



GSOC-UAW LOCAL 2110
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The Union for Graduate Employees at New York University

Event: NYU Graduate Worker Union to Hold “WALK OF SHAME” on the Washington Square Campus to Protest Administration’s Neglect and Malfeasance; Tour Highlights Unjust Labor Practices, Broken Promises, Massive Job Cuts

Date/Time/ Location:

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015 @ 12:30pm

[Jerome S. Coles Sports Center](#) (181 Mercer Street, New York, NY 10012)

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On Wednesday, December 2 @ 12:30pm, the graduate worker union of NYU, [GSOC-UAW Local 2110](#), will lead a “Walk of Shame” to call attention to the 15+ grievable offenses, clawbacks, and unjust labor practices the university has perpetrated since the graduate workers contract went into full effect in early September. GSOC-UAW Local 2110 is joining forces with undergraduate allies ([Student Labor Action Movement](#) and [NYU Divest](#)), faculty allies ([NYU Faculty Against the Sexton Plan](#)), and fellow unions on campus ([UCATS-AFT Local 3882](#)) to rally against endemic bad governance of NYU.

Examples of the school’s neglect and malfeasance include: late pay for hours worked on the job and training sessions, delayed retroactive pay for hundreds of workers, botched healthcare refunds for roughly 1,000 workers originally promised as subsidies, several-month delays in providing healthcare benefits, failure to waive nearly \$200,000 in fees for workers, and massive job cuts to majority international populations of grad workers who are ineligible to work elsewhere and whom NYU did not want to pay a living wage.

The dissident tour of NYU’s Washington Square campus will begin at 12:30pm on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the Jerome S. Coles Sports Center at 181 Mercer Street. Coles was a site of massive job loss for graduate workers from the Tandon (formerly Polytechnic) School of Engineering, which has a largely international student population ineligible to work off-campus. The gym is slated for demolition in January without a suitable replacement, despite university promises. The tour group will then travel to Steinhardt School where many of the pay-, fee-, and benefits-related grievances are centered. The Steinhardt stop will highlight the multi-level mismanagement, long-standing gender inequities, and second-class status within NYU. The Walk of Shame will move last to Bobst Library in solidarity with the library workers of UCATS-AFT Local 3882, whose contract NYU unilaterally changed without offering bargaining, in violation of a court order. We will conclude in Bobst with a parody

sketch of outgoing NYU President John Sexton crumpling under the weight of pent-up graduate worker grievances.

GSOC Steward and NYU Tandon School of Engineering graduate worker Parth Singh says, “As an international student I rely on the university to hold up its end of the bargain and carry out the provisions of our contract in good faith and with precision. Instead we have seen late responses and bureaucratic dilly dallying, and this year NYU has sunk to new lows through mismanagement and willful inaction. I will walk to make sure this treatment does not continue.”

GSOC-UAW Local 2110 demands NYU’s administration respect their contractual obligations, resolve grievances fairly, and reinstate graduate worker jobs.

Your coverage is welcome.