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pen.”
The Law Faculty at the University of New Brunswick is expressing outrage over the violent attack and is rallying in support of their fellow student, said Dean Anne La Forest.

There are tentative plans for a safe walk for law students, a basket was sent as a get well gesture to Robbie and some faculty have been involved with speaking to the police.

La Forest expressed anger and disbelief at the assault but pointed out “the important thing is that we are here for Robbie.”

“The law school has been absolutely incredible,” said Peterson. “Especially the faculty. Their response to the situation has aided in the police investigation. It’s also made me feel a lot more secure in staying here.”

“If I didn’t have them, I would be gone. I would have left law school,” he said. “I have never lived in an environment where this kind of silence surrounding past issues - I’ve heard of things happening here in the past.”

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Tuition

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President Sean Junor says it’s unfortunate that students must be saddled with the burden.
“There’s an ingrained notion that every year tuition will go up,” he said. “It’s dangerous to think like that.” Many students are also concerned about the fact that their tuition could be tied to potential future earnings, says Junor. He points out that there is no way to determine what an individual will earn in the future. This point appears to have been taken well by university administration, as Atkinson admits that just because the average earning of graduates might be high, it does not mean that it would be true for any particular student in the program. The fight of students against differential tuition, however, is far from over. The U of S will be heading into its budget determination process for the next academic year, and the differential proposal will be raised again. Junor and the students’ union will be looking at the budget document at more length and advocating for student involvement in the budget process.
“It’s important for students to have a stance on all points,” said Junor. “We’re going to go a little bit deeper into the report.”

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Education will not be used as a negotiation tool, says Minister

By Chris Bodnar

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OTTAWA (CUP) - Minister for International Trade Pierre Pettigrew says education will not become a bargaining chip in the upcoming World Trade Organization summit in Seattle.

The comment contradicts a document Pettigrew released on Monday.

According to Monday’s document, the federal government was not going to protect education and health in the upcoming WTO talks.

The prospect of education being used as a negotiating tool at the Nov. 29-December 3 summit worried many people in the education sector. Government critics worry that by putting education on the negotiating table, the door would be open for the possible privatization of Canada’s education

system.
“Mr. Speaker, global corporations are itching to profit from Canada’s schools and hospitals,” said New Democratic Party Education Critic Libby Davies during question period on Tuesday. “The federal government is poised for the first time ever to put health and education on the WTO table.”

In response, Pettigrew said education would not be on the negotiating table.

“Let me be absolutely clear,” said Pettigrew, “our universal health care and public education are not subject to any international trade rules unless Canada accepts those rules. We did not accept them in the Uruguay round and we will not accept them in the next round.”

But critics were quick to point out that Pettigrew’s comments contradicted Monday’s document.

The document stated that neither education nor healthcare would be exempt from the WTO talks.

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