FPSE Toolkit

2020 Fair Employment Week & BC Election

This October, there are two opportunities for educators to move our agenda forward in terms of government and public knowledge of faculty issues.

* Determining the next BC government through voting in the BC election; and
* Engaging community allies in a key issue: fairness for contract faculty.

**Fair Employment Week Highlights at a Glance**

* October 18 – 25 | [Free screening of In Search of Professor Precarious](https://www.fpse.ca/search-professor-precarious-oct-18-24)
* October 19 – 23 | Fair Employment Week
* Oct 19, 20, 21, 23 | CAUT online events
* Tues Oct 20, 7pm-9pm | FPSE Fair Employment Week Social
* Thurs Oct 22 | Social Media Day of Action

**BC Election Highlights at a Glance**

* Oct 15 – 21 | Advance Voting
* October 17 | Deadline to request mail-in ballot from Elections BC
* Sat Oct 24 | General Voting Day

**Resources for you to use**

* <https://fpse.ca/>
* <https://action.fpse.ca/fight-for-fairness>
* Graphics and resources folder <http://bit.ly/few2020resources>
* Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1709876659181381>
* Social media hashtags #MakeItFair #MakeIfFair4CAS and tag @FPSE
* BCFED A Future for All campaign <https://www.futureforall.ca/> (Please do not pay to promote.)

For your ease and convenience, the following content has been laid out in chronological order.

**General Content**

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|  | Fair Employment Week is an international campaign to let people know about the injustice experienced by contract faculty. Register for FPSE or CAUT events happening Oct 19-23 to learn more about how we can #MakeItFair. <https://www.fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020> |
|  | Are you eligible to vote? Then make your vote plan to have your say in the BC election! <https://www.fpse.ca/news/fpse-news/educators-vote-five-things-know-and-do-bc-election>  |

**Thursday October 15**

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|  | FPSE will be sending out an email to our list of subscribers. Forward or incorporate pieces of the body of this email into any member emails by October 24.  |
|  | Fair Employment Week begins on Monday! Register for the CAUT Members’ Panel, Organizing to Win for Contract Academic Staff here. <https://fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020>  |
|  | Early voting starts today! You can also still order your mail-in ballot. Just make sure to vote! <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/where-to-vote/>  |

**Friday October 16**

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|  | You’re invited! Join FPSE leaders and members in an informal get together on Tuesday night. We’ll discuss how we can work together to bring about real fairness for contract faculty. #MakeItFair #MakeItFair4CAS <https://www.fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020> |
|  | Have you decided who you’ll be voting for? The provincial government is in charge of important services we rely on, including our healthcare system, post-secondary institutions, and health and safety regulations. Find out who the candidates are in your electoral district and ask them about their plan for what’s important to you. <https://elections.bc.ca/provincial-elections/provincial-candidates/candidate-list/>  |

**Saturday October 17**

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|  | Beginning tomorrow, you can stream In Search of Professor Precarious FREE. Today, enjoy Precarious Professors Moving Forward, a webinar held in September featuring Gerry Potter, our own Frank Cosco, Sarika Bose, Joe Berry, Pam Johnson and Chandra Pasma. <https://www.fpse.ca/search-professor-precarious-oct-18-24>  |
|  | Today is the last day to order your mail-in ballot – if you want to vote by mail, request your ballot today! <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/how-to-vote-by-mail/>  |

**Sunday October 18**

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|  | We’re proud to provide free streaming of the new film In Search of Professor Precarious all this week. Learn more about the issues facing contract faculty from this award-winning documentary! <https://www.fpse.ca/search-professor-precarious-oct-18-24>  |
|  | REMINDER: You’re invited to join FPSE leaders and members in an informal get together on Tuesday night. We’ll discuss how we can work together to bring about real fairness for contract faculty. <https://www.fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020> |

**Monday October 19**

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|  | FPSE will issue press release, and post to fpse.ca, Facebook, and Twitter. |
|  | Join us as we mark Fair Employment Week with a documentary viewing, an online social, and opportunities to connect with precarious faculty across the country through our CAUT connections! <https://fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020>  |
|  | [Post as Facebook Poll] There’s less than a week left to vote – how will you be voting? <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/where-to-vote/> 1. During the advance polls (Now – Wed Oct 21 8am-8pm local time)
2. At a district electoral office (Now – Sat Oct 24 at 4pm PST)
3. On General Voting Day (Sat Oct 24 8am-8pm PST)
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**Tuesday October 20**

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|  | The FPSE Fair Employment Week Social is TONIGHT! Join FPSE leaders and members in an informal get together. We’ll be discussing how we can work together to bring about real fairness for contract faculty. It will be an exciting evening! <https://fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020>  |
|  | Our democracy is strongest when we all participate. Once you’ve made your vote plan and decided who to vote for, reach out to your friends and family to remind them to vote too! With so much going on, your gentle reminder for people to vote could be all that’s needed to have their valuable perspective included. <https://fpse.ca/news/fpse-news/educators-vote-five-things-know-and-do-bc-election> |

**Wednesday October 21**

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|  | Thanks to everyone who joined our FPSE Fair Employment Week Social last night! If you weren’t able to make it, you can still register for the @CAUT Zoom social for contract academic staff on Friday. <https://fpse.ca/news/meetings-events/fair-employment-week-oct-19-23-2020>  |
|  | Advance polls end today at 8pm local time. Why not beat the line on Election Day and vote today? <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/where-to-vote/>  |

**Thursday October 22**

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|  | Today is the Social Media Day of Action for Fair Employment Week across Canada. Join the conversation using the hashtags #MakeItFair and #MakeitFair4CAS – don’t forget to tag us @FPSE! |
|  | Did you know that you can vote at any district electoral office in the province from now until 4 p.m. (Pacific time) this Saturday October 24? Find out more, including locations near you, here: <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/where-to-vote/>  |

**Friday October 23**

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|  | This morning at 10am is the @CAUT Zoom social for contract academic staff. Join contract academic staff from coast to coast in an informal Zoom social to talk about working conditions for contract faculty, strategies for change, and of course to celebrate the work and contributions contract faculty make to our universities and colleges! <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMrc-murDsrH9JktPo-uT70bJ5v_ATrdK5->  |
|  | If you’re voting tomorrow, here’s a quick overview of the COVID-19 safety measures in place to keep all voters, election workers, and candidates safe. <https://elections.bc.ca/voting/voting-safely-and-covid-19/>  |

**Saturday October 24**

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|  | Have you watched In Search of Professor Precarious yet? Learn more about the issues facing contract faculty from this award-winning documentary! <https://www.fpse.ca/search-professor-precarious-oct-18-24>  |
|  | It’s General Voting Day in BC! Every election is an important opportunity for educators to take part in our democracy. When you vote, you have your say in determining the next provincial government. <https://fpse.ca/news/fpse-news/educators-vote-five-things-know-and-do-bc-election>  |

**Sunday October 25**

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|  | We’ve been proud to sponsor this film, and provide free streaming during Fair Employment Week. If you haven’t watched In Search of Professor Precarious yet, tune in today! Link expires at midnight. <https://www.fpse.ca/search-professor-precarious-oct-18-24>  |

**Monday October 26**

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|  | FPSE will post a news article announcing the election results on Facebook, and Twitter (when the results have been finalized). |
|  | Thanks to everyone who participated in Fair Employment Week! Let’s keep up the pressure for change until we #makeitfair for all. |