

Ballot of GSOC Resolution on BDS

Should GSOC-UAW Local 2110 join the global movement for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS), until Israel complies with international law and ends the military occupation, dismantles the wall, recognizes the rights of Palestinian citizens to full equality, and respects the right of return of Palestinian refugees and exiles?

With the passing of this resolution, GSOC-UAW Local 2110 will join the BDS movement by:

1. Calling on NYU and UAW international to divest their investments, including pension funds, from Israeli state institutions and international companies complicit in the ongoing violation of Palestinian human and civil rights.
2. Calling on NYU and UAW international to decline to conduct business with said institutions and companies in the future.
3. Calling on NYU to close its program in Tel Aviv University, which continues to violate the NYU Non-Discrimination policy.¹

YES

NO

We also give members the opportunity to make a voluntary and non-binding individual commitment to participate in the academic boycott, which targets Israeli government and academic institutions complicit in Israeli violation of Palestinian rights:

I will personally adhere to the academic boycott, by refusing to take part in any research, conferences, events, exchange programs, publications or other activities that are sponsored by or require official affiliation with the Israeli government or Israeli academic institutions. In accordance with BDS guidelines, this academic boycott does not target individuals of any background, but only institutions based on their conduct complicit in the violation of Palestinian rights.

This resolution opposes all forms of discrimination on grounds of race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender and sexual orientation and identity, and is unequivocally committed to the principles of academic freedom for all members of the NYU community. This proposal does not seek to restrict the employment opportunities of individual academics or UAW members. It should not be interpreted or applied to seek to influence the hiring or other employment decisions of the University. This resolution will not in any way limit or affect the representative functions of the Union including, without limitation, which grievances we pursue, our position on tenure disputes, etc.

YES

NO

¹ Available here: <http://www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/non-discrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy-and-complaint-proc.html>