



Member Discounts & Affinity Programs

In addition to the services and advocacy provided through the provincial office of the FPSE, individual members of FPSE locals can get a number of benefits, primarily through our affiliation with the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) and the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC). Members are also entitled to apply for the Coast Rewards Program through Coast Hotels and Resorts.

A summary of these services is presented here:

CAUT's Affinity Programs

CAUT/MBNA Canada Mastercard Program

CAUT and MBNA Canada have partnered to offer a new Mastercard affinity program. For detailed information on these cards, go to (www.applyonlinenow.com/canada/caut).

CAUT Mortgage Program

Administered by The Mortgage Centre in Ottawa, this program offers competitive mortgage rates for FPSE members and faculty association staff. The program is a source of revenue for FPSE, local faculty associations (the referral fee is split 50/50 with the local association) and the J. H. Stewart Reid scholarship fund. When members access the service, lenders bid on their mortgage and offer their best rate and features, based on the specific needs or options requested. For information, call toll free 1-888-216-7770, ext. 227, or e-mail mtgcntrmetro@aol.com).

Life & Personal Accident Insurance

Administered by Kanatia Consulting Inc. of Ottawa (toll free 1-877-KANATIA), this program provides group life and accident insurance through Great-West Life Assurance. The plan provides level term insurance up to \$500,000 for those under age 61 and up to \$250,000 for those over age 61. Dependent children life insurance is also available up to \$15,000 per child. Personal Accident Insurance provides for up to \$150,000 coverage in the event of an accident.

Home, Auto, and Professional Property Insurance

CAUT has entered into an agreement with Johnson, Inc (phone 1-800-563-0677; Group ID Code U5) to provide a home and automobile insurance plan to its members. Members insuring their homes through Johnson, Inc. may purchase additional protection that will cover professional property such as books, computers, lab equipment, etc. owned by the member but used in the workplace. The coverage is all-risk, and extends to any location in Canada and the US.

Car Rental Discounts

CAUT has programs with the following companies, providing discounted rental rates for FPSE members:

- Avis
- Budget Rent-a-car (1-800-268-8900, quote CAUT's corporate account # A253000)
- Hertz (CAUT program number CDP#1158791)
- Thrifty

CAUT's Out of Country Reciprocity Agreements

FPSE members working temporarily in the U.S. are eligible for complimentary associate membership in AAUP (the American Association of University Professors). CAUT also has reciprocal agreements with the Association of University Teachers (U.K.), the National Tertiary Education Union (Australia), the Association of University Staff of New Zealand, and the Irish Federation of University Teachers.

Similar reciprocity is also being explored with national associations in Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden and France.

Faculty Exchanges

Many of our FPSE locals have Collective Agreement language on faculty exchanges within BC and beyond. Both national and international exchanges can be facilitated by CEEF, the Canadian Education Exchange Foundation (www.ceef.ca).

CLC Computer Purchase Program

FPSE members can access special discounts and financing on their computer purchases.

HP-Compaq discount

FPSE Members can obtain a 10% discount off "direct from manufacturer" prices on HP-Compaq Presario desktop computers, laptops, and printers, as well as a 5% discount on iPAQ handheld devices.

Laurentian Bank financing

This unionized outlet provides attractive financing for computer purchases made through this CLC program.

To order or for more information, please call HP Canada (toll free 1-877-562-2824) or refer to the following website: www.hp.ca/clccomputers

CAUS (Canadian Association of Union Services)

CAUS is a non-profit organization that has recently been established to represent the common interests and advance the well being of unions, associations and organizations across Canada. CAUS has retained **W.E. (Working Enterprises) Ltd.**, a BC union-owned and operated company, to develop and arrange for products and services to be made available to unions and their members.

The FPSE office and members from several Locals currently use **W.E. Travel** for business purposes. Individual FPSE members may also wish to do so for their personal travel and vacation needs (toll free 1-800-663-4703, website: www.wetravel.net).

Many of our members have obtained income tax preparation and independent financial planning from **W.E. Tax Services Ltd** (1-800-845-1181) (www.wegroup.ca). The fees for income tax returns are estimated to be 40% to 70% off competitors' rates.

Coast Hotels & Resorts

The Coast Rewards program recognizes and rewards members for their loyalty to Coast Hotels & Resorts and offers our most loyal guests an opportunity to earn points for every qualifying dollar spent. Members have the opportunity to redeem points for complimentary stays, upgrades, travel packages and valuable merchandise including certificates to national branded stores. An application is available online and additional forms are available at the front desk of our properties for any interested guest." (https://coastrewards.coasthotels.com/rewards_join.cfm)

Also, please be aware that under our continuing contract with the Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites, any FPSE member staying there (for business or pleasure) is eligible to receive the reduced rates that we have negotiated for 2006:

- Jan 1 - Apr 30; Oct 1 - Dec 31: \$115/room; \$155/1 bdrm suite
- May 1 - Sep 30: \$165/room; \$205/suite

These rates are accessible under our name (Federation of Post-Secondary Educators) through the Coast Hotels central reservation system at 1-800-663-1144, directly at 604-688-7711, or by email to plazares@coasthotels.com.