

## Filing for Unemployment Benefits for Part-Time Faculty

According to the court ruling known as the [Cervisi Decision \(1989\)](#), if part-time faculty has no reasonable assurance of employment because their status is considered temporary and contingent upon funding, enrollment, and program needs, then you can file for unemployment. For more on the *Cervisi* decision and to review a step-by-step guide to unemployment benefits, visit the [Community College Association](#).

For a comprehensive look at the process and what to expect when filing, check out the PowerPoint presentation, [Unemployment Benefits for Part-time Faculty](#).

Remember, that as a part-time, contingent, community college instructor, you have no guaranteed contract and there is no reasonable assurance of re-employment for the upcoming semester. A class may be taken away for a number of reasons that are not in your control, which makes you eligible for unemployment as soon as the semester ends.

For EDD instructions on how to file for unemployment or under-employment (if your hours are cut), go to the EDD information page [HERE](#).

For additional information on how to file for unemployment benefits, be sure to attend the Unemployment Workshops that are offered by your SOCCCD part-time Faculty Association reps toward the end of each semester. You can find upcoming workshop information on the Faculty Association's Part-time Faculty page on [www.socccdfa.net](http://www.socccdfa.net) While these workshops are usually offered at the district office location, they will be offered virtually until the end of the District-declared Covid emergency.