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The 2006 Gender Equity Workshop, follow-ups, and assessment of progress during the last 5 years

1. The 2006 workshop
 - a. how it came about
 - b. planning
 - c. the workshop
2. follow-up
3. assessment of impact
4. observations about gender equity at
in chemistry at UCLA

**Workshop
on
Building Strong Academic Chemistry Departments
Through
Gender Equity**

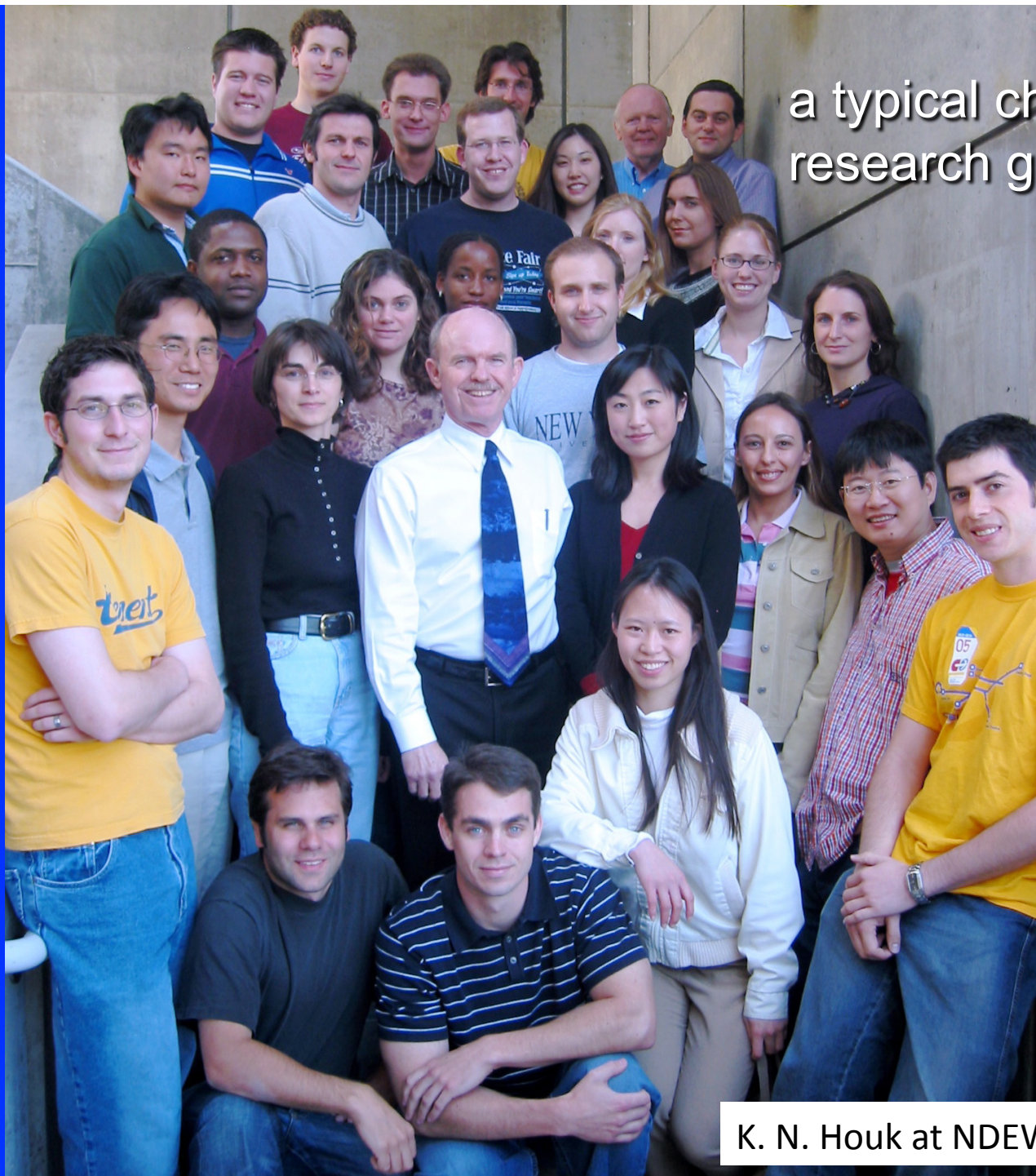
- January 29-31, 2006
- Sheraton National Hotel
- Arlington, VA

The Goal

“To develop and implement strategies to significantly increase the number of women chemists in tenured academic positions in our research universities and eliminate the gender biases that negatively impact their career progress.”

