The title of Visiting Scholar is a privilege accorded to scholarly researchers temporarily in residence at SUNY New Paltz. A Visiting Scholar must establish affiliation with an academic department or program for the purpose of engaging in a specific research project approved by the affiliated department/program and the respective academic division. Appointment as a Visiting Scholar shall be for a maximum period of two years or until the specified project is completed. The appointment may be renewed upon approval of subsequent research project(s).

Upon receipt of a Visiting Scholar proposal, the department chair or program director will prepare a memorandum to the Dean explaining the value of the proposed project, its benefit to the department/program, and the timeline for its completion. Attachments to the memo will include the scholar’s proposal, his/her vita, verification of citizenship/visa status, and a summary of external funding (if relevant). Upon approval by the Dean, a letter of offer outlining the conditions* of Visiting Scholar status will be drawn up, approved by the Provost and sent to the candidate for signature.

The Visiting Scholar designation carries with it the following privileges: use of certain campus facilities, including computer resources, the library, and parking. Visiting Scholars must abide by the rules, regulations and expectations of professional conduct that govern the New Paltz campus. They are not employees or students of SUNY New Paltz and therefore are not entitled to compensation or other financial support from the College and will be expected to pay any expenses incurred while on campus.

* These shall include the requirement that all scholarly outputs acknowledge affiliation with SUNY New Paltz.