

## **Education News Website Young Academic the First to Embrace the #savetheintern Saga**

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Student news website Young Academic was one of the sites quickest off the mark when reporting this weeks remarkable Twitter incident. The portal has been establishing itself as one of the United Kingdom s premier sources of education news and advice over the last few years and was swift in its publication of the #savetheintern story.

The debacle ensued following a serious mistale by an MPs intern. Tom Watsons young staff member tweeted on his behalf and caused rather a stir.

This sparked a hashtag campaign that is still raging on as you read this press release and is designed to save the intern from the sack. As was conveyed on the Young Academic site, these efforts may well have proven to be rather pointless as the tweets mentioned the taboo subject of rape in a less than sympathetic way.

Her tweets read:

I should log out of my Twitter so that my intern doesnt twit-rape me,

My boss is in a meeting, Ive made a terrible mistake, Im very sorry everyone, it wasnt meant to be offensive! Logging him off now! Sorry!

Unfortunately for the intern in question, as is common in the twittersphere, the original tweet had already been retweeted over a hundred times making it visible to thousands of potential readers.

Tom Watson then became aware of the situation and sent the following message; I sincerely apologise for the recent tweet. A lesson learned for a young intern. Shes also very sorry. I will deal with the matter offline.

For more on this intriguing story, readers are asked to log on to www.youngacademic.co.uk today.

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