Why?

a typical chemistry
research group



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a typical chemistry
department faculty



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Workshop on Asymmetric Catalysis, Mesilla, New Mexico

Where did the idea of the gender equity workshop begin?

Federal agency chemistry-related division directors who are committed to the idea of building the quality and diversity of academic chemistry departments.

Arthur B. Ellis, Director, Division of Chemistry, NSF

Michael E. Rogers, Director

Division of Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry, NIGMS, NIH

Walter J. Stevens, Director

Chemical Sciences, Geosciences, and Biosciences Division, DOE

Building Strong Academic Chemistry Departments Through Gender Equity

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**Workshop on Building Strong Academic Chemistry Departments
through Gender Equity**

January 29-31, 2006, Arlington, Virginia

Sunday Evening, January 29, 2006

Session 1: Defining the Issues

Presiding: Cynthia M. Friend

6:15 p.m. Keynote Speaker: [Denice D. Denton](#), Chancellor, UC Santa Cruz

Presiding: Kendall N. Houk

7:00 p.m. Speaker: [Donna J. Nelson](#), Associate Professor of Chemistry
University of Oklahoma
Demographics of Chemistry Departments

7:45 p.m. University of Michigan CRLT Players Theatre Performance
(NSF ADVANCE has commissioned sketches
created by the [CRLT Players on mentoring, faculty hiring,
and the tenure decision process.](#))

Monday, January 30, 2006

Session 2: Equity and Bias

Presiding: Robert Lichter, Merrimack Consultants, LLC

- 8:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker: [Virginia Valian](#), Professor of Psychology, Hunter College, author of “Why So Slow”
- 8:40 a.m. Speaker: [Mary Ann Mason](#), Dean of the Graduate Division
“Impact of Marital Status and Children on Faculty Advancement”
UC Berkeley
- 9:20 a.m. Speaker: [Samuel L. Gaertner](#), Professor of Psychology, University of Delaware
"Prejudice Can Be Subtle and Insidious – But It Is Not Inevitable"

Monday Afternoon

Session 4: Challenges and Opportunities at the Departmental Level

12:00-1:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions (Working Luncheon Provided)

10 small groups will meet, each with a designated leader and reporter.

Each small group is charged with identifying challenges that departments/centers face in working towards eliminating biases that negatively impact efforts to recruit, hire, retain, and promote women in the chemical sciences, such as two-body problems, child-care, tenure clock, and related issues.

Breakout Groups I-V: Recruitment and Hiring

Breakout Groups VI-X: Retention and Promotion

Discussion Questions for Gender Equity Workshop Break-out Sessions

Departmental level:

1. What measures are in place to attain **gender equity in faculty hiring** and recruitment?
2. What are the most effective strategies for **developing the careers of young scientists** at the (a) graduate level and (b) postdoctoral stage?
3. What are the best practices **for identifying women faculty candidates**?
4. What are the important factors in successful recruitment of female faculty candidates?
5. What is the tenure rate of women faculty in comparison to men? Are there policies and practices in place to foster the careers of young faculty?
6. What policies are in place for post-tenure faculty that are important in **retaining women faculty**?
7. How do the post tenure rates of promotion and advancement (including salaries) of men and women compare at your institution? What measures are in place to insure equity?
8. For both the departmental and institutional level: **How are potential leaders (chairs, deans, etc.,) identified and “mentored”**. Are there mechanisms for developing leadership and management skills?

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Breakout Groups VI-X: Retention and Promotion

1:30 p.m. [Summary of Breakout Group Discussions and Panel Discussion](#)

(A reporter from each group will summarize the recommendations of that group)

2:00-3:00 p.m. [Panel to Discuss, Augment, and Assist in Prioritizing Recommendations](#)

Identifying and implementing best practices for insuring there are no biases that negatively impact efforts to recruit, hire, retain, and promote women in the chemical sciences. This group will address the challenges from the breakout groups.

