

DEI Development Program for Faculty Searches Step 4 Session Facilitator: Peony Fhagen, PhD

Step 4 Goals:

- To identify policies, practices, processes, and interpersonal dynamics in your department or program that are unhealthy.
- To understand how to create a workplace environment that is inclusive and equitable
- To improve practices for welcoming and retaining new faculty.

Pre-Session work:

- Watch Step 4 presentation
- Read Ch 7, Retaining Faculty: Building Community in the Academic Workplace, From Stewart & Valian's (2018) book *An Inclusive Academy: Achieving Diversity and Excellence*.

Session Discussion Questions:

- Based on the best practices shared in the presentation and summarized in Stewart & Valian's chapter, how does your department or program build community and promote a healthy workplace climate? What are ways your think your department or program could improve?
- 2. How does your department or program plan to welcome new faculty?
- 3. What are some institutional reasons why faculty leave CC or do not have successful third year or tenure reviews?
- 4. In addition to promoting a healthy workplace climate, what are other steps your department/program and CC, more generally, could take to improve faculty retention?