

4 December 2020

UCU Scotland

To	UCU Scotland branch and local association secretaries
Topic	UCU Scotland elections 2020: call for nominations for the position of Vice President, UCU Scotland
Action	Draw to the attention of members the current call for nominations
Summary	Nominations for the position of UCU Vice President are now open. Deadline for nominations: 4.00pm, Wednesday 6 January 2021
Contact	Nicola McGowan, Scotland Administrator Email: nmcgowan@ucu.org.uk

Dear Colleagues

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: UCU SCOTLAND VICE-PRESIDENT

No nominations were received for the position of Vice President of UCU Scotland during the nomination period which ended on 17 November 2020. This circular is the formal notice that a new nomination period will run from 4 December 2020 to 16:00 on 6 January 2021 for the vacancy of Vice President, UCU Scotland.

This term of office will run from the close of UCU's national Congress meeting on 31 May, 2021, and is for a term of two years.

Nomination forms and related information are available at <https://www.ucu.org.uk/ucus-elections> or on request from Nicola McGowan, UCU Scotland office - nmcgowan@ucu.org.uk

- The deadline for receipt of nominations for the vacancies in this election notice is **4:00pm on Wednesday, 6 January 2021**, including the receipt of all supporting information. Nominations should be made on the appropriate form and should be formally addressed to the Honorary Secretary of UCU Scotland and sent to: Nicola McGowan at nmcgowan@ucu.org.uk . Receipt of all nominations will be acknowledged.
- All candidates who submit their completed nomination not less than ten working days before the closing date for nominations, shall be informed, not less than five working days before the closing date for nominations, whether there is any defect in their nomination, including any discrepancy in the membership standing of persons providing supporting signatures.
- The date on which this notice will be regarded as having been issued to members is 4 December 2020. Any person not in membership of UCU Scotland on 4 December 2020 is not eligible for nomination to the positions described in this notice.

Support required for UCU Scotland Officer and Executive Committee nominations

Nominations to these positions must be supported by:

- a. the signed consent of the candidate;
- b. a statement confirming the position to which the candidate wishes to stand;
- c. either (i) the identifiable signatures of ten members of UCU Scotland who are entitled to vote in any ballot held to fill that position, not more than five of whom may be from the same branch/local association, or (ii) a statement signed by the Presiding Officer or Honorary Secretary of a local association or branch that the nomination has been adopted by a resolution at a quorate general meeting of that branch/local association;
- d a statement confirming that, at the time of nomination, the candidate is in qualifying employment, under UCU Rule 3.1.1, or has been in qualifying employment within the preceding 6 months, unless a pattern of casualised work in the post-16 sector can be proven within the preceding 24 months, with proof of such qualifying employment provided, normally in the form of a payslip dated within the preceding 6 months, or as otherwise determined by the returning officer

Any ballots held as a result of this call for nominations will be held from 29 January – 2 March 2021. The deadline for the submission of election addresses for any such elections will be 4.00pm on Wednesday, 6 January.

For these elections, the independent scrutineer appointed by the University and College Union for the purposes described in Section 49 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (as amended) is Civica Election Services, 33 Clarendon Road, London N8 0NW.

The full text of this notice plus nomination forms and related information can be found at <https://www.ucu.org.uk/ucus-elections> **Branches and local associations are asked to publicise these vacancies as widely as possible.** To be sent information in hard copy, including large print or other formats, or for further information about these elections, contact Nicola McGowan (nmcgowan@ucu.org.uk) Due to limited staff presence in UCU offices during the coronavirus pandemic, please make any request for hard copies of materials at the earliest opportunity.

Yours faithfully

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UCU Scotland Honorary Secretary and returning officer