

Candidate Statement for Treasurer of the United Faculty of Eastern
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When I started at Eastern 16 years ago, I was very happy to be able to join a union for the first time in my life. Back then, I believed that unions were the best way to ensure fair working conditions, and the past 16 years have only strengthened that belief. I have served on 10 different Fac Org or university committees and task forces, so I have a solid understanding of the issues and concerns across the university.

If elected UFE Treasurer, I pledge: to communicate as transparently as possible the UFE's finances; to work collaboratively with the UFE Executive Board and the membership to strengthen our union; to work in solidarity with the other EWU unions; to communicate with and learn from the treasurers of the other faculty unions in Washington State, as well as inform the membership of national trends and issues; and above all, to listen to, respect, and advocate for all faculty.

While having institutional memory is helpful, we need to ensure that the UFE leadership is diverse and inclusive, and it is seen as an organization committed to growing new leaders on campus. I hope to be a part in building this future for our union.