Moderator: [Marsha I. Lester](#), Professor of Chemistry
University of Pennsylvania

Panelists: [Charles P. Casey](#), Professor of Chemistry, Wisconsin
[Carol A. Fierke](#), Professor of Chemistry, Michigan
[Mary D. Barkley](#), Professor of Chemistry, Case-Western Reserve
[Kristin Bowman-James](#), Professor of Chemistry, Kansas
and Director of Kansas NSF EPSCoR
[Martha Greenblatt](#), Professor of Chemistry, Rutgers
[Catherine L. Drennan](#), Professor of Chemistry, MIT

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Session 5: Recommendations for Academic Institutions

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

10 groups, as before. Charge this time is to develop a set of best practices and recommendations for the institutions at levels above the department that will increase the recruitment, retention, and promotion of women in academia in the chemical sciences.

Breakout Groups XI-XV: Recruitment and Hiring

Breakout Group XVI-XX: Retention and Promotion

Institutional level:

1. What policies are most effective in [attracting women science faculty](#) to an institution? Do you have policies that facilitate the [hiring of couples](#)? How are these policies implemented?
2. What institutional measures are in place to foster the careers of young science faculty, especially women? How are they implemented?
3. Are there policies and practices in place at the institutional level that [develop the careers of women students and postdoctoral associates](#)? If so, what are they and which are most effective?
4. What policies do you have in place to [facilitate child-bearing or adoption](#) for: (a) faculty, (b) postdoctoral researchers; (c) graduate students?
5. What measures are in place to attain [gender equity in faculty hiring](#) and recruitment?
6. Are there any incentives or reward systems in place for success in [hiring and retaining women](#) at your institution?
7. How does your institution support research? How does the level of support for women compare to men in science and engineering?

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4:30 p.m. [Summary of Breakout Group Recommendations](#)

5:00-6:00 p.m. [Panel to Discuss, Augment and Assist in Prioritizing Recommendations](#)

Moderator: [Charles B. Harris](#), Dean of the College of Chemistry,
UC Berkeley

Panelists: [Virginia Valian](#), Professor of Psychology, Hunter College
[Robin L. Garrell](#), Professor of Chemistry, UCLA
[Hannah Reisler](#), Professor of Chemistry, USC
[Robert Lichter](#), Merrimack LLC
[Jeffrey T. Roberts](#), Professor of Chemistry, Minnesota

Tuesday Morning

Session 6: Challenges and Opportunities at Funding Agencies

- 8:00 a.m. Presiding: Robert J. Silbey, Dean, School of Science, MIT
Keynote Speaker: The Honorable [Ron Wyden](#)
Senator from Oregon
Title IX, Legislative Issues
- 8:30 a.m. Speaker: [Ronald D. Branch](#), NSF
Director, Office of Equal Opportunity Programs
- 9:10 a.m. Remarks and Panel Discussion Featuring Funding Agency Directors:
[Jeremy Berg](#), Director, National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIH)
[Patricia M. Dehmer](#), Associate Director, Office of Basic Energy Sciences (DOE)
[Michael S. Turner](#), Assistant Director, Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate (NSF)

Funding Agencies:

1. How can we most effectively assure that there is not **discrimination in the peer review system**? Accordingly, how can the peer review process be improved so as to minimize implicit bias against women scientists?
2. How might **Title IX** be applied so as to assure that there is not gender bias in research funding in Universities? What criteria would be used to gauge compliance?
3. What affect will new developments in law relating to **affirmative action** potentially have on programs and funding criteria in federal agencies?
4. What **recommendations for achieving gender equity** do you have for Universities and Departments looking ahead?
5. Are there new **programs that funding agencies** might consider that would promote gender equity?

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- 10:00 a.m. Breakout Sessions: Issues and Findings of Interest to Funding Agencies
Three Breakout Sessions with groups discussing issues relevant to NIH, NSF, and DOE
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| XXI. | NSF – | Leader: Geri L. Richmond |
| XXII. | NIH – | Leader: Kristin Bowman-James |
| XXIII. | DOE – | Leader: Charles B. Harris |

Action items for departments

At the end of the workshop, the department chairs were charged with selecting two action items from the following list to implement in the two months following the workshop, and to report these action items and how things were going on the COACh website.

1. **Double the percentage of women applicants in the applicant pool in the next year (AY 05-06 versus AY 04-05).**
2. **Establish effective mechanisms for assisting career development of young faculty, especially women.**
3. **Consider personal obligations in academic scheduling and planning.**
4. **Develop and implement programs that educate all faculty members and students in your department regarding the accumulation of disadvantages of women.**
5. **Make diversity an academic priority and develop programs that enhance recruitment and retention of faculty.**
6. **Develop policies within your institute to facilitate the hiring of women, including facilitating spousal hiring.**
7. **Assure that mid- and senior-level faculty, especially women, are participating in leadership roles.**
8. **Recognize the importance of, and advocate for, institutional support of child care.**

Post-Workshop plans

Tuesday 1:30

Co-Chairs and Steering committee
will meet interested press and public

Early April

Report on the Workshop will be published

Outcome – (in my opinion in January of 2006)

Energized chairs of ~60 chemistry departments returned to their departments, armed with the knowledge of the practices necessary to change the cultures of their chemistry departments and to move rapidly toward gender equity, aided by federal programs and policies.

They will build stronger chemistry departments!

Gender Equity

Workshop looks at ways to make academic chemistry department positions more inviting to women

[Susan R. Morrissey](#)



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Equity The low representation of women in academic faculty positions prompted chemical community leaders to come together.

It's no secret that the number of women on the faculty of chemistry departments across the U.S. is small. This fact is in contrast to the robust pipeline filled with a healthy representation of women earning advanced degrees in the chemical sciences. So why aren't more of these qualified women entering the academic professorate?

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- Examines changes in attitudes during the workshop
 - a. Department chairs
 - b. Female faculty members
- Compares these (39) to attitudes of female chemists before COACh workshops

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Tracked the departmental actions as
documented on the COACh website:

45 department chairs posted action times
or goals pursued in their departments

COACh Survey of Department Chairs

What effect did the workshop have on Chairs opinions on barriers to career progress for women?

% Rated as moderate to very important

	CHEM Chairs Pre	CHEM Chairs Post	PHYS Chairs Pre	PHYS Chairs Post	MSE Chairs Pre	MSE Chairs Post
Unwelcoming departmental climate	23%	33%	15%	27%	21%	16%
Women's inability to compete for the best graduate students.	11%	22%	9%	9%	7%	17%
Women being excluded from important departmental decisions	9%	29%	9%	12%	21%	27%

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Lack of mentoring by top in the field	28 %	39%	12%	28%	24%	40%
Gender discrimination in peer review processes	12 %	28%	3%	7%	24%	33%
Subtle biases against women that accumulate	37 %	61%	6%	12%	46%	57%
Heavier teaching and service responsibilities	17 %	33%	9%	12%	17%	27%

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#1: *Not everyone agrees on the issues*

COACh Survey of Department Chairs

Barriers to women's career progress in STEM fields

% Rated as moderate to very important

	CHEM Chairs (Women)	PHYS Chairs (Women)	MSE Chairs
Unwelcoming departmental climate	23 % (74)	15 % (64)	21 %
Women's inability to compete for the best graduate students.	11 % (49)	9 % (34)	7 %
Women being excluded from important departmental decisions	9 % (55)	9 % (47)	21 %

Action items that were selected by chairs:

After one year, and considerable prodding from the authors, 45 of the 56 eligible chairs/heads reported as follows: (about 3 action items adopted in each department)

1. Double the percentage of women applicants in the applicant pool in the next year (AY 05-06 versus AY 04-05).
22 heads endorsed this
2. Establish effective mechanisms for assisting career development of young faculty, especially women.
26 heads endorsed this
3. Consider personal obligations in academic scheduling and planning.
10 heads endorsed this
4. Develop and implement programs that educate all faculty members and students in your department regarding the accumulation of disadvantages of women.
10 heads endorsed this
5. Make diversity an academic priority and develop programs that enhance recruitment and retention of faculty.
13 heads endorsed this
6. Develop policies within your institute to facilitate the hiring of women, including facilitating spousal hiring.
15 heads endorsed this
7. Assure that mid- and senior-level faculty, especially women, are participating in leadership roles.
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Conclusions

