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## Pay Agreement Reached with EIS-FELA

Representatives for the college sector have welcomed a pay agreement with the Educational Institute of Scotland Further Education Lecturers' Association (EIS-FELA), following a successful round of talks. The EIS-FELA had recommended to its members to accept a 2% consolidated pay increase for 2020-21 and lecturing staff have agreed to the deal.

A spokesperson for Colleges Scotland Employers' Association said:

"We are pleased that the EIS-FELA has accepted the employers' offer which will see all lecturing staff across Scotland receive a 2% consolidated pay increase for 2020-21. This year has been extremely challenging because of COVID-19 and the sector is facing significant financial challenges, so it is good news that an agreement has been reached.

"During the pandemic, college staff stepped up to effectively deliver online remote teaching during lockdown and have worked hard to ensure that blended learning can take place this academic year, and it is only right that this dedication is recognised and augments the excellent pay, terms and conditions already in place for lecturing staff across Scotland.

"Colleges will be vital to Scotland's inclusive social and economic recovery as we emerge from the pandemic by providing opportunities for people to train, reskill and upskill, and our staff will be at the heart of supporting individuals and delivering the skilled workforce that businesses need."

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