

FAITHAIS YÁÑEZ FOR BLOCK OF 15



I am a socialist feminist activist with a long record of campaigning both in Mexico, where I lived most of my life, and Britain. I am a supporter of the National Campaign Against Fees and Cuts and one of the LGBT reps on its National Committee. I study at Birkbeck in London, where I am SU Anti-Fascism Anti-Racism Officer.

I stand for turning NUS around to make it a militant, fighting organisation that leads our movement instead of standing in its way.

"Thais is an inspiring Liberation and anti-cuts activist, and has worked tirelessly in London to fight for a better world."
- Michael Chessum, University of London Union President and NUS NEC

FOR INTERSECTIONALITY

in the fight for liberation – not a hierarchy of oppressions, but consistent support for all liberation struggles. As an activist fitting into multiple liberation groups I have learned how difficult it is for our movement to achieve this and how much work needs to be done. I want to make fighting transphobia, both in its standard right-wing and its "radical" feminist/"left" forms a priority. In ULU and our affiliated unions we have actually begun to expand liberation representation – let's do that nationally.

FIGHT RACISM AND FASCISM

defend no platform and get mobilised to drive them off our campuses. Get students on the streets against the far right; build a campaign against the social conditions they feed on.

INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY

Workers and the oppressed are resisting and fighting for liberation all over the world – international solidarity needs to be more than a catchphrase and shape everything we do. I am anti-war and anti-imperialist but I oppose the kind of fake "anti-imperialism" which led some on the left to apologise for George Galloway and Julian Assange.

A MILITANT FIGHTBACK

against cuts and fees, and for free education and living grants for all. The idea there is no money in society is a lie. Tax the rich, expropriate the wealth of the banks!

USING NUS RESOURCES

to build fighting anti-cuts groups on every campus. Build a federation of anti-cuts groups through the NCAFC. Build a network of radical student unions to fight in NUS and take action independently when necessary.

FIGHT NOW

Instead of accepting the Tories are here to stay till 2015, and that after that we can rely on Ed Miliband, fight back against every attack and fight to bring the government down!

STUDENTS AND WORKERS UNITE

get students linked up with workers out on the picket lines. The work we have done in ULU supporting the Senate House cleaners' 3 Cosas campaign and other living wage and workers' rights struggles should be a model. Run a national Know Your Rights campaign like we have at ULU.

I'm standing as a Block of 15 candidate for the NCAFC (www.anticuts.com) – alongside James McAsh and Rosie Huzzard. For more info email me at bbkafar@gmail.com or ring me on 07505 894 236