Carefully planned intervention can change attitudes of department chairs

Individual commitments of the chairs continued (for at least several months)

Success of the workshop was due to:

1. the issue was readily identified and recognized
2. chairs are especially knowledgeable and receptive
3. mutual cooperation of peers to achieve a common goal
atmosphere of mutual problem solving is important

Involvement of federal agencies was likely influential to success

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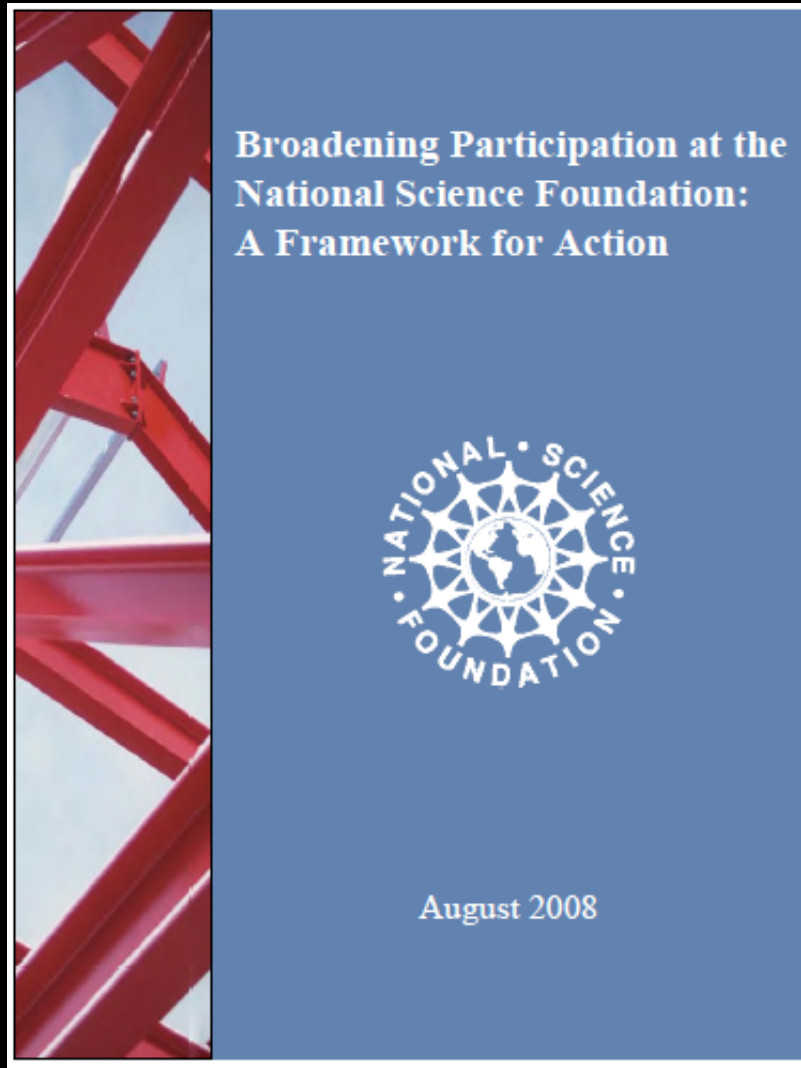


Plan for Broadening Participation in Chemistry

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Wade Sisk
Charles Pibel
Raimund Langer
Cyndi W. Clark
Jenny Greenwood

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Adopted November 29, 2006



Broadening Participation at the National Science Foundation: A Framework for Action



