

UCU NEC elections: Vote Graham Mustin for North East NEC member (Further Education)

BUILD THE RESISTANCE, DEFEND EDUCATION

I have been an active member of NATFHE and UCU since joining the profession in 1981. I am currently joint Branch Secretary of Barnsley College UCU. I have represented the branch at UCU Congress and FE Sector conference and am branch representative at Yorkshire and Humberside region. I am Vice-Chair of Yorkshire and Humberside region.

I am currently employed at Barnsley College as Tutorial Team Leader in the department of Catering Hospitality and Tourism. Previously I taught A level History at the college.

Defend Further Education

Further education in this country is under attack from a government that hates the public sector and is determined to force through austerity and principals only interested in the bottom line. UCU must continue to be in the forefront of those campaigning to defend high quality education and training for all our students.

Build the resistance to attacks on pensions, jobs and conditions

I am proud of the role that UCU has played in building the fight back against attacks on our pensions.



November 30th was a magnificent example of solidarity and we need to be taking the lead in calling for further action.

We also need to resist all attempts to force through redundancies and undermine our terms and conditions. If elected I would press for the widest possible support for colleges taking action.

I know from our recent experience in Barnsley College, where a robust campaign of industrial action prevented my compulsory redundancy, how important support and solidarity are in encouraging members to take effective action. We need to spread the message that determined action can win.

Building a democratic and effective union

Our membership has continued to grow over the past few years wherever lecturers and others see the union standing up strongly for its members but UCU needs to recruit more members and make members into active trade unionists.

As a member of UCU Left I believe that strong branches are the key to building a strong union. And as Vice-Chair of Yorkshire and Humberside region I also believe that regions can play an important role in co-ordinating action and supporting weaker branches.

To be as effective as possible the UCU must be a democratic union responsive to the grassroots.

This means an NEC that is accountable to the membership. If elected I will report back regularly from NEC meetings and make myself available to speak to branches if requested.

Please vote for Mark Campbell for General Secretary and for myself and Umit Yildiz for the North East FE seats.

**Vote Graham Mustin 1;
Umit Yildiz, 2**

Elections
run from
6 February
to 1 March

We recommend a vote for these UCU Left candidates in the elections

Voting advice for National

General Secretary

Mark Campbell
London Metropolitan University

Vice President FE

Angie McConnell
Wigan & Leigh College

N. Ireland HE

Brian Kelly
Queens University Belfast

North East HE

Elizabeth Lawrence
Sheffield Hallam University
Gavin Reid
University of Leeds

Veronica Killen
Northumbria University

North East FE

Graham Mustin
Barnsley College
Umit Yildiz
Bradford College

London & the East HE

Mark Campbell
London Metropolitan University
Jane Hardy
University of Hertfordshire
Jim Wolfreys
Kings College London

London & the East FE

Mandy Brown
Lambeth College

Sean Vernell
City & Islington College

Wales HE

Liza van Zyl
Cardiff University

North West FE

Darren Bradshaw
Blackpool & the Fylde College

UK-elected members HE

Jane Hardy
University of Hertfordshire
Lesley McGorrigan
University of Leeds
Jelena Timotijevic
University of Brighton

UK-elected members FE

Steven Boyce
A4E Prisons Branch
Richard McEwan
Tower Hamlets College
Jenny Sutton
College of Haringey, Enfield & North East London
Umit Yildiz
Bradford College

Representatives of women members HE

Marion Hersh
University of Glasgow

Representatives of women members FE

Alison Lord
Tower Hamlets College
Jenny Sutton
College of Haringey, Enfield & North East London

Seats for casually employed members FE

Regine Pilling
Westminster Kingsway College

UCU Trustee

Alan Whitaker
Oxford & Cherwell Valley College

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To maximise votes for progressive candidates we ask you to do the following:

- Please use your votes to **first endorse all UCU Left candidates** and only after that use lower preferences for other progressive candidates in each relevant list
- Give your highest preferences in the UK-Elected list to UCU Left candidate(s) **from your region**

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