Why AFFECT?

- There are relatively few women in senior positions in finance.
- It seems that women are not advancing at the same rate as men.
- In many STEM fields the gender gap has narrowed. However, in economics it has not. Casual observation suggests that the gender gap is also not narrowing in finance.

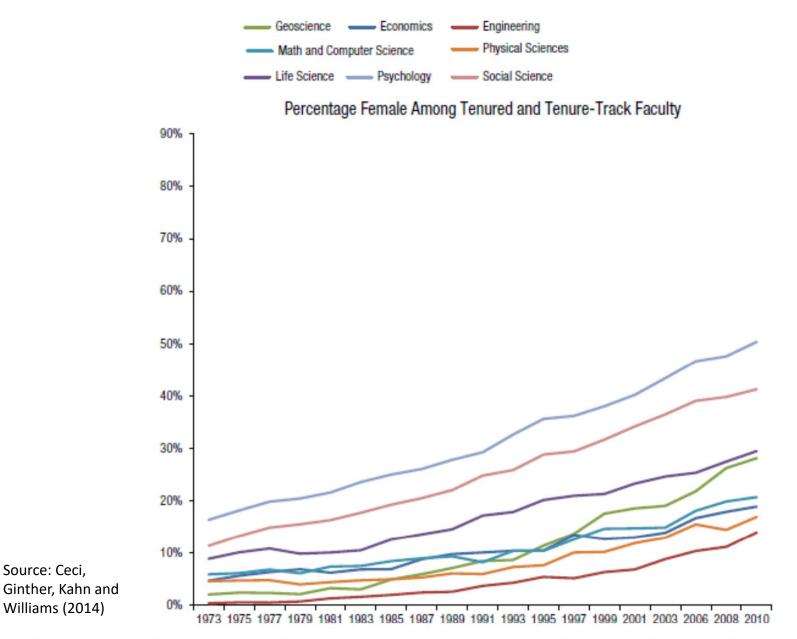
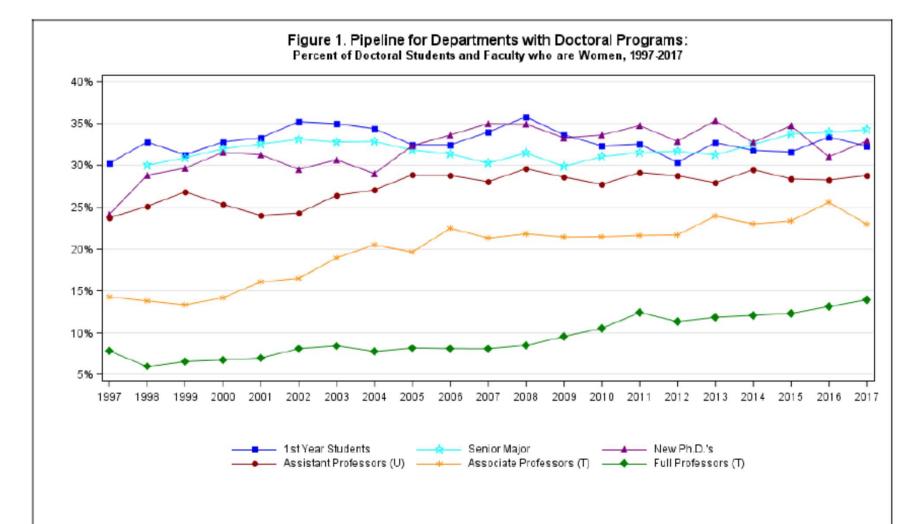


Fig. 4. Percentage female among tenure-track assistant professors (a) and among tenured or tenure-track faculty (b) from 1973 to 2010 as a function of field. Values shown are weighted percentages. Data shown here are drawn from the National Science Foundation's Survey of Doctorate Recipients (www.nsf.gov/statistics/srvydoctoratework).

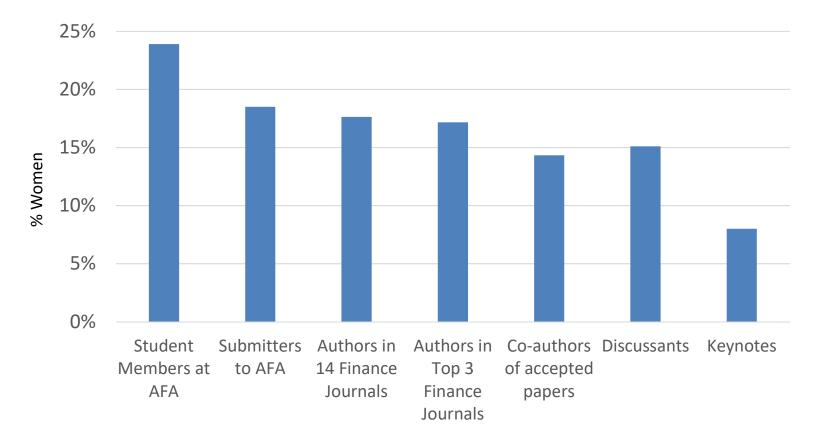
CSWEP's 2017 Report of the Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession



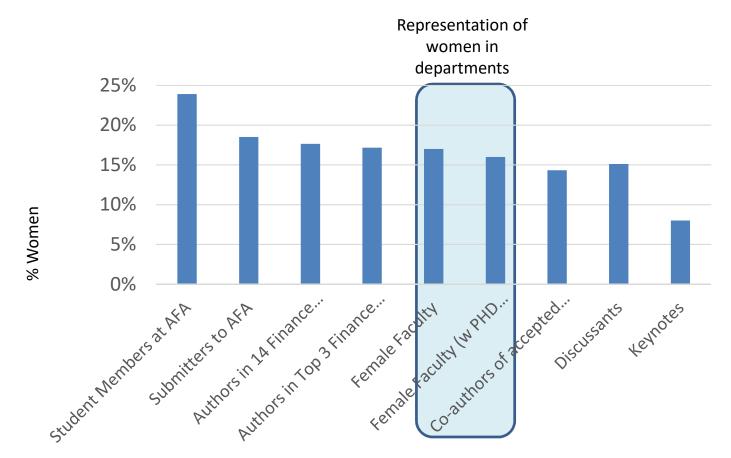
AFFECT's mission

- Collect systematic data to better understand women's representation in finance
- To raise awareness
- To engage
- Please look at our website to see data and literature!

