

Dear Tamara Trojanowska,

On 4 December 2020, the graduate student educators (Teaching Assistants, Course Instructors, Invigilators) of the Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies held our first meeting for the 2020/2021 Unit 1 bargaining session. At this meeting we unanimously voted to endorse the following letter and formally request that the chair of the CDTPS acknowledge receipt and endorse the following statement:

The chair of The Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies acknowledges that Unit 1 of CUPE 3902 (Teaching Assistants, Course Instructors, and Invigilators) is beginning its bargaining process with the University of Toronto. CUPE 3902's main priorities for this round of bargaining are to improve workload standards, foster inclusion and anti-oppression at U of T, increase compensation and job security, and promote (mental) health and safety. As chair of the Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies, I support our graduate students/CUPE3902's attempt to demand a fair, safe, and just workplace at the University of Toronto.

The graduate student educators of the Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies greatly appreciate the support that CDTPS faculty have given to graduate students in the past. Once again, we believe the University of Toronto Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies can lead by example by advocating for an equitable university.

Best wishes,

The Graduate Student Educators of CDTPS