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|  | |  | | --- | | Dear colleague  In this week’s campaign update:  **Two year degrees risk to UK’s reputation** [Plans to introduce two year degrees](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/16724/151504/3671/1/) costing up to £14,000 per year could damage our universities’ global reputation, allow more for-profit colleges and place a huge burden on staff. [More information and our response to the proposals here](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/16724/151504/3672/2/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VUNVIGNhbXBhaWducyB1cGRhdGU6IDI0IEZlYnJ1YXJ5IDIwMTc%3d&x=30ba08cf).  **Further education investment – last chance to sign our letter** UCU general secretary Sally Hunt [repeated our call for more investment in further education (FE) in The Guardian this week](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/16724/151504/3648/3/), following news that another university technical college is to close. [Please sign our letter which is being presented to the skills minister next week.](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/16724/151504/3338/4/)  [See here for full update including:](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/16724/151504/3673/5/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VUNVIGNhbXBhaWducyB1cGRhdGU6IDI0IEZlYnJ1YXJ5IDIwMTc%3d&x=4ea980b8)   * In the news * Support the National Student Survey boycott * Your vote, your voice, your union: UCU election * Save our NHS: demonstrate against cuts, closures and privatisation * Work your proper hours day * Education key to prisons crisis * College of North West London strike for sacked rep Sen * Giulio Regeni, Cambridge student murdered in Egypt * Academic-related, professional staff meeting, 1 March * UCU women activists’ event – equal pay and the gender pay gap   Best wishes  Ed Bailey UCU acting head of campaigns | |