AFFECT 2017-2018: Representation of women in the profession



AFFECT 2019: Department survey



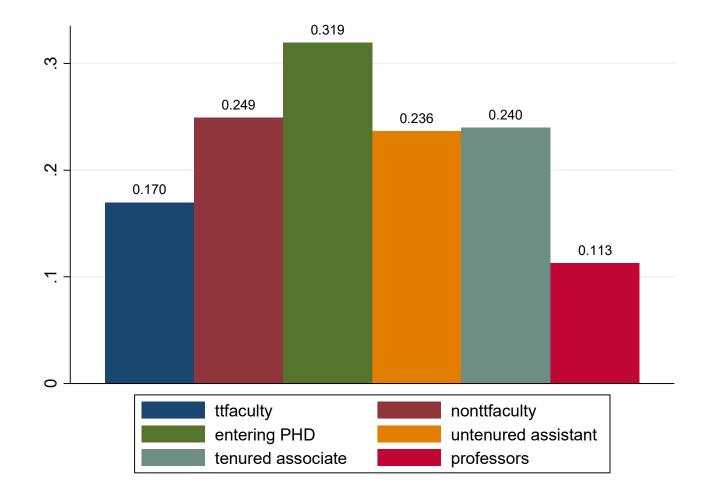
The AFFECT department survey

- We surveyed all universities on UT Dallas top 100 North America and Worldwide list: since there was an overlap it amounted to 126 universities in 14 countries
- The list was as of 2017
- We gathered department chair and administrator e-mails from websites and through contacts
- IRB approval was through LBS
- The survey was sent to department chairs with instructions to forward on to administrators
- We followed up with personal outreach due to many surveys ending up in spam folders
- 1 university opted out of the survey, overall response rate was 83.33% from 12 countries (11 surveys incomplete)

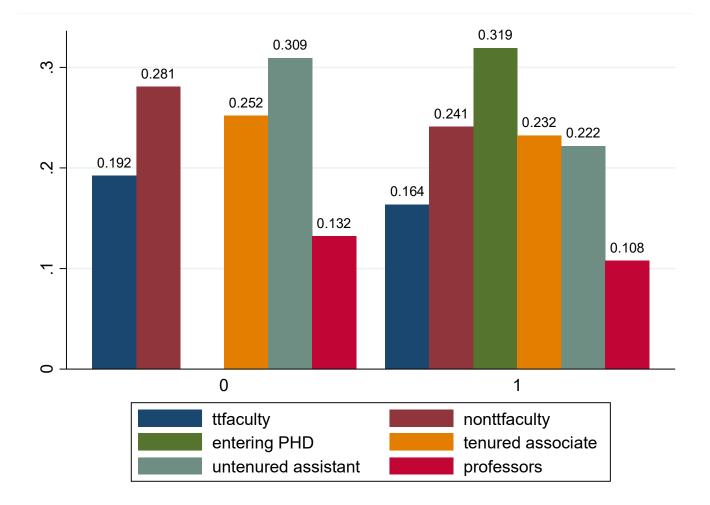
The basics

- All school that responded have at least one woman
- The average department has 17 tenure track faculty and 9 non tenure-track faculty
- 20 departments (19.42%) did not have a PhD program

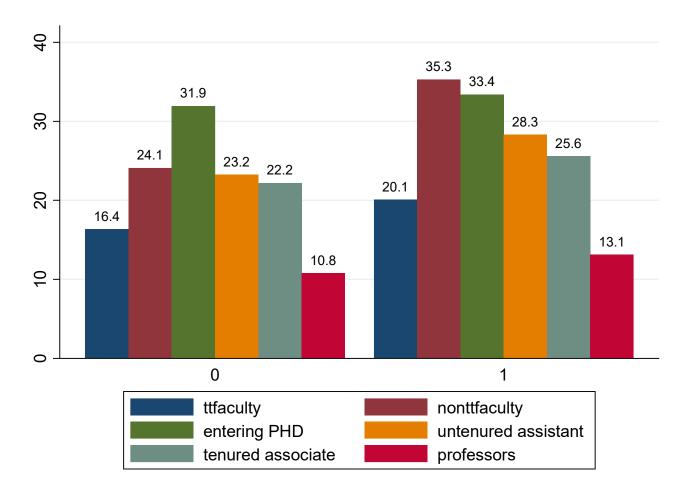
Faculty (gender) diversity



Faculty diversity by PhD program



Benchmarking against CSWEP (Economists=1)



As in Economics:

- The gender gap increases with rank
- The gender gap increases with increased research expectations (doctoral programs)
- BUT: On average, Finance does worse than Economics at every level!

Department survey

- Goal: yearly so can examine trends
- Please encourage your department chair to fill out data/forward to someone who will!

Input welcome!

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