

From: Dean & Vice Chancellor Claudia Mitchell-Kernan
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Subject: NRC Faculty Survey

UCLA *Graduate Division*

To: All Faculty

Re: National Research Council Assessment of Doctoral Programs

Dear Colleague:

As many of you know, the National Research Council (NRC) is conducting an ambitious assessment of doctoral programs nationwide. The resulting evaluation will lead to ratings and rankings of over 60 doctoral programs at UCLA. An important component of this study is a survey of faculty who contribute to doctoral education. Many of you will receive this survey within the next few weeks. Although I understand how busy you are, **it is extremely important for your program and for UCLA overall that you take the time to respond.** The results of the survey will have a direct effect on the way your program is rated and ranked; in addition, survey completion qualifies you for participation in a second critically important task of providing peer rankings for other programs in your field of study. A "Tip Sheet" has been prepared to help clarify questions and assist you in completing the survey. The Tip Sheet can be found at: <http://www.maildoc.ucla.edu/services/bruinpost/faculty.htm>.

For more information about the study generally and the faculty survey in particular, please see: <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/resdoc/index.html>. You can also call or e-mail Dr. Angela James (794-5363) ajames@gdnet.ucla.edu with questions and comments. Finally, please note that the survey has been approved by both UC and NRC Institutional Review Boards. Again, do not hesitate to contact Dr. James or me (cmkernan@gdnet.ucla.edu (825-4383) if we can be of assistance to you.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important study.

Sincerely,

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