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GEU October Newsletter

## News & updates from your Union



October 2022

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### The GEU in Action!

*We're working hard to get you paid!*

Many graduate assistants were not paid in September due to an issue in the MSU HR department who claims that the delay in pay occurred because these students' appointments were processed late. However, *as graduate students we are not responsible for submitting our appointments and we have no power in the process.* Why must we suffer the consequences of this negligence!? For first year students who may have little or no savings missing a paycheck may be catastrophic, yet the administration has been slow to react.

The GEU swiftly filed a grievance on behalf of several departments and met with affected members. So far, we have resolved the issue for the Chemistry department and hope more departments will follow.

We have the chance to rectify this kind of negligence in the 2023 - 2027 contract by demanding ***all late payments be refunded with interest.*** The administration will oppose us on this issue and we must be united to achieve this. The GEU needs engaged members during this crucial bargaining cycle. MSU only works because we do!!

**Our First General Membership Meeting is this Friday at 5:00 PM EST!**

Attend in person at Wells Hall room B122 or join the zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82255904291>. If possible, **please RSVP using the button below.** *Food and childcare reimbursement will be provided to folks that attend in person!* We're holding a special election for the President and Vice President roles and discussing bargaining priorities for the academic year. It would be great to have attendees from all departments!

RSVP HERE!

*From our Vice President of Contract, Negotiations, and Enforcement, Cheyenne:*

**Are you a TA this semester? Are you still waiting to be paid? Has the university not given you answers? Please fill out this survey!**

*The GEU doesn't just negotiate your contract, we also work to uphold it. Member Defense is responsible for researching grievances, and works to protect graduate students whether the contract is officially violated or not.*

## **Join the Member Defense Committee!**

Member Defense holds bi-weekly meetings on Thursdays at 11 A.M. Join in person at the GEU office or on Zoom.

Email [vpcne@geuatmsu.org](mailto:vpcne@geuatmsu.org) to get started!








Meeting dates include:

October 13th & 27th

November 10th

December 1st

Questions about your appointment type?

		
<b>ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP</b>	OR	<b>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP</b>
RAs, Fellows, GAs		TAs
\$40/year		dues are 1.6% of your gross pay
right to vote on leadership & issues, attend union meetings		same as associates + <u>votes to ratify contracts with MSU</u>
access to GEU resources		access to GEU resources
 GEU cannot file grievances on your behalf		GEU can file grievances on your behalf 
	<a href="https://geuatmsu.org/contact-us/">HTTPS://GEUATMSU.ORG/CONTACT-US/</a>	

Please also see our more thorough [explanation of different appointment types](#).

## Let's get social!

Meet your Union!

Have fun with your Union!

Join your Union!

Join us for happy hour  
and trivia at [The Ave](#) on  
alternate Thursdays  
starting at 7:30 PM!

Dates include 10/13,  
10/27, 11/10, 12/1

Check us out on  
[Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)

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