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Bargaining Update

Fighting UIC's excuses with worker action

On March 18, we had a bargaining meeting with the technical unit. Unfortunately, we were only faced with more excuses and delays. According to UIC's hiring data, there is clear evidence that the starting pay for almost every technical title is well below the market. However, the university still claims they will need until mid-April to complete their market review for technical titles, stalling economic negotiations even more than they already have. The only counter proposal that UIC gave us was for float pay, where they continued to refuse to pay techs that float in between clinics and units at the Hosp, SCB, and OCC the same float pay that nurses receive. UIC wants to rely on techs to cover for short-staffing and fill in the gaps in services, but they refuse to value and respect the essential role that the technical workers play across campus.

Our next contract action team meeting is tomorrow, March 21, at 6 PM. Register to attend the meeting [here](#) and join the fight to hold UIC accountable for paying fair raises to all UIC workers.



Sign up to RSVP to attend a session [here](#). The upcoming bargaining sessions are:

- Service: March 21 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM on Zoom
- All Contracts: March 26 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM in Person
- Pros: March 29 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM on Zoom

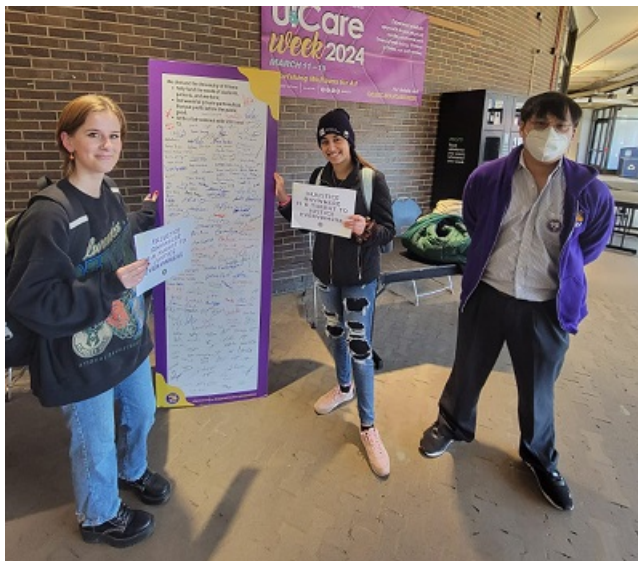
Student Solidarity Testimony: Armando Romero



While UIC students spend thousands in tuition dollars, the workers who make the campus run are underpaid and overworked. Watch Armando Romero, Class of 2023, speak about why students need to stand in solidarity with workers and fight for campus investments over the pursuit of profits for the wealthy.

[Click here to watch the reel.](#)

Next Steps



- **Stop by our table this month!** We'll be tabling on campus in Student Center East (750 S Halsted) & Student Center West (828 S Wolcott) from 11 AM - 1 PM every Wednesday in March.
- The unity and strength of you and your coworkers is the only thing that can force UIC to agree to fair raises on a fair timeline. Remember to [sign the UIC Strike Ready Petition](#) and join us in Springfield on April 16 to deliver the petition to UI President Tim Killeen.