

## University, faculty reach tentative agreement

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Queen's and the Queen's University Faculty Association (QUFA) have negotiated a new collective agreement.

The tentative deal comes after four days of mediation that began August 11. Earlier today, the QUFA bargaining team met with its executive to review the university's offer.

"Congratulations and thanks to everyone at the bargaining table," says Principal Daniel Woolf. "I know these talks were very challenging - there were significant and complex issues at the table - and this outcome is the result of hard work and the parties' shared dedication to Queen's."

The tentative agreement is subject to ratification by QUFA members and the university's Board of Trustees. This is expected to take place over the next several days. Details of the agreement will be released after it has been ratified by both parties.

QUFA's last contract expired on April 30, 2011.

"The parties put a lot of effort into this agreement," said Dan Bradshaw, Associate Vice-Principal (Faculty Relations), who is the university's lead negotiator.

"We worked together to resolve the issues and can now focus on delivering the quality education that we are known for."

Six collective agreements have been successfully negotiated at Queen's this year.

Earlier this month, [the university and the campus' three locals of the Canadian Union of Public Employees \(CUPE\) reached tentative deals](#) that are subject to a ratification vote by CUPE members on August 18.

In June, [the university and the Ontario Nurses Association ratified a first contract](#) for the nurses in Queen's Family Health Team, and in May, [the university and the Public Service Alliance of Canada approved a first contract](#) for graduate teaching assistants and teaching fellows.

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