

We, the undersigned employees of the Admissions Section of the Registrar's Office, wish to bring to the attention of AUCE Local 1, and the University the following with respect to our present working conditions:

- heat control inadequate; erratic and unpredictable; often very cold on warm days, stuffy on cold days; poor ventilation and recirculation of air; no natural ventilation due to lack of windows. Use of storage room as work space for up to 4 persons.
- noise control nonexistent; noise from office machines (typewriters, loud phones, photocopy machine, computer terminal) and personnel is intrusive to efficient work flow and well-being of employees; often difficult to hear telephone enquiries, confer with students at counter or with other personnel, or to concentrate on any level of work task due to noise intrusion.
- space between employees most inadequate; mobility hampered by large number of personnel concentrated in small area; mobility essential to carrying out work tasks; efficient work flow impossible with proximity of co-workers and lack of space between workers; unmanageable work areas and overcrowding.
- contravention of fire regulations; clear throughway to fire exits nonexistent.
- lack of floor space or work space to accommodate tremendous work loads
- telephone wiring and cables exposed on floor; inadequate protection in heavy traffic areas.
- lighting inadequate; harsh fluorescent; no natural lighting--no windows; full use of fixtures results in headaches, eyestrain; partial use of fixtures results in insufficient lighting for some.

(Confidential)
Sam Johnson
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cc of etc to
Ralph Robson



association of university and college employees

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Dear Mr. Robson:

Please accept this letter as a formal request from the Union that you inspect the Mimeo room on the 6th floor of the Buchanan Tower at the University of British Columbia. This room is immediately to your left when you step off the elevator.

We understand there is very poor ventilation in this room as well as a very high noise level.

We would appreciate a report upon completion of the inspection. Thank you.

Yours truly,

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