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You're invited to HELU's Founding Convention

May 17-19, 2024 in New Brunswick, NJ and online

[HELU's Founding Convention](#) will solidify HELU's organizational structure and plans for the short- and long-term. Voting at the convention is limited to delegates of HELU [member organizations](#). Educational and plenary sessions will be open to the general public with advance registration. There is no cost to attend.

At the convention, we will elect an official steering committee and officers, vote on HELU's drafted constitution and bylaws, populate our committees and define our campaigns.

A draft [agenda is available on our website](#) and will be updated as we get more details settled.

We look forward to meeting many of you in person in New Brunswick and online in May!

[Learn more and register](#)

HELU in the News

- "[Higher Ed Workers Seek to Coordinate Nationally](#)" Inside Higher Ed

Solidarity Asks

- [Donate to BU grad workers' strike fund](#)
- [Support TRU-UE Local 197's strike fund](#)
- [Solidarity Ask from UCW Alabama: Give Jacksonville State Workers a Living Wage](#)
- [Academic Freedom Under Attack in Texas: Sign the open letter in support of Jairo Fúnez-Flores](#)
- [Protect Free Speech and Shared Governance at Arizona's Public Universities](#)
- [Portland State University faces cuts; Send letters to support PSU-AAUP workers](#)

HELU Solidarity Asks come from higher education labor organizations looking to build solidarity with workers on a larger national or regional basis, to drive participation in a particular action or campaign that supports higher ed workers. This can include (but is not limited to) contributing to strike funds, writing letters to policy-makers, signing petitions, participation in virtual or in-person actions, and more. To submit a solidarity ask, please [complete the form here](#).

Welcome our newest HELU member organizations:

- [United Campus Workers of Arizona \(UCW-CWA 7065\)](#)
- [United Campus Workers of Mississippi \(UCW-CWA Local 3565\)](#)
- [University Council – American Federation of Teachers \(UC-AFT Local 1474\)](#)

[Visit our website](#) for more information about what it means for a local organization to formally join HELU.

We're growing – get involved!

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- If your union has not yet formally joined HELU as a member and is interested in getting more involved, [contact us](#).
- If you are an individual whose union isn't a HELU member organization, [sign up for individual membership today](#).
- Want to attend a meeting or join a committee? Email us at info@higheredlaborunited.org.



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