

Dear Colleagues and Learners,

Like many of you, I have been monitoring the situation in downtown Ottawa as it continues to unfold and affect the City.

Last week, the College issued a post over social media to encourage all of our learners and employees who may be adversely impacted by the situation to reach out. I want to reiterate and extend that message today - to ensure that the entire College community is aware that we understand that the circumstances downtown can be distressing for some and we are here to help.

Learners, including those on work placements, should contact their faculty/placement support officers regarding any issues they may be experiencing. I urge faculty to show understanding and compassion to learners whose ability to engage in their studies is being limited by the protests.

If any employee or learner needs support, or simply needs to connect, please see the list of resources [available at this link](#).

Thank you and stay safe,

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