

Public Comment for the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, March 3, 2022

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Meeting: Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee

Meeting Date: March 3, 2022

Agenda Item: Graduate Assistantships and Stipends

In Favor / Opposed / Other: In Favor

Comment:

Graduate assistants in my Ph.D. program are expected to teach – and be instructor of record – for 2 classes every semester on top of being a full-time graduate student. UNLV GAs are specifically banned from working more than 10 hours a week at a job outside of their GAship, so our stipend should pay for at least 75% of our expenses. Instead, GAs who live alone or with dependents qualify for SNAP in Nevada, indicating that \$15,000-\$16,700 is considered a very low wage by Nevada's standards. Graduate assistants should be paid livable wages that takes Las Vegas' cost of living into account.

Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes

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