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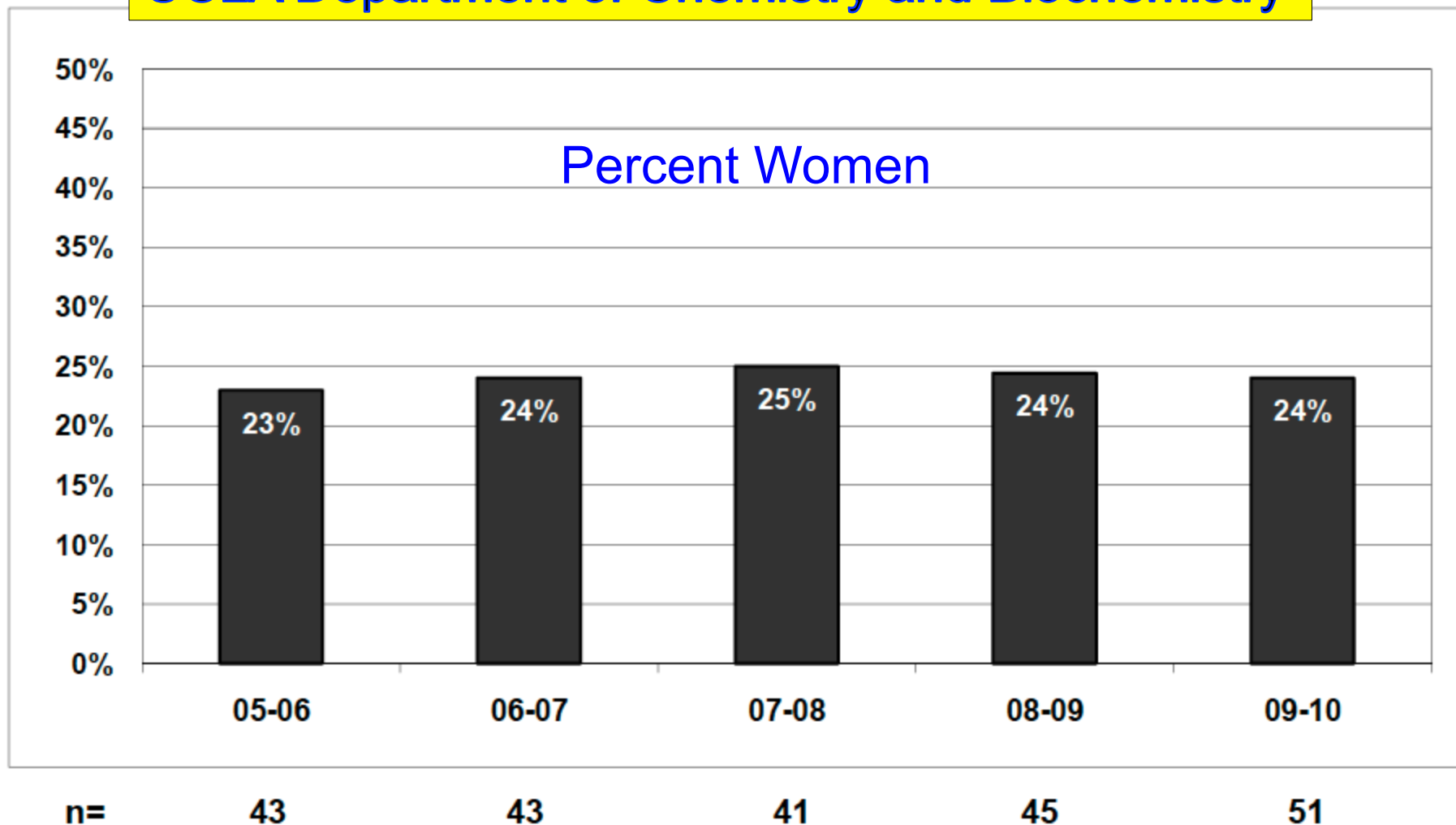
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What has happened at UCLA?



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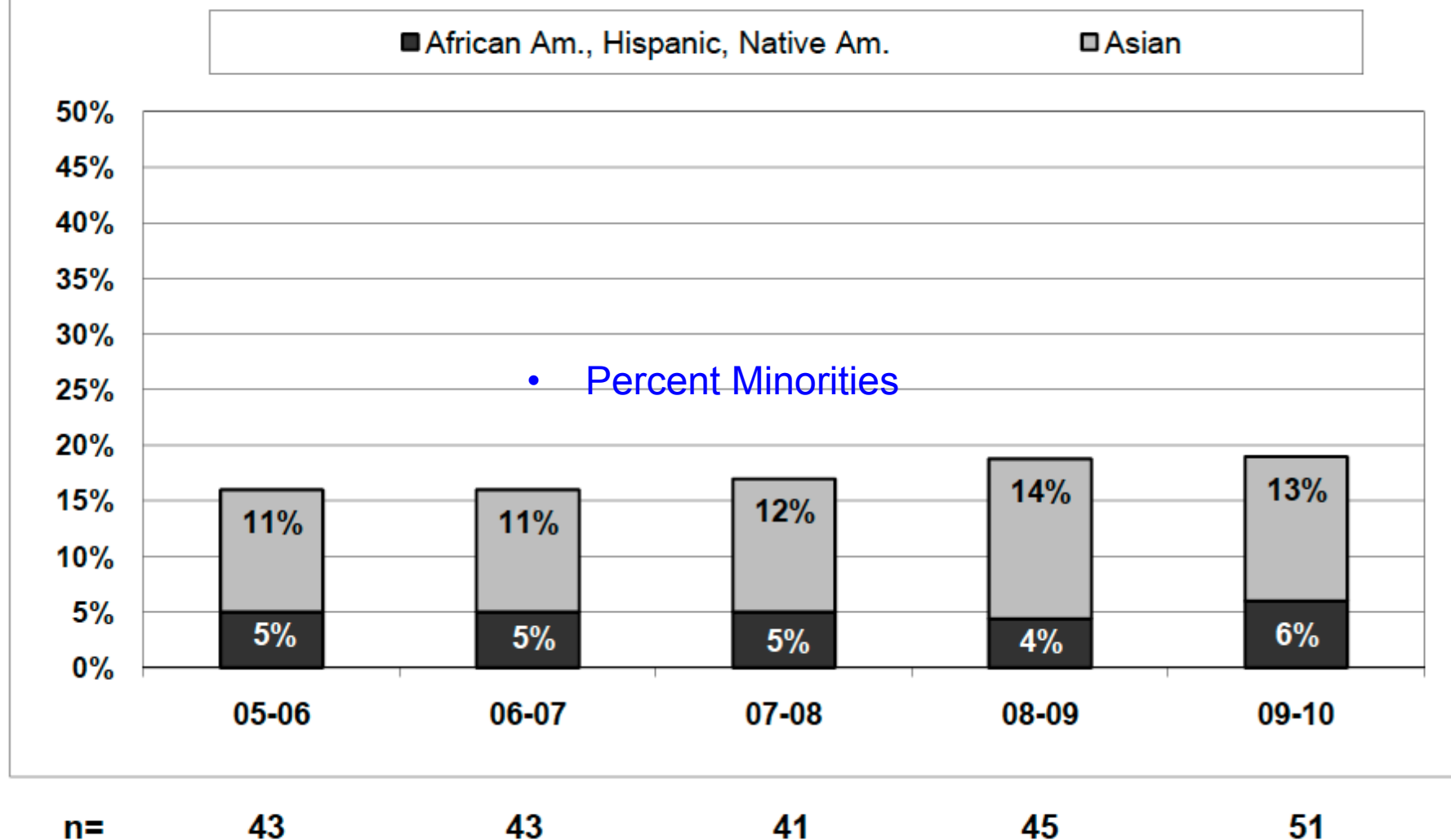
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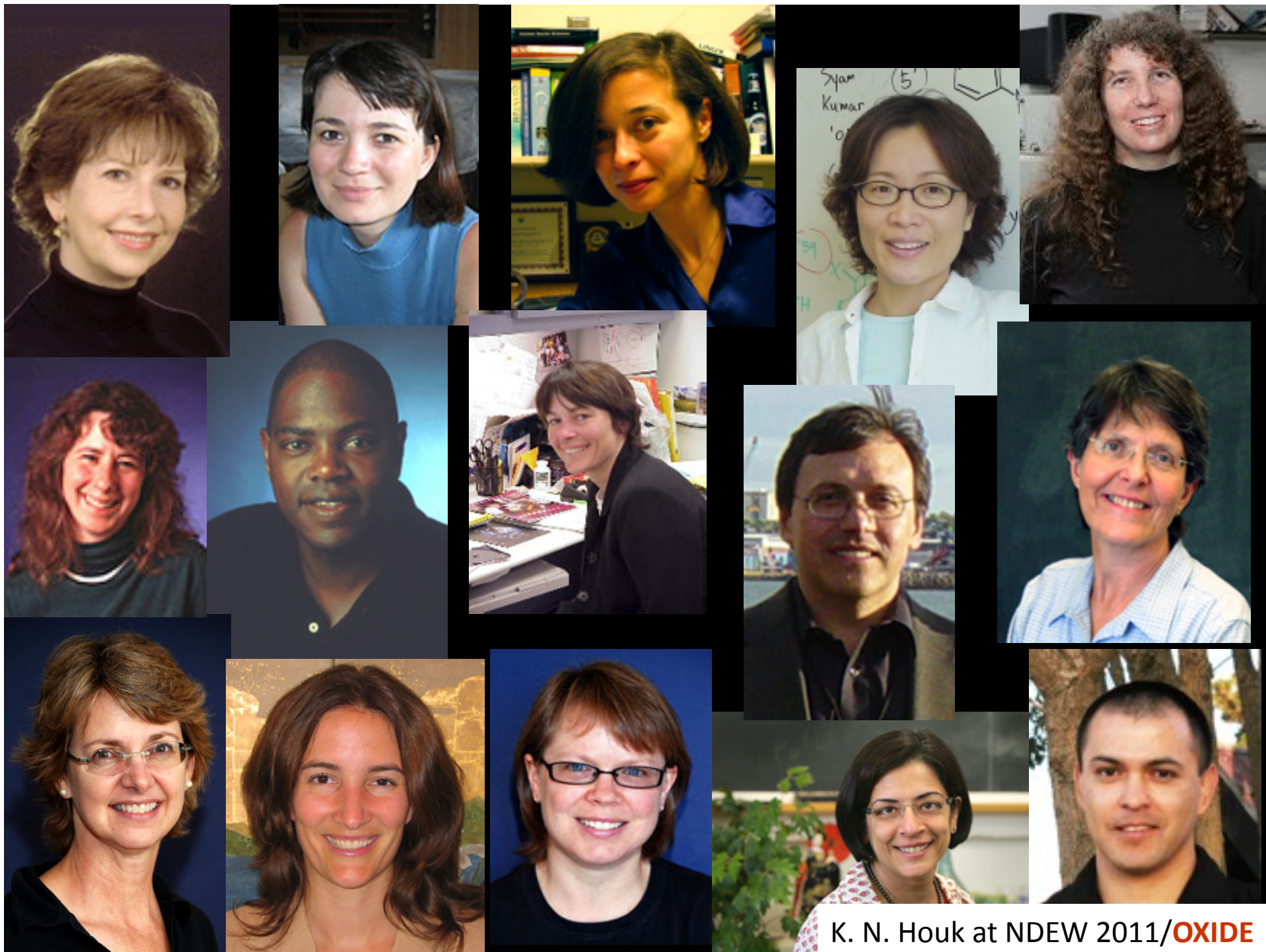
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DEPARTMENTAL UNDERUTILIZATION OF REGULAR RANK FACULTY

	Women	African American	Asian	Hispanic	Native American	Total Known Ethnicity
# of Faculty	12.0	1.0	6.5	2.0	0.0	49.5
% of Faculty	24.2%	2.0%	13.1%	4.0%	0.0%	
Estimate of Availability	31.8%	2.3%	12.9%	3.0%	0.5%	
Expected # of Faculty	15.7	1.1	6.4	1.5	0.2	
Underutilization	-3.7	-0.1	none	none	-0.2	

UCLA Campuswide Diversity Statistics, Regular Rank Faculty, 2010-2011,
Christine A. Littleton, Vice Provost for Diversity & Faculty Development



Professor Miguel A. Garcia-Garibay

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Advisor on Diversity to the Dean of Physical Sciences

“the environment is more positive now than it was five years ago.
I find the Dean's approach and interest both sincere and pragmatic.”

“.....some physical division chairsuse economic (and other)
distress to put equity aside, as though it is something you should do
only when things are going well.”

“I think that it is still the case that women and minorities are only
recognized when they reach the very top. Being average for a woman
or a minority, even in a very good group, is failure in the eyes of many.”

“However, I feel that campus efforts in sensitizing all the people
involved in hiring committees are working. [workshops] I think these
workshops do work, but the rate of change feels geological.”

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