## PSAC Local 901 Bargaining Updates December 08, 2021

Following our #ValueOurWork Rally on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 901 has secured some advancements at the negotiation table. These include: an extension of time limits for filing harassment, violence, or discrimination related grievances, and a process to review and reform access to workplace accommodations. These advancements are purely the result of our collective voice and our solidarity with each other.

Yet, **some of the most important issues continue to be ignored** by the University. We are yet to receive a response from the Employer on -

- Mental Health/Psychological Health and Safety
- Anti-Racist Training
- Sexual Violence Prevention Training

We need the Employer to demonstrate that they care about anti-racism, sexual violence prevention and psychological safety at Queen's University. Addressing these issues are crucial for our safety in the workplace and for the community at large.

On Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, we invited Denis St-Jean, a PSAC expert on Psychological Health and Safety, who explained to the Employer the value of adopting the <u>National Standard on</u>
<u>Psychological Health and Safety</u> at our workplace. Yet, the Employer remains silent.

Our last negotiation before the Christmas break is scheduled for tomorrow, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We urge the University to come with a response that takes our psychological safety seriously, as well as heed our collective call for anti-racism and sexual violence prevention on campus. We are resolved and will continue to amplify your voice at the table!

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