

# VOTE UCU LEFT - For a campaigning, member-led union

## Carlo Morelli for Honorary Secretary UCU Scotland

Dundee University is at the centre of the storm over the funding of higher education in Scotland. We have successfully balloted for industrial action to save 100s of jobs due to a projected £30m deficit. As a UCU member and as current Honorary Secretary for UCU Scotland I understand the need to ensure branches fight redundancies and cuts and ensure UCU Scotland gives its full backing to branches resisting cuts.

**Half of UK universities are cutting jobs, including many in Scotland.** The existence of the sector is under threat. Marketisation in Scotland is driven by managements who share the group think of forcing debt via maintenance loans for home students and exploiting international and UK students' tuition fees. The racist 'hostile environment' is being used to undermine the University sector.

**Attempts to leave branches to fight these cuts institution by institution weakens us.** We need a UK-wide and Scottish-wide campaign to save HE, against job cuts and end the racist environment. Unity is our strength. Unity can build a campaign to drive the market out of education.

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As Hon. Secretary for UCU Scotland I made the case for a lobby of the Scottish Government and encouraging branches to ballot for industrial action when facing job cuts.

**Trump, Farage and the rise of fascism in Europe means we must place anti-racism central to our union and workplaces.** Racism is designed to scapegoat minorities and divert attention from where the problems in our society originate. No immigrant is illegal, and universities should stop policing immigration through draconian monitoring and reporting on students and staff.

I have been a supporter of the Sheku Bayoh campaign since the start and stand up for students facing racism



**I was a USS negotiator during the 2018-19 strike. Five years of strike action shows we can win.** I'm currently leading the campaign in the USS Advisory Cttee to ensure cohabiting people qualify for automatic survivor pensions. I will continue to focus on threats to the Scottish TPS and USS. I support our union's policy on decarbonising and decolonising our pension schemes.

Equality continues to be under attack. I'm committed to ensuring equality remains central to UCU Scotland. I will always support members standing up for trans-rights. I hold strongly to the social model of disability - it is society that creates structures for disadvantage and oppression not our bodies.

UCU Scotland should continue its work with and solidarity with HE in Palestine.

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