

Student organizations across the country release a joint publication on supporting students during and after COVID-19

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TORONTO, ON – After a year of unprecedented challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, ten student organizations across Canada have released *Shared Perspectives: A Joint Publication on Supporting Students During and After COVID-19.*

"I am proud to report that CSA has been working harmoniously with other student advocacy groups across the country to put together this document that outlines key issues that students are facing today," says CSA President, Tori Arnett. "This is an ongoing collaborative project that we are honored to be a part of."

This publication looks at how governments, institutions, and higher-education stakeholders can better support students and recent graduates as Canada responds to and recovers from COVID-19. Post-secondary students across Canada share their perspectives on issues facing the sector, including student mental health, quality of online learning, student financial aid, and support for marginalized students.

Shared Perspectives includes contributions from:

- the Alliance of BC Students (ABCS):
- the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA):
- the College Student Alliance (CSA):
- the Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS):
- the Manitoba Alliance of Post-Secondary Students (MAPSS):
- the New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA):
- the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA):
- Students Nova Scotia (StudentsNS):
- l'Union étudiante du Québec (UEQ): and
- the University of Prince Edward Island Student Union (UPEISU).

Shared Perspectives highlights the unique challenges post-secondary students have faced while navigating COVID-19 on both a national and provincial level. It draws upon students' experiences with remote learning and emphasizes the need for all students, across Canada, to have access to high-quality post-secondary education and receive the support they require to navigate the challenges of the pandemic. Students urge the federal and provincial governments to provide targeted supports to students and recent graduates so they can

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contribute to the long-term economic recovery of the country. Students and recent graduates will play an important role in Canada's economy and society post-pandemic, so federal and provincial governments must invest in them now.

Shared Perspectives: A Joint Publication on Supporting Students During and After COVID-19 is a joint report from ten partners, representing over 600,000 students. To view the full report, visit CSA's website at collegestudentalliance.ca.

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About College Student Alliance:

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