**The Network**

Scholars at Risk (SAR) is an international network of institutions and individuals whose mission is to protect scholars and promote academic freedom.

**The Scholars**

SAR provides sanctuary and assistance to more than 300 threatened scholars worldwide each year.

Dr. Dolidze fled Georgia in 2006 after experiencing intimidation, surveillance, and arrest in retaliation for her open criticism of Georgian judiciary policies. SAR helped her secure positions at NYU Law School and Western University, Canada, where she later became a tenured professor. While abroad, Dr. Dolidze continued to advocate for justice and human rights in Georgia. In May 2015, she was able to return home safely to begin her new appointment as Deputy Defense Minister.

Dr. Ahmad is a scholar of archaeology who was barred from employment in Syria after receiving his PhD abroad and faced further threats for his work protecting Syrian archaeology amidst the ongoing crisis. Through SAR and the Philipp Schwartz Initiative in Germany, Dr. Ahmad was offered a 2-year fellowship at Heidelberg University. Dr. Ahmad has been able to safely continue his work on classic Syrian archaeology and has participated in several events and trainings to share his expertise on Syria and contribute to local efforts to better support threatened scholars in Europe.

**The Opportunities**

**Membership**

Member organizations make a commitment to academic freedom, designate a SAR representative, and contribute an annual membership subscription.

Learn more at: www.scholarsatrisk.org/join

**Protection**

- Hosting threatened scholