FAQs for International Students

1. When will the strike likely end?
   The University continues to work toward a resolution, including continued requests for binding arbitration however we cannot provide a definitive answer regarding an end.

2. When the strike ends, what will the University do to make up for the students’ lost time? How much longer will students need to stay to take the make-up classes and exams?
   The University has developed and made available to students a variety of options to complete their courses. Updated on this page regularly: http://labour.yorku.ca/faqs-for-students/
   When the strike ends, there will be a remediation period for students to make up the lost classes and final exams. The timing of this depends on the end of the strike but there are three and a half weeks of classes to be recovered + exams to complete the F/W and W terms. At this point, it takes us to May 20th but again, this would require a resolution within the next week. Be aware that there are options available that provide students with the possibility of completing courses without the remediation classes under specific conditions.

3. I have purchased return flight to their home country which is scheduled to take off in late April. Shall I change to another returning date? If so, what date would you suggest?
   If feasible to change without additional costs yes, we encourage students to extend their plans to remain here. We are recommending not leaving earlier than May 30th. However, if arrangements cannot be changed, the student should assess available options and pick according to the one that works for them.

4. If I were to drop courses and return home in late April, will these courses appear on my transcript? If yes, will these drops negatively affect the GPA and chances of applying for grad school? Also, will York provide full tuition refund?
   The drop deadline for courses that have continued to run has passed. For students who have already dropped, there is no academic penalty and nothing will appear on the transcript. For students in courses that were suspended, the drop date will be extended - again, with no academic penalty. At this time, the University is evaluating options regarding the financial impact on students and will provide an update as available.

5. If I were to stay and wait, will the residence and cafeteria be closed by the end of April?
   Students living in residence will be able to extend their stay at no additional cost. Food services remain available.

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