

# DEAR COLLEAGUES,

Where are the administration's priorities? Tenure system faculty numbers have fallen from 2032 to 1810 in the past 5 years. Assistant professor numbers have plummeted, from 546 to 399, a decline of 27%. The number of administrative positions, including consultants, continues to grow. The amount of time faculty spend on administrative duties continues to increase. While the Chancellor has announced 500 new faculty hires, most of these are planned replacements of faculty who have left and who will leave over the next five years. At this pace, UIUC faculty will be back to 2007 numbers by 2020—with thousands more students to teach.

Where is our faculty voice when it comes to setting priorities? A faculty union provides us with a place at the decision making table.

To learn more about the state of our university, join us for a presentation by Howard Bunsis, AAUP Collective Bargaining Congress, titled:

**“Our University At the Crossroads: Finances, Budgets, and the Faculty”**

Thursday, October 10th @ 4:00 PM

University YMCA, 1001 South Wright Street

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Sincerely,



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