University of North Carolina at Charlotte


Findings
－Lack of perceived incentives for seeking promotion for both genders but more pronounced for women．
－Widespread perception that the university embraces a single＂pathway＂for promotion to Full Professor－for both genders but more pronounced for women．
－Widespread perception that the criteria for promotion are not clear for both genders but more pronounced for women．
－Fewer than one third of men and women reported guidance on promotion from their Chairs．
－More than half of women feel that promotion decisions are NOT influenced by gender， race，or other non－performance factors． －A large majority of men and women feel that having a mentor would be helpful in preparing for promotion．


## Needs Assessment

－Focus Groups for Women in STEM－ Spring 2008
－Identified barriers to promotion，needs of associates，and solutions for success
－Reported on at 2008 PI meeting
－Basis for Mid－career mentoring
Initiative launched for STEM women Summer of 2008
－Survey of ALL Associate Professor
Faculty－Spring 2009
－283 men and women in all disciplines

## Survey of Associates

－Purpose：assess perceptions of processes and expectations surrounding promotion to Full Professor －Completed surveys returned by 96 faculty －44 women \＆ 52 men

－ $54 \%$ planned to seek promotion within next 5 years
－68\％planned to seek promotion within next 10 years
$\bullet 13.5 \%$ would＂never＂seek promotion
$\cdot 19 \%$ were unsure of their plans

## Implications of Findings

－Mid－career mentoring
－New initiatives begun Fall 2008
－Policy changes to remove barriers
－Clearer criteria and multiple pathways
－Chair Training
－Add feedback on＂progress toward promotion＂to all faculty evaluations
－Better communication of existing incentives

I believe that decisions about promotion to full professor in my department are made fairly，and are not influenced by gender， race，or other non－performance factors．


