offer before you send money/giftcards/ personal information to the 'employer'.

Book an Appointment:: <u>Career Services website</u> Email: <u>careerservices@concordia.ab.ca</u>

Resources to learn more about preventing employment scams:

Edmonton Police Services <u>https://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CrimePrevention/PersonalFamilySafety/Frauds/OnlineS</u> <u>cams/EmploymentScams</u>

Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (888-495 8501) http://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm



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x-мдт 51 Renewable and Sustainable Energy Management

Gain valuable and in-demand skills to succeed in the field of Energy Management

Saturdays, April 23 - June 11, 2022

Click here: X-MGT 51

For more information and to register, visit https://tinyurl.com/CUE-X-MGT-51





| Office of Extension and Culture

X-MUE 01

Classical Music Appreciation



April 26 - June 28, 2022 | Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:30 pm For more information and to register visit tinyurl.com/CUE-X-MUE-01

X-MUE 01

X-MUE 03

Introduction to Popular Music



April 28 - June 30, 2022 | Thursdays 7:00 - 9:30 pm For more information and to register visit tinyurl.com/CUE-X-MUE-03

<u>X-MUE 03</u>

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Spring Into Your Career MAY 4-11

DATE	DAY	SESSIONS	LOCATION
4	W	Rapid Resume Reviews	9:00AM - 11:00AM Virtual 2:00PM-4:00PM Student Success Centre
		<u>How to Make the Most of</u> <u>Your Summer</u>	12:00PM-1:00PM HAC-HA208
5	ΤН	Level Up Your Job Application	12:00PM-1:00PM HAC-HA208
6	F	Preparing to Apply to Grad School	12:00PM-1:00PM HAC-HA208
9	М	<u>How to Prepare for</u> Interviews (Professional and Graduate School)	12:00PM-1:00PM HAC-HA208
10	Т	<u>Careers After CUE:</u> <u>Alumni Panel</u>	4:00PM-5:30PM HAC-HA208
11	W	Rapid Resume Reviews	9:00AM - 11:00AM Virtual 2:00PM-4:00PM Student Success Centre
Registration Required			

Register Now



The tax-filing deadline for most individuals is April 30, 2022.

File your income tax and benefit return as soon as you can. Doing so will allow you to:

✓ receive any refund faster (if applicable) ✓ avoid interruptions to your benefit and credit payments ✓ seek help if you need it

Domestic Students

Get ready to do your taxes! What you need to know. Visit canada.ca/taxes-get-ready

Did you know? Students may get up to \$443 per year in GST/HST credit payments once they turn 19 if they file their taxes.

A few ways to do your taxes:

- Use Certified Software products to make filing easy, and some are free! Go to canada.ca/netfile
- You may be able to get free help from a volunteer at a FREE TAX CLINIC.
 - Free tax filing support for Edmontonians <u>https://tax.e4calberta.org/</u>
 - The Bissell Centre <u>https://bissellcentre.org/programs/individual/taxes/</u>
 - o Go to canada.ca/get-tax-help

• File on paper: Download a tax package at canada.ca/taxes-general-package

General Tax Enquiries: 1-800-959-8281 Tax Benefit Enquiries: 1-800-387-1193



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The tax-filing deadline for most individuals is April 30, 2022.

Did you know?

- 1. International students cannot submit their first tax filing in Canada online. They must submit on paper.
- International students who are residents of Canada may be considered for the Canada Child Tax Benefit in their 19th month of residency. They must hold a valid Study Permit.
- 3. Free Tax filing help is available for low-income international students who have simple situations. Visit the CRA website or call 211 to ask about Community Volunteer Income Tax Program offices in your local area.

Important links from the Canada Revenue Agency:

- 1. International Students: <u>https://www.canada.ca/taxes-international-students</u>
- 2. Learn About Your Taxes: https://www.canada.ca/understanding-taxes
- 3. Community Volunteer Income Tax Program FREE TAX CLINIC <u>https://www.canada.ca/taxes- help</u>
- 4. My Account: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/e-services/e-services-individuals/account-individuals.html</u>

General Tax Enquiries: 1-800-959-8281 Tax Benefit Enquiries: 1-800-387-1193

Fraud/Scams

Have you been scammed? Have you experienced theft? Call the police and Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre for help: <u>https://antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm</u>





Financial Aid and Awards

Need government student aid (student loans and grants) for the Spring or Summer terms?

- Domestic students can apply for full-time or part-time student loans and/or grants for the spring and/or summer terms (*The deadline to apply for funding for Spring term 1 only has passed*)
- The definition of full-time enrolment for the Spring and Summer terms has changed. Be sure to use the correct funding application. Not sure? Ask us.
 - It can take AB Student Aid up to 4-6 weeks to process a student loan application. If interested, apply now!

Contact a financial aid advisor if you have questions, or need help applying. Email: <u>finaid@concordia.ab.ca</u> or book a Google Meet online advising appointment with a financial aid advisor <u>here</u>

Are you graduating in May or leaving post-secondary?

If you have previous student loans, learn more about student loan repayment here.

Should you have any questions regarding your government student loans, please contact your student loan lenders or a financial aid advisor at Concordia.

Need government student aid (student loans and grants) for the 2022-2023 academic year?

The 2022-2023 Alberta student loan application will be available in early June on the AB Student Aid website. <u>studen-taid.alberta.ca</u>.

Need help applying? Get answers to your funding questions and help submitting your student loan application! Sign up for a personalized appointment with us starting June 13th. Book your virtual Google Meet appointment at <u>bit.ly/CUE- FinAidCal</u>

Apply early (June or July) so your funding is in place by September when fees are due!

Want to learn more about government student aid (student loans and grants)?

To learn more about how student loans work, watch this <u>Orientation Presentation</u> or visit the Alberta Student Aid website at studentaid.alberta.ca.

CONTACT US Email: <u>finaid@concordia.ab.ca</u> Visit financialaid.concordia.ab.ca to book a Google Meet virtual advising appointment



CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2022

CONCORDIA CONVOCATION

MAY 28, 2022





EVENT SCHEDULE