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MAY 3RD, 2022: RALLY TO DEMAND FAIR WAGES AND ELIMINATION OF GRADUATE STUDENT FEES AT CSU

WHAT: On May 3rd of 2022, the CSU Board of Governors and President Joyce McConnell are meeting to discuss budget priorities for the upcoming year. The Graduate Workers Organizing Cooperative (GWOC) and the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) are holding a rally during the meeting to demand that the needs of CSU workers, especially those who are grossly underpaid, be prioritized during budgeting.

WHO: Participants include faculty, staff, students, and anyone who supports fair and equitable wages at Colorado State University

WHEN: May 3rd, 2022 noon-1pm

WHERE: CSU Administration Building, 900 Oval Drive, Fort Collins, Colorado

WHY: Graduate workers, non tenure-track faculty, many tenure-track faculty, and staff are not paid a sustainable wage. This flies in the face of the stated educational mission of our university, as well as the administration's assertion that "Rams Take Care of Rams." Most of our non-tenure track faculty make \$15,000 less than the national average for instructors and lecturers. Per the Graduate School's own research, graduate workers at CSU pay higher fees than at any other peer university, and also receive a lower than average minimum monthly stipend.

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The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) is a nonprofit association of faculty and other academic professionals that has helped shape American higher education and seeks to protect shared governance and academic freedom. To learn more, visit aaupcsu.org or email anders.fremstad@colostate.edu.

The Graduate Workers Organizing Cooperative (GWOC) is an independent, worker-run organization advocating for all graduate workers at CSU. To learn more, visit our website at csugradworkers.org, find us on social media at @CSUGradWorkers, or email us at colostate.gradworkers@gmail.com.

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