As a participant in the SUNY New Paltz Scholar’s Mentorship Program, you have the unique opportunity to develop a supportive relationship with faculty, professional staff, and upper-class students who are committed to your success. You will be assigned a Faculty/Staff Mentor and a Peer Mentor. Your responsibilities are listed below. Be sure to fulfill these responsibilities so that you can maximize your educational development and leadership potential.

As a First year protégé, I agree to:

1. Attend all classes regularly;

2. Enroll in and actively participate in BLK 175, “Critical Scholarship in the Education of Historically Underrepresented College Students”;

3. Meet with my faculty/staff mentor at scheduled times (at least three times each semester) and my peer mentor (at least once a week). Critical times are during the third week in the semester, before mid-terms and before final examinations.

4. Notify my Faculty/Staff Mentor, Peer Mentor and Program Director at X2771, of any academic difficulties I encounter; or of any social and or personal difficulties that may affect your performance.

5. Attend and participate in three programs, i.e., social/cultural events, self-enhancement programs or workshops each semester, become a Peer Mentor in your Sophomore or Junior year; take the leadership class and become a leader in at least one campus organization;

6. Follow through on referrals made by my Faculty/Staff Mentor, Peer Mentor, Program Director, which may include recommendations for tutoring, academic advising and/or personal counseling;

7. Strive to maintain at least a 2.75 Grade Point Average;

8. Maintain a positive attitude about myself and my ability to maximize my potential at SUNY New Paltz.

9. In 1st semester spend 3 hours a week in the SMP Center to develop academic success. Attendance will be documented and used as a referral for future opportunities within the SMP Program i.e., employment, scholarships, and mentoring.

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First Year Protégé Signature                  Print Name          Date

Return this signed agreement with your applications to:

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