

WUSC at Dal

To the editor:

Thanks to an agreement between the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) and the Dalhousie-WUSC Local Committee a refugee student from Uganda has become a Landed Immigrant and is currently studying at Dalhousie. The Local Committee salutes the organizations that will sponsor this student for the next 12 months until he becomes self-sufficient: the Administration, the Faculty Association, the Student Union, the Bookstore, the Alumni Association, and Beaver Foods Ltd. This agreement between WUSC and Dalhousie is repeated with other universities across Canada such that over 40 students per year are sponsored. Since its inception in 1981 Dalhousie has sponsored the most refugee students for any single institution, a fact to be proud of. If you would like to become involved with this committee or know more about WUSC and its activities on campus and around the world contact Peter Wallace at 494-2364.

Peter Wallace



So So Socialists

Dear editor:

In response to Frank Jones of the International Socialists (SOS-SoSo). While encouraging the interest, keenness, and ingenuity of Mr. Jones (indeed, it was quite refreshing to see that SOS had struck a nerve), I must challenge the shortcomings of his approach.



First, a clarification - the idea that students are unable to adequately protect their interests must be put in context. Should a strike lockout occur, how might the students protect their interests - not an unwillingness to side with one party or another in a dispute, as Mr. Jones suggests. The chaos in 1988 at Dalhousie clearly evidenced this and, thus, SOS departs considerably from Mr. Jones' position.

Mr. Jones' argument that student interests are best served by tossing, willy-nilly, student hats into the camp of one of the disputing parties, would have made Thomas Hobbes proud; however, I am not. To favor one party or dissent against another, after detailed analysis of the issues is one thing. To simply sort through one's ideological baggage without fits understanding all the issues in play is to pursue a will o' the wisp. The former is to think critically. The latter is to mischannel vital energy.

Surely, as an international socialist, Mr. Jones is familiar with Karl Marx. Well, my reading of Marx (some 75 books and 250 articles) indicates that the most comprehensive critique of capitalism is founded on a comprehensive analysis of capitalism. Somehow, Mr. Jones has missed this recognition. Where is his detailed analysis of the Administration's position?

To conclude, I entirely encourage the rights of students to decide the issues for themselves; after all, that is the point of raising their awareness through the provision of full information about all the issues, not just a selected few.

That is where SOS stands on the protection and promotion of student interests! Where do Mr. Jones and the International Socialists stand?

Kevin Young, SOS

Co-op

To the editor:

I am a third year student in the Co-operative Education program (co-op for short), which finds jobs for students in the workplace and mixes workterms with classes. When I entered co-op last September, the co-op workterm fee was \$75.00. A fair price to pay, said Art Sedgwick, head of co-op, considering how much we would be making on the jobs they were finding for us. Cheryl Harding was hired as our placement officer. Things looked great.



This past March an emergency meeting of all co-op students was called. We were told by co-op and administration that a vote on a fee increase from \$75.00 to \$175.00 was necessary. This increase would strengthen co-op, and keep,

discussing it with us. No vote. They didn't bother to mention it until after it had been decided.

Of course this increase was necessary, we were told. It would strengthen co-op and keep Cheryl Harding on a permanent basis. Sound familiar?

Don't get me wrong. I'm grateful to co-op and bear no malice against Cheryl Harding or Art Sedgwick. They got me a very productive job this past summer which earned me a lot of money. I just don't want to give it all back to them.

Craig Falkenham

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