

University of Liverpool UCU Strike Action

University of Liverpool UCU are taking a new round of strike action in opposition to planned redundancies in the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences. After sustained strike action, a marking and assessment boycott and attempts to resolve the dispute through negotiations, the original list of 47 redundancies now stands at 2 UCU members facing the prospect of compulsory redundancy. There is no financial necessity for these redundancies to be made; they are the consequence of a management vanity project.

Flawed Criteria

The method that has been used to select people for redundancy is a 'rank and yank' scheme, similar to those that have been used by employers like Amazon. Management have applied a set of performance targets that staff were not previously made aware of. Those targets are set at a level that could not be reached by the vast majority of staff in universities across the Russell Group.

Global Boycott

In addition to sustained industrial action from members at Liverpool, UCU has called for a global academic boycott of the University of Liverpool in support of the campaign. The campaign is also fully supported by the Guild Officers at the Liverpool Guild of Students who oppose the senseless dismissals of staff.

How You Can Help

Please do all you can to support us in this campaign.

- Write to the University of Liverpool Vice Chancellor Janet Beer: jbeer@liverpool.ac.uk
- Write to the Branch as an individual, or from your organisation, with a message of support: lucu@liverpool.ac.uk
- Donate to the branch strike fund to ensure we are able to continue the strike action for as long as it takes.
- Attend our online rally at midday on Friday 6th August.
- Attend our on-campus rally at midday on Monday 9th August.