

## **Long Island University-Brooklyn Locks Out Faculty Move Imperils Students' Education as Semester Begins**

**Q. Are LIU Faculty on strike?**

**A. NO: the LIU administration chose to lock out the entire faculty--who have been bargaining since spring—on September 3 rather than reach a fair contract.**

- Long Island University Faculty Federation (LIUFF) is a NYSUT/AFT, AFL-CIO affiliate
- This is not a strike; the employer took this action, not the union.

**Q. What are the issues?**

**A. LIU Brooklyn students pay the same tuition as students at LIU's Post campus. But LIU Brooklyn faculty are paid less for the same work, and LIU's President wants to break their union.**

- LIU students in Brooklyn and Nassau County are equally important and pay the same tuition; the faculty who teach them--who are equally qualified--should be paid the same.
- LIUFF sought to end this indefensible disparity between the campuses no later than 2019.
- The administration wanted to drag it out for longer, and add other onerous work rules and cuts to adjunct faculty members' already low pay.

**Q. What's happening now?**

**A. Students' education is in danger, and faculty are making their voices heard—join them!**

- LIU administrators locked out faculty and revoked their health insurance as soon as their contract expired; LIU started looking for "replacement faculty" over the summer, but can't find enough qualified faculty to teach classes
- This means LIU Brooklyn students will be entering classrooms on Wednesday with faculty who may have no qualifications at all, imperiling their education and LIU's accreditation status.
- It also means that student teachers from LIU—about to enter public schools all over the New York City metropolitan area—may have no qualified supervising faculty.

**Show that you stand with LIU Brooklyn faculty and the community they serve!**

- **8am, Wednesday, 1 University Plaza, corner of DeKalb and Flatbush in front of the main building of LIU Brooklyn; speakers 11:30 am**
  - **Thursday: support LIU faculty in mass unemployment filing**
- **Friday: join AFT President Randi Weingarten for LIU Education from LIU Faculty**