

# VOTE JAMIE WOODCOCK

## #1 for Block of 15

### A union for the 99%

We should not pay the price for the bankers' and bosses' crisis. We must defy their austerity agenda with strikes, walkouts and occupations.

As our education is being sold off and privatized, our national union needs a NEC that will fight against the Tories' attacks and at the same time fight for an alternative vision of society.

Thus, I will strive to organize a national demonstration in the autumn term and build stronger relations with the UCU so we can fight together to put students and staff before profits.

### Defend the welfare state

The whole of society is affected by the Tories' attacks on the welfare state. Our national union must base itself on fighting against injustice, exploitation and oppression in the local communities and beyond.

If elected I will seek to involve students in campaigns to defend the NHS, campaign against the dehumanising workfare programme as well as housing cuts which will see rents soar and make living unaffordable for young people.

### Defend the Right to Protest

Students protesting to defend their education have suffered at the hands of police brutality.

By threatening us with the use of rubber bullets and water cannons ahead of the 9 November demonstration the state and police purposefully sought to break the unity of the students' movement.

Our slogan must be: an injury to one is an injury to all. If elected I will tirelessly campaign to free all student protesters from jail and to defend those facing the courts.

**Vote Jamie #1**  
**Vote Jamil #2**



### International solidarity

From Cairo to Chile revolts and uprisings are seeing millions of people shape history. While students in Chile are waging an inspirational battle against neoliberalism, students in Alexandria and Cairo have managed to kick out their principals and now play a role in running their colleges.

Our union needs to be the organisation which puts itself at the centre of publicising and building concrete solidarity with these struggles. A key priority in this is continuing the fight for Palestinian liberation.

### No to racism, fascism and islamophobia

Across London universities, racists have tried to publish Islamophobic cartoons in student papers. Racism and fascism is a real threat in times of deepening economic crisis. Students have always been at the forefront of fighting against racism and discrimination on campus and in the wider community. The stronger the anti-fascist movement the stronger our union!

### For a democratic and campaigning NUS

As an active socialist and a member of the Socialist Worker Student Society I believe that our union should empower its members to be part of all decision-making. That is why we need a campaign to reinvigorate our union democracy.

## Why we're supporting Jamie

*Vote Jamie Woodcock #1 for Block. When the UCU was on strike on 30 November he was instrumental in building student-staff departmental committees which mobilised more than 300 students on to the picket lines. That's the kind of leadership NUS needs.*

**Mark Bergfeld**  
NUS NEC 2010-2012

*Jamie has been putting liberation at the heart of all his campaigning activities. Whether it is speaking on platforms against Islamophobia or challenging homophobia in the students' movement Jamie is a candidate with the politics that can unite the movement under the banner: Education for Liberation!*

**Ruby Hirsch**  
NUS NEC

*With marketization and privatisation going ahead on a local level our union faces its biggest challenge. It should be the role of the elected leadership to find creative ways to unite and encourage broad opposition. Jamie is the candidate will do just that! Vote Jamie #1.*

**Nathan Bolton**  
Essex SU President-elect

*Postgraduate students are getting a bad deal and our union has been slow to address it. As a PhD student, a UCU and NUS member Jamie will be able to talk to our members who are being casualised on zero-hour contracts and make sure that officers like myself get the support we need.*

**Robin Burrett**  
LSE Postgraduate Officer