

<p>HOOK</p> <p>what is happening that makes the story newsworthy?</p>	<p>Exeter UCU strike from 25 November 2019 for eight days University of Exeter</p>
<p>HEADLINE</p>	<p>University of Exeter staff strike over pay, pensions and working conditions</p>
<p>STANDFIRST</p> <p>highlights interesting points complements headline might refer to points below lead</p>	<p>The Exeter branch of the University & College Union (UCU) is taking part in a national eight day strike for fair pay and pensions, including equal pay for female and BAME staff, and against casualisation and increasing workloads.</p>
<p>LEAD</p> <p>where story starts captures essence of story usually addresses who, what, when, where, why and how</p>	<p>Staff at the University of Exeter were among more than <u>40,000 lecturers and other academic and support staff</u> who walked out on strike at 60 UK universities on Monday in protest over pay cuts, increased pension costs and deteriorating working conditions.</p> <p>Members of the University and College Union (UCU) began eight days of strike action after agreement could not be reached with university representatives over ongoing disputes which caused <u>significant disruption on campuses across the country during last year's strikes</u>.</p>
<p>ANGLE</p> <p>summarises approach to story</p>	<p>Round two, after talks failed to produce agreement following previous industrial action Strikers have what seem to be legitimate grounds for dispute with the university, which ranks poorly on employment terms measures</p>
<p>KEY QUESTIONS TO ANSWER</p> <p>what does the reader need to know to understand the story?</p>	<p>How many staff are on strike? How long is the strike? When will it end? What is the strike about? What is UCU? Who does it represent? Is the strike justified? Do the union members support it? Why did the previous industrial action not lead to dispute resolution?</p>
<p>REQUIRED RESEARCH</p> <p>what information is needed to tell the story effectively?</p>	<p>UCU's claims + position inc. explanation esp. re. pay, pensions, casualisation, workloads + strike ballot numbers Background context: UK-wide scale (number of participants, number of institutions)</p>
<p>SOURCES FOR RESEARCH</p> <p>where will the required information come from?</p>	<p>Guardian, Independent, Telegraph websites UCU UK website Exeter Observer website Exeter UCU website</p>
<p>SOURCES FOR QUOTES</p> <p>direct/indirect? attributable/non-attributable?</p>	<p>University medical school post-doctoral scientist - non-attributable Another St Luke's academic - non-attributable A university librarian - non-attributable Nick Varney, UCU South West regional official, via UCU officer (not spokesperson) A University of Exeter spokesperson, via press office Student striker supporters at Streatham campus - indirect</p>
<p>REQUIRED COLLATERAL</p>	<p>Photos of strike inc. three permissions for use and original images acquired via Twitter</p>