slide 1 Title slide—Why you should become a UCU member

Explain that in this presentation you are going to talk about UCU and the benefits of joining

Slide 2 UCU—Who We Are

UCU represents academic and professional staff in further, higher, adult and prison education. In FE we represent:

Lecturers and staff that are involved with teaching and/or directly involved in curriculum delivery. This can include staff not on a lecturer’s contract.

Slide 3 UCU - What We Do

* Your collective voice nationally and locally
* Representation if you have a problem
* Negotiation of your pay and conditions
* Represent staff in TPS pension scheme
* Protect jobs and campaign for secure employment and equality

Slide 4 – Helping You Build Your Career

* Free CPD courses. Contact Glen Pickard ( [gpickard@ucu.org.uk](mailto:gpickard@ucu.org.uk) ) for more details
* Give examples of courses: Introduction to sustainability; Embedding climate education in the curriculum; Collectively challenging disability discrimination; LGBT+ language in use; Challenging casualisation in education; Challenging excessive workload in education
* Free CPD resources – a range of guides on the UCU website

Slide 5 – Campaigning On Your Behalf

* Refer to Respect FE campaign. The joint trade union claim (UCU, NEU, GMB, Unison and Unite) is:
* A 15.4% pay rise (January RPI plus 2%); a national workload agreement; a just transition commission for FE to support sustainability; binding national negotiations (currently whatever is negotiated nationally still has to be agreed locally). Please sign the pledge on the UCU website
* FE staff work on average 2 days extra for free each week due to excessive workloads

Slide 6 – Local Campaigns

* Recent or current campaigns
* Local wins

Slide 7

* The more members we have the more we can achieve

Slide 8

* We are a specialist union – focussed on education. We understand the issues and know how to raise them