

Dear Graduate Employees:

You are cordially invited to the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Coalition of Graduate Employee Unions (CGEU) conference and the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Canadian Coalition of Graduate Employees Unions conference. The conference will be held at New York University, hosted by GSOC/UAW Local 2110, on August 11-14, 2011.

The C/CGEU was formed to support the organization of new graduate employee unions; to strengthen established unions; and to provide a forum for graduate employee unionists to meet, share information and work together toward common goals. The annual conference features workshops on organizing, leadership development, negotiation strategies and member mobilization.

At this year's conference, themed "Mobilize to Organize," we'll also work together to address how to best fight against pervasive attacks on collective bargaining and higher education.

Workshops and Working Groups will include topics like:

- Reports from Wisconsin and Ohio
- Creative Actions
- Private Sector Organizing
- How to Run a Contract or Advocacy Campaign
- Coalition Building on and off Campus
- Academic Freedom, Privatization and the Restructuring of Academic Labor
- Organizing Research Assistants
- Organizing Post-docs
- How to Do Strategic Research
- Using Social Media
- Thinking Through and Comparing Contracts
- Understanding the Canadian and U.S. Bargaining Contexts
- Moving Forward: Building a C/CGEU Message

Please join us in New York City this August. To register for the conference, please fill out and send in the attached registration form. For early discounted registration, please return the form to us no later than July 11, 2011. Further instructions are provided on the form itself.

For more information, please visit our website:  
[http://cgeu.org/wiki/index.php/CGEU\\_Conference](http://cgeu.org/wiki/index.php/CGEU_Conference).

In Solidarity,

GSOC/UAW-Local 2110, The union for graduate employees at New York University