

To: Graduate Students in the Department of Sociology

48,000 Academic Workers across the University of California -- Academic Student Employees, Academic Researchers, Postdoctoral Scholars, and Student Researchers -- are negotiating new contracts. In response to the university not negotiating in good faith, the vast majority of Academic Workers at UC voted to authorize a strike, which will begin on November 14th.

It is likely that sociology graduate students will be involved in strike action. We, the undersigned, all faculty in the sociology department, are in solidarity with UC's Academic Workers in their fight for equitable contracts. We will not retaliate against striking students and we will consider cancelling classes in sympathy with their demands.

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