

# UCU NEC elections: Vote Darren Bradshaw for North West (Further Education)

## DEFEND PENSIONS, DEFEND EDUCATION

**O**ver the last year members have shown how collective action can win. In Further Education we have won important victories over Institute for Learning membership and over Adult Funding.

We have also seen how UCU's defence of our pension, in unity with other unions, has been enormously popular amongst members with record recruitment to UCU.

We, however, face more attacks as the government attempts to drive the market and privatisation further and further into education under the cover of austerity.

I am standing as a member of UCU Left who believes 'another education is possible'. The fight over pensions, job losses and workload must be linked to the struggle to defend education.

### Deprived

The North West is one of the most deprived regions of the United Kingdom and we see first hand the effects of education cuts on our young people – the cuts to EMA has meant that many students can no longer access college and have been left to rot on the dole.

We need representatives who are prepared to organise members to rise



to this challenge. I am committed to a democratic, member-led union and will:

- Campaign on behalf of all members and work hard for those that are on part-time and casual contracts as well as permanent staff
- Build solidarity and support for branches fighting redundancies, victimisations and bullying and harassment
- Campaign for a union led by its grassroots members and that has democratic structures that work from the bottom up through branches, regions and Congress

- Seek to build unity with other trade unionists, anti-cuts campaigners and communities to organise the most effective fight against the government's cuts and privatisation agenda

**Elections run from 6 February to 1 March**

- Oppose oppression of all kinds and ensure that equality work is central to the union.

### Biographical information including service to the union

- 1989-1993 Branch Representative Communication Workers Union (Foreign Section)
- 2003-04 Membership Secretary NATFHE Croydon College Branch
- 2004-06 Branch Chair NATFHE Croydon College Branch
- 2006-08 Branch Secretary UCU Croydon College Branch
- 2006-08 delegate London Regional Council
- 2010-11 Union Learning Representative UCU Blackpool and the Fylde College Branch
- 2010-present Branch Delegate Blackpool and the Fylde Trades Council
- 2010-11 Branch Chair UCU Blackpool and the Fylde College
- I am a lecturer at Blackpool and the Fylde College

## UCU Left recommends a vote for these 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

### STV VOTING SYSTEM

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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