

**Statement of the Faculty Executive Committee urging UNC-CH Board of Trustees to reconsider tenure for Nikole Hannah-Jones**

The Faculty Executive Committee strongly urges the Board of Trustees to uphold the long tradition of respect for recommendations from faculty bodies in hiring and tenure cases, and to take up the matter of tenure for Nikole Hannah-Jones immediately, and to explain to the fullest extent possible, without violating the law, the reasons for its decision. These steps must be undertaken to address a breach of trust in a process that is essential to our standing as a leading public research university.

*Adopted by the Faculty Executive Committee on May 24, 2021*