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Negotiations between the University of B.C. and Local No. 1 of the Association of University and College Employees broke down Friday over the question of wages.

The two parties had been negotiating for three weeks in attempts to conclude an initial collective agreement for the newly certified local. The agreement would cover approximately 1,200 University employees, mainly in clerical, stenographic and library-assistant positions.

Mr. John F. McLean, Director of Personnel and Labor Relations for UBC, said the AUCE representatives broke off Friday's negotiating session, the ninth held so far, because they said the University's wage offer was unreasonable.

He said the University has offered increases averaging 11.4 per cent in a one-year contract.

AUCE has asked for increases ranging from 37 to 61 per cent, Mr. McLean said.

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