

A.U.C.E. Affiliation Bulletin 1

WHAT IS A.U.C.E.?

The Association of University and College Employees (A.U.C.E.) is a union representing clerical, technical, teaching support, and other workers. Founded in 1973, A.U.C.E. now represents workers at all three universities and at community colleges in British Columbia. We have a history of fighting for issues such as equal pay for work of equal value. In 1974 we won the first contract clause in Canada providing fully paid maternity leave.

WHY WE WANT TO BE IN THE CLC?

In 1979, our members decided to ask the CLC for affiliate status. This request has been consistently refused by the CLC executive on the grounds of overlapping jurisdiction. Our membership wants to join the CLC because they want to join with the majority of organised workers in Canada. We want to participate in the sharing of information, the development of policies, and the solidarity that comes through collective action.

Our members have chosen A.U.C.E. to represent them, and it is as A.U.C.E. that we want to affiliate to the CLC. In these times of deteriorating economic conditions and growing government attacks against unions, it is to the advantage of all of us that the CLC admit any genuine trade union that desires to join.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

For A.U.C.E. to be admitted to the CLC we will need your support. You can help by:

- Talking to other delegates about this issue.
- Raising motions supporting A.U.C.E.'s admission to the CLC at your union's caucus meetings.
- Supporting motions that will be coming to Convention to admit non-affiliates to the CLC.

If you want more information about A.U.C.E., representatives from A.U.C.E. will be attending the Convention. They will have more detailed information about A.U.C.E. its goals and objectives and about the kind of issues that A.U.C.E. has undertaken.

WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT A.U.C.E.'S ADMISSION TO THE CLC