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UUP Academics Workload Survey—Bill Tusang, UUP Chapter President and Christina Trees, UUP VP Academics

A new survey was constructed by UUP Academics to gather information on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on workload, working conditions, and other aspects of Academics’ professional lives and work-life balance. The survey is intended for **all** UUP Academics, both part-time and full-time, contingent and non-contingent. It is fairly long and takes 20-30 minutes to complete, depending on the level of detail you choose to pro-

vide. The intent is for our chapter to use the survey to increase awareness and educate ourselves about ways to address workload problems, identify pressing issues that need attention, and develop initiatives for campus level change. While summary results may be shared with the campus administration through UUP’s Labor-Management discussions, individual responses will be viewed by UUP only.

You may respond anonymously or enter your contact information at the end of the survey.

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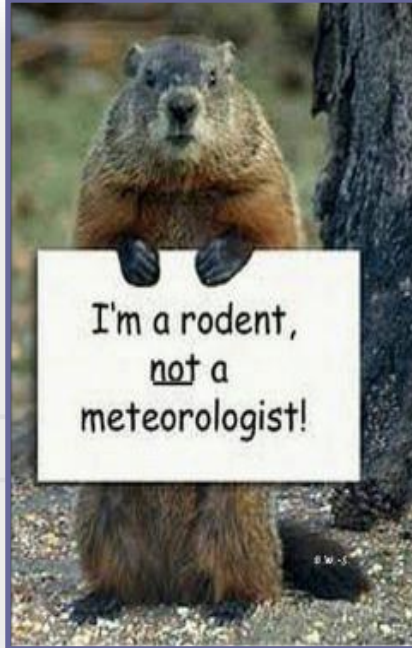
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the comments
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tacted by a UUP
officer for follow-
up.

If you have ques-
tions about the
survey, please
contact Christina
Trees, Chapter
Vice President of
Academics or Bill
Tusang, Chapter

President.

The survey will
remain open until
close of business
on Friday March
19th.

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Happy Groundhog Day

February 2, 2021

**Virtual 2021
Ex Board
Meetings**

Thursday, February 18
11:30 am—12:30 pm

Thursday, March 18
12:00 pm—1:00 pm

Thursday, April 15
12:30 pm—1:30 pm

Thursday, May 13
12:30 pm—1:30 pm





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Virtual Student Debt Clinics from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM via - March dates webinar.

Over 12 million people in the United States are struggling to make their monthly student loan payments, and millions more see economic and personal opportunities pass as they prioritize paying down their debt. Does this sound like you or someone you know?

Many of these people may qualify for free federal programs that can help reduce their monthly payments and eventually lead to student loan forgiveness, but these lifeline programs are significantly under-enrolled. In an effort to help our members get access to these programs, United University Professions and the American Federation of Teachers are proud to host a Student Debt Clinic which will provide information on how to enroll in Income-Driven Repayment plans and Public Service Loan Forgiveness.

We will be offering virtual Student Debt Clinics on the following dates:

**Wednesday, March 03, 2021
from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM via
webinar.**

**Wednesday, March 17, 2021
from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM via
webinar.**

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

To attend a Student Debt Clinic, you must pre-register here: <http://go.aft.org/StudentDebtClinicRSVP>. From the “student debt clinic” drop down menu, please select the UUP clinic that you are interested in attending – they are labeled “UUP [Virtual Student Debt Clinic] [date] [time].” In the affiliate field, type in the full name of our local (United University Professions), and it will autofill after a few keystrokes.

Registration is first come, first serve, and we must cap attendance for a single clinic at 75 participants in order to ensure that we are able to provide maximum assistance to attendees. Registration will close 48 hours prior to the virtual clinic. Webinar login information will be provided prior to the clinic to all who register. [If you can’t make one of these clinics, don’t worry – we’re planning on offering them every payday. If you want to help host a clinic at your worksite, please let us know!

We look forward to seeing you at the Student Debt Clinic and working together to find a collective solution to the problems of student debt and college affordability!

Register now!



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*News from the desk of
Dr. Frederick E. Kowal, President*

UUP Congressional Call-In & Other Actions: Pass Biden's Stimulus Package

Over the past couple of weeks, we have made thousands of contacts to our Congressional Members. We can't stop now! We must keep the pressure on. Join me and our coalition partners across the state for this urgent and easy action! We'll be making calls to our Congressional Members pushing for the adoption of President Biden's \$1.9 Trillion stimulus package.

We'll provide the phone numbers and the script; you provide the energy and commitment! Members can [Sign Up](#) for any shift, today through Friday, February 19 (multiple times available). If your chapter would like to host a shift, contact UUP's Strategic Campaigns and Mobilization Coordina-

tor, Richard Burton at rburton@uupmail.org.

If making phone calls is not for you, or you want to do more, take action by posting on social media. Using UUP's [Social Media Tool Kit](#) you can post directly to elected officials and/or encourage colleagues, friends, and family to join phone banks or even send letters. If you have not had a chance to send a letter yourself, you can do so by clicking [here](#).

It is critical to have our members **engage in all of these opportunities over the next few weeks.**

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Richard Burton at rburton@uupmail.org.

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