



NYU Scholars at Risk / Vivian G. Prins Global Scholars Fellowships Instructions

Thanks to the generous support of the Provost's Office and the Vivian G. Prins Foundation, Scholars at Risk announces a call for nominations for the "Vivian G. Prins Global Scholars" fellowships. The fellowships are available to support temporary visits to NYU of up to one year by professors, lecturers, researchers and other intellectuals who have shown potential as important contributors to their discipline and community, and who suffer intimidation or persecution in their home country or country of residence.

Who is eligible? Any scholar who faces risk of persecution on account of belief, scholarship, or identity is eligible. "Risk" includes the threat of or actual repression, violence, censorship, or punishment arising out of the scholar's work, prominence, and/or exercise of fundamental human rights. Scholars inside and outside the US and seeking temporary sanctuary as a result of threats, as well as scholars seeking asylum in the US are eligible. Only scholars that meet appropriate academic standards will be considered.

Nominating and selection process: Any NYU faculty, staff or student may nominate a scholar for consideration. (NYU centers, departments and schools may also contact Scholars at Risk for a list of candidates currently seeking assistance who may be suitable for nomination.) In addition to the nomination form, the nominator should submit a copy of the candidate's CV and a letter describing the candidate's qualifications. Other supporting materials such as letters of references, publications list and background documents are encouraged but not required. SAR reserves the right to check credentials and accounts of the risks faced.

SAR staff will compile nominations for the SAR-NYU Advisory Committee. The Committee will review nominations based on the severity of risk/persecution; the candidate's academic achievement or potential; the quality of the hosting arrangement proposed, including additional support provided by the host center, department or school; and the likelihood that a visit will help the scholar find future opportunities.

Deadline: The deadline for first round nominations is **June 1, 2009**. Nominations will be accepted on a rolling basis thereafter until available funds are committed. The Committee will review submissions and consult with the host department/school before making recommendations to the Provost for approval.

Terms of Award: Fellowships are expected to last for a maximum of one year. Fellows will be appointed through the inviting host center, department or school. Award amounts will vary based on the fellow's level and needs, as well as other available support. Total fellowship awards will be in the range of \$50,000 – \$70,000 *per annum* (including fringes and any host center, department or school support).

Host center, department or school: Hosting centers, departments and schools are encouraged to provide additional support including additional financial support to supplement fellowship funds (including possibly teaching stipends or tuition remission); housing assistance; office space and equipment, including computer, telephone, email/internet access, and office supplies; and administrative support. Centers, departments or schools interested in hosting a candidate are encouraged to contact Scholars at Risk to explore the possibility of collaboration, including to review a current list of SAR scholars seeking hosts. The Committee is interested both in hosts willing to share the costs of a visit, as well as hosts able to offer formal NYU affiliation, office space or other non-financial help.

NYU-SAR Advisory Committee

- Philip Alston, Professor of Law, Director, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice
- Sylvain Cappell, Professor of Mathematics, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences
- Craig Calhoun, Professor, Dept of Sociology
- Shep Forman, Director, Center on Int'l Cooperation
- Michael Gilson, Chair of Middle Eastern Studies
- Tony Judt, Director, Remarque Institute
- Farhad Kazemi, Professor, Dept of Politics
- Catharine Stimpson, Dean, GSAS (Chair)

For more information and to request a nomination form: Please call Scholars at Risk at **212-998-2179** or email scholarsatrisk@nyu.edu.



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Nominator's Name:		School/Department:	
Tel:		E-mail:	
Do you know the candidate? How?			
What school/department would be the best host for the candidate? Did you discuss the nomination with that school/department?			
Scholar's name:		Nationality:	Country of residence:
Tel (Home) :		Tel (Office):	
E-mail:		Fax:	
Mailing Address:		Discipline/Field:	
		Current or last employer:	
Timing: When would the candidate like the fellowship to begin? How long would it to last? (maximum of 1 year)			Amount Requested: \$
Dependants: Please indicate the name, relationship and age of any person who would accompany the candidate.			
Safety: Is it safe to contact the scholar directly? What is the best means of communication?			
Language: Is the candidate fluent in English (reading, writing and speaking)? If not, please indicate English language level and other languages spoken. Please indicate how the visit will take into account any lack of English fluency (such as teaching or research accommodations or any requested English language training).			

Additional materials:

Did you include the candidate's CV or resume?	Yes	No
Did you include the candidate's publication list, if any, and publication samples?	Yes	No
Did you include references (1-3) in support of the candidate's nomination?	Yes	No
Please attach a statement briefly describing why the scholar is a good candidate for the fellowship. The statement should:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe the candidate's background and work, including information about current or last scholarly employment and projects. 2. Describe in detail any instances in which the candidate has been threatened or impeded in her/his work (where possible, please identify the nature and source of any threats) and describe any current threats. 3. Describe any personal considerations which might restrict the candidate's ability to accept a fellowship (such as dependent family members, language restrictions, minimum duration and financial support required, and any other special needs). 4. Describe the prospective benefits of the fellowship to (i) the candidate, (ii) NYU and (iii) the academic community of the candidate's home region. 5. What work would the candidate do during the fellowship? Would the candidate be interested in teaching? If so, what? 6. How is the host center/department/school prepared to support the visit? 		

Inquiries and complete applications should be directed by fax, e-mail or post to:

Fax: 1-212-995-4402
Email: scholarsatrisk@nyu.edu
Phone: 1-212-998-2179

Scholars at Risk Network
194 Mercer Street, Room 410,
New York, NY 10012



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In the space provided below please briefly describe why the scholar is a good candidate for the fellowship. The statement should:

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[Use additional sheets as necessary.]

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