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Comment on the EIS-FELA Ballot

A spokesperson for Colleges Scotland, said:

“It is disappointing that the EIS-FELA has balloted its members to ask them to consider industrial action in the midst of a global pandemic that has disrupted education, and severely impacted the economy and employment prospects for many people across Scotland.

“The EIS-FELA is well aware that instructor/tutor/assessor positions are not new roles and have been in place within the sector for a considerable number of years. The EIS-FELA is attempting to take its members down the route of industrial action yet again, at a time when large numbers of people in other sectors are facing job losses and pay restrictions.

“Colleges use a variety of different learning and teaching methods designed to deliver a diverse curriculum which best supports the needs of the learner and is appropriate for the specific subject.

“Both support staff and lecturing staff are equally valuable and necessary for the effective running of colleges, and the sector will play a key role in supporting Scotland’s economic recovery by supporting the tens of thousands of people who are going to have to change career, reskill and upskill to find new jobs.”

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