Re: Solidarity pact with other Ontario academic unions

As you may be aware, precarious academic workers from across the province will be bargaining with their respective employers this coming Fall. Many of these workers are members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees – Canada's largest public sector labour union.

CUPE locals representing **25,000 precarious academic workers at 9 Ontario universities** have formed a solidarity pact around priority issues to bring to the bargaining table this Fall. Those locals are:

CUPE Local 2626, University of Ottawa CUPE Local 3902, University of Toronto CUPE Local 3903, York University CUPE Local 3906, McMaster University CUPE Local 3908, Trent University CUPE Local 3913, University of Guelph CUPE Local 4207, Brock University CUPE Local 4580, University of Windsor CUPE Local 4600, Carleton University

This group of locals is committed to negotiating around the following priority issues:

- Job Security and Precarious Work
- Class Sizes and Teaching Ratios
- Equity and Mental Health

We are committed to supporting one another during upcoming collective bargaining. As a demonstration of our collective solidarity we have all submitted this letter to our respective University counterparts to let them know that we're committed to productive, fair, and professional discussions at negotiating tables across the province.

In solidarity,

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