



September 18, 2020

## MEMBERSHIP ADVISORY

### RE: UTMSU Services and Office Closure

The University of Toronto Mississauga Students' Union (UTMSU) has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic, provincial updates, and campus communications to better support students at UTM.

On the evening of September 17, the UTMSU was notified of two positive COVID-19 cases at the Student Centre. Those found in direct contact were asked to self-isolate and get tested by their closest testing facilities.

Due to the nature of the situation, the UTMSU Health and Safety Committee has made the decision to close the UTMSU Offices, the InfoBooth, the Blind Duck Pub, and the Duck Stop immediately for the next two weeks. Additionally, U-Pass distribution is suspended until further notice. Students who are directly affected by this have been emailed by our U-Pass Coordinator. The UTMSU is exploring alternative options in order to safely and promptly distribute U-Passes and will inform members once service resumes. We are in contact with facilities to ensure a deep clean of UTMSU offices and facilities.

The UTMSU is working in collaboration with Peel Public Health to safely reopen in light of the recent changes to in-person gatherings. In the meantime, we invite all students to access our virtual services, events, and campaigns.

We encourage those who may be showing signs and symptoms of COVID-19 to take a self-assessment and follow the recommendations on what to do next. Self-assessments can be conducted with the province of Ontario here: [covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/](https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/).

Symptoms can include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Other symptoms include aches and pains, nasal congestion, runny nose, sore throat, and diarrhea. It is recommended that you voluntarily monitor your health by completing a daily self-assessment.

For additional support, questions, and assistance, please send an email to [president@utmsu.ca](mailto:president@utmsu.ca). We encourage all members of our community to stay home when possible and practice safe physical distancing.

In student solidarity,  
The UTMSU Executives