

DIVERSITY AND GENDER POLICY UNIT

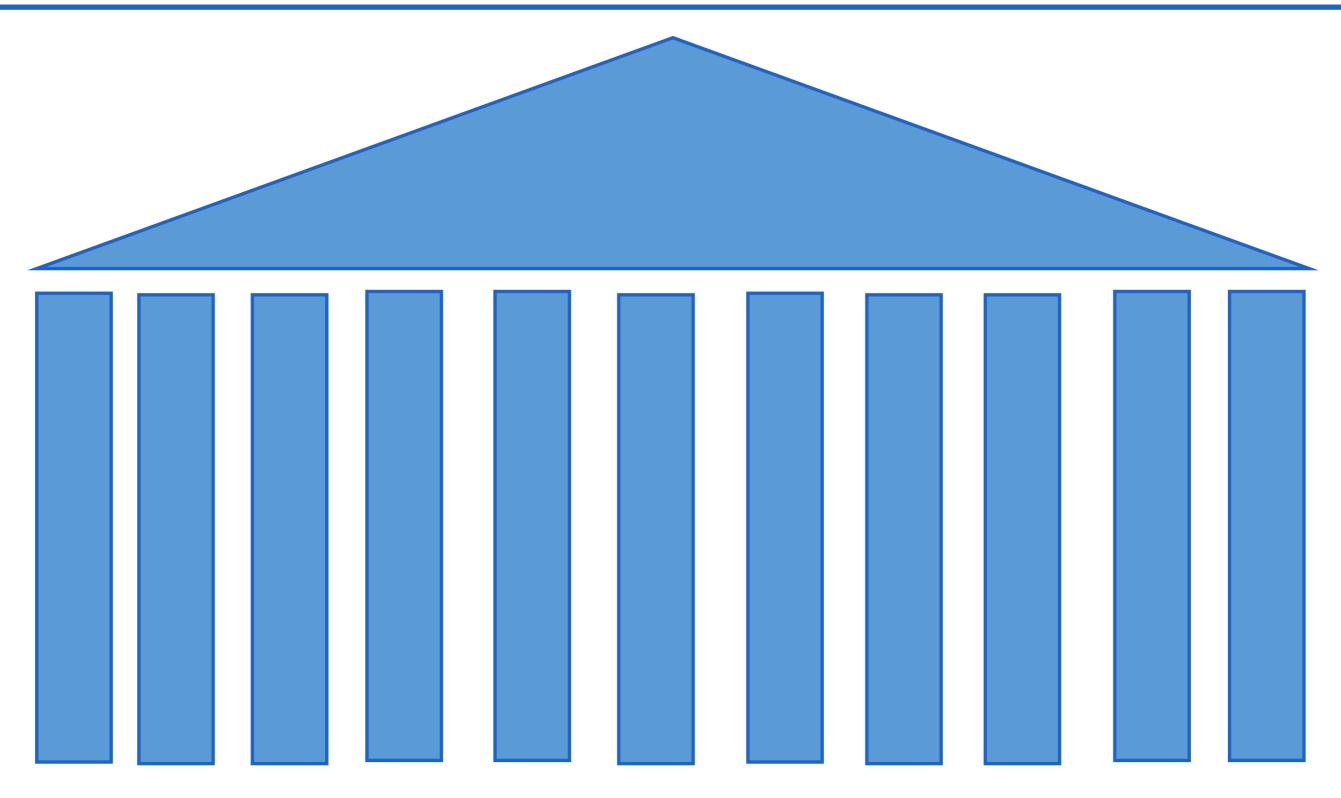
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A highway to a more gender equal university?



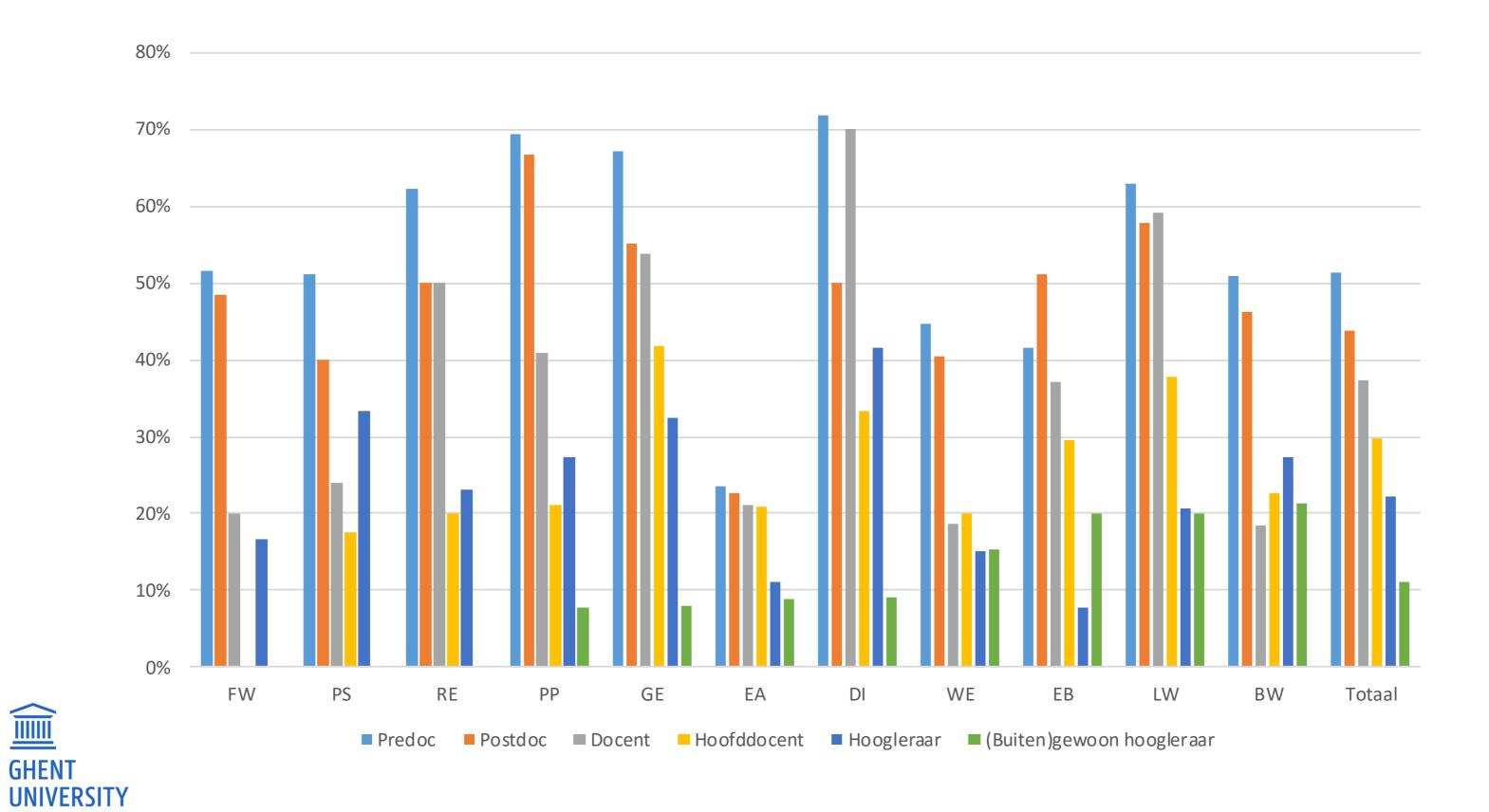


CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION AND 11 FACULTIES





% WOMEN PER FACULTY



CONTENT

- Gender Equality: A Matter of Time?
 - Commitment of men in toppositions as an essential condition
- Care and Flexibility
 - Sustainability & "excellence" in scientific careers
- Bias and Consciousness
- Consciously and competently combatting gender bias in decision-making processes



BACKGROUND

- Involvement of men in top positions necessary condition?
- The conclusions of the 2004th annual UN CSW (Commission on the Status of Women) have changed the conversations about the presence and role of men in gender policy.
- The dominant discourse in the international arena will now point up "gender equality" as a positive project for men also.

(Connell, 2005)



BENEFITS?

- Support of men (in toppositions) is seen as an important condition for gender equality, but is not always self-evident.
- Gender-equality offers men (also) more possibilities to be who they want to be, it appeals to the ideals of justice and offers opportunities the women they care about.





CAN BELGIAN MEN BENEFIT BY GENDER EQUALITY?

Enquête JUMP & Axiom ConsulIng Partners 2016:

- 75% of Belgian men do see benefits for themselves in creating more equality for women at work.
- 22% is really helping women to promote
- 33% is resisting women's promotion, activily or passivly
- 50% of men do not worry about their own career progression because of more gender equality at work, but they think that 74% of their other male collegues do.
- This survey has shown that men in higher positions and the older men are, more benefits they see for themselves to create more gender equality and help women to move up.
- Having a female leader helps in creating more gender equality.

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COMBINATION WORK/LIFE BALANCE

- No carefree employers
- From OR/OR to AND/AND



THE PERFECT ACADEMIC

- "... Gives total priority to work and has no outside interests and responsabilities" (Bailyn, 2003)
- Reflects a masculine stereotype and a traditional male breadwinner model (Rees, 2011; Van den Brink & Benschop, 2012).
- Science is "a greedy institution that does not tolerate part time work, nor the distractions that children provide" (Benschop & Brouns, 2003).
- "Talking openly about care responsibilities is not self-evident in manyy scientific contexts" (Herschberg et al., 2014).



THE IDEAL SCIENTIFIC CAREER

 Strong normative, often implicit opinions on ideal scientific careers.



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