

# UCU NEC elections: Vote Margot Hill

For UK-elected Further Education representative

Election runs from 1 to 26 February

# Fight for our colleges – defend education

I have worked as a lecturer at Croydon College since 2007. My experience is one that is shared by many of you: relentless pressure to drive down terms and conditions of employment, fundamental attacks on the quality and professionalism of education, staff working over hours to try and cope with spiralling workloads, and impossible deadlines.

We now face a blizzard of funding attacks and area reviews that could see hundreds of colleges closed or merged at the expense of learner need.

As a supporter of UCU Left I believe it is urgent that UCU should be fighting hard for the future of our colleges to ensure they remain rooted at the heart of our communities and helping to transform people's lives.

I have served as an elected NEC member for one term. During that time I have argued and campaigned for:

- Full support for branches when they take on employers including working to co-ordinate and spread support for action
- Opposition to the extension of anti-trade union legislation such as the Tory Trade Union bill and full support for those who resist its implementation



- Strong regional structures that can bring branches and members together across both FE and HE to co-ordinate campaigns and actions and build solidarity
- Re-launch and re-invigorate political campaigning for quality publicly funded free education
- No Zero Hours contracts, campaign to stop substitution of permanent posts with variable and sessional contracts.
- Stop creeping introduction of performance related pay, for national pay awards above the rate of inflation and against cuts in pension provision.

- An end to punitive observation regimes and restoration of professional status for teachers through meaningful CPD developed by lecturers for lecturers.

Since its inception UCU has been an important influence within the trade union movement taking a lead to defend jobs, pay and pensions and educational provision more widely.

Our members stand between the Tory attacks on education and the right to a free quality education service. The NEC must offer a lead to this fight. I would like your support to continue to represent you and campaign on these issues.

**Vote Margot Hill 1,  
Sarah Foster 2,  
Allister Mactaggart 3**

## STV voting system

Please note that all members can vote in the elections for Equality, Casually Employed members' and Trustees seats

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**

## UCU Left is supporting the following candidates in the NEC elections

**Vice-president FE**  
Mandy Brown

**London & the East HE**  
Sean Wallis, Ioanna Ioannou, Rachel Cohen, Mark Campbell

**London & the East FE**  
Sean Vernell, Julia Foster

**North East FE**  
Lee Short

**UK-elected FE**  
Margot Hill, Sarah Foster, Allister Mactaggart

**UK-elected HE**  
Mark Campbell, Pura Ariza, Julie Hearn

**Women members FE**  
Rhiannon Lockley, Elaine White

**Women members HE**  
Sue Abbott, Saira Weiner

**Black members**  
Dawn Livingston

**FE members (casual vacancy)**  
Elaine White

**For a lay leadership that will:**

- Fight to defend post-16 education
- Defend members' pensions, pay and conditions
- Respect democratic mandates
- Seek to build a campaigning, member-led union

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