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Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities Announcement

On average, students in Canada graduate with over \$37,000 worth of government loans and private debt for a four-year undergraduate degree.

The Government of Ontario announced today that students are now able to pay off their student loans using Aeroplan miles. According to Reza Moridi, Ontario Minister of Training Colleges and Universities, "This new partnership will offer students and graduates another, innovative way to invest in themselves and their future".

APUS believes that the best way to address access to education is to tackle the upfront cost of education – tuition fees. Part-time students in particular are affected by the high upfront cost of education combined with a lack of funding opportunities. Aeroplan miles require students to have income they can spend on travel that they do not have to spend on their education in the first place.

If the Ontario Government is looking for partnerships and innovative ideas, we encourage them to work with us and with the Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario, to eliminate tuition fees and fully-fund education in the province of Ontario.

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Contact us to get involved with the Education Coalition:

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