



## **Accessing Campus in the Event of a Strike**

If CUPE 3906 Unit 1 decides to strike, you should expect picket lines at some of the entry points to campus and anticipate some delays while entering or leaving campus and take these delays into consideration when planning your schedule.

When entering and exiting campus always remain respectful to picketers and avoid confrontation.

The Union is permitted to picket but with certain restrictions. Picketers are legally permitted to:

- Carry signs stating the nature of the dispute
- Speak to people entering the property about their concerns
- Ask persons entering the property to join the picket line.

Picketers are not legally entitled to:

- Blockade entrances to the University
- Use force, threats or threatening gestures.
- Construct physical barriers to block access to the University
- Trespass on the University property to picket
- Interfere with employees who wish to work, or with students coming to campus to attend class, conduct research, etc. by force or by the use of threats or by using any other pressure tactic that amounts to compulsion.

### **Is the union permitted to have picket lines on University property?**

No. There will be no picketing permitted on University property. McMaster University has the authority to ban strike-related equipment such as portable toilets or blockades on University property.

### **Accessing the Campus by Car**

At the McMaster University Main Campus site you can expect picket lines to be present at the main entrances to campus, including the Sterling Street and Cootes Drive entrances. The University trusts that the union will exercise reasonable judgment and will not block the Main Street entrance (McMaster University Medical Centre entrance) with picket lines.

**Accessing the Campus by Bus**

Public transit services will continue however passengers will be dropped off and picked up at designated areas outside picket lines.

**HSR designated stop/pick up point will be the corner of Forysth Avenue and Sterling Street.**

**Coach Canada and Go Transit buses will use the HSR stop at Main Street West and Bowman Street.**

Signs will also be posted on campus redirecting people to the correct location. Please check bus service web sites for the most up-to-date details:

- HSR: <http://www.myhamilton.ca/myhamilton/CityandGovernment/CityServices/transit/>
- Coach: <http://www.coachcanada.com/coachcanada/language.asp>
- Go Transit: <http://www.gotransit.com/>

**Accessing the Campus by Foot or by Bike**

Pedestrians and bike riders may anticipate some delays in crossing picket lines as they enter campus using the main entrances. For health and safety reasons, pedestrians and bike riders are reminded to use approved and maintained paths or walkways as they enter campus.

**Safety and Security Issues**

McMaster Security Services will be monitoring picket line activity in an effort to minimize delays and maintain the peace. Individuals who feel threatened or harassed may contact Security for assistance accessing campus.

Hamilton Police Services will be monitoring access to campus and will be available to assist as required.