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| **-  BARGAINING UPDATE #11 -****USW U of T Staff-appointed Unit**July 9th  Dear Staff-appointed Members, It was great to see so many members out to our bargaining town hall at the GMM on June 16, 2021.  There was a very lively discussion live and in the chat about what you and your co-workers want to change in the workplace. A lot of really important issues were raised about discrimination and unfairness in hiring practices, career advancement, job security and, of course, a work from home option! Don’t worry if you missed the session, read on to see how you can have your say on workplace issues. The presentation went over bargaining plans, our new bargaining timelines and a review of Bill 124. [**You can view the presentation here.**](https://usw1998.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9831487ef7acc8a9399134d82&id=718e4da288&e=8a487916a4) Do you need to know more about Bill 124? This FAQ is a great overview of Bill 124 and how it affects members at U of T.  The document captures a wide range of commonly asked questions and goes through it in an easy-to-understand format. [**Read it here.**](https://usw1998.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9831487ef7acc8a9399134d82&id=6be17f5b7e&e=8a487916a4)

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| **Bargaining Survey July 2021** Please take a moment to complete the Bargaining Survey below. It will help your Negotiating Committee gather important information on members’ needs and priorities. We want to know what YOUR priorities are for this round of bargaining. The survey will take about 20 minutes to complete. Information provided will be treated as anonymous. If you have any questions, please contact us at bargaining@usw1998.ca. The survey closes on **July 28, 2021.  [SURVEY LINK IS HERE.](https://usw1998.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9831487ef7acc8a9399134d82&id=e44b5fe745&e=8a487916a4" \t "_blank)**  By completing the survey, you can submit your email address to be eligible to enter into a draw for 1 of 5 $100 Visa gift cards. The Visa gift card entry draw link can be found at end of the Bargaining Survey.  |

 **Bargaining Discussion Circles**In addition to the surveys and town halls, we will be organizing smaller discussion groups through our various equity-seeking committees. We want to give our members a smaller, safer place to discuss their issues through a human rights and equity lens. The proposals and ideas coming out of these meetings will be sent to the bargaining committee.  Please watch the newsletter for more information and dates. If you would like to know more, or would like to organize one of these discussions on a particular topic or with a particular group, please contact Colleen Burke**.**  |

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