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**SENATE EXECUTIVE DECLARES A DISRUPTION  
AND AFFIRMS THE SUSPENSION OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

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On Thursday, November 6 the Executive Committee of Senate declared that a substantial disruption of academic activities has occurred, and that this disruption commenced on November 6 as the result of a strike by CUPE 3903. Consequently, all academic activities at the University are suspended with the following exceptions:

- Non-degree credit activities not involving CUPE 3903 employees;
- activities already scheduled off campus, such as off-campus courses, practicums, placements or internships (unless the Dean determines that they too should be suspended in his/her Faculty);
- degree credit activities provided by the Osgoode Hall Law School at its downtown campus;
- graduate degree credit activities at the Schulich School of Business and in the Masters of Human Resources Management.\*

The University is now in a short-term disruption as defined by the Senate Policy on the Academic Implications of Disruptions or Cessations of University Business Due to Labour Disputes or Other Causes (<http://www.yorku.ca/univsec/policies/document.php?document=70>). No formal remedial steps have been taken except for an extension of the last day to withdraw from Fall term courses without receiving a grade until a date following the disruption. As anticipated by the policy, a disruption of longer than seven days would entail some remediation

Those having items of business for Senate Executive arising from the disruption should contact the Committee's Secretary, Harriet Lewis ([hlewis@yorku.ca](mailto:hlewis@yorku.ca)).

**Professor Brenda Spotton Visano**  
Chair of Senate

This declaration was made by Senate Executive under its authority as set out in the Senate Policy on the Academic Implications of Disruptions or Cessations of University Business Due to Labour Disputes or Other Causes. The full text of the Disruptions Policy can be found on the Senate policies and procedures Website <http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/legislation/senate>. Any authorized changes of other academic policies and regulations will be posted on the Websites of the Senate, Registrar, Faculties, Colleges and offices serving students. The University's home page is an important source for information and links ([www.yorku.ca](http://www.yorku.ca))

**\*Note:** In the Faculty of Education, the practicums of all teacher candidates are suspended by policy of the Ontario Teachers' Federation. For further information contact Jennifer Watt, Practicum Coordinator, Faculty of Education, [practicumoffice@edu.yorku.ca](mailto:practicumoffice@edu.yorku.ca). Education students may also access information at the Faculty website: <http://www.yorku.ca/foe/index.html>. In the Faculty of Health, all Nursing clinical placements and practicums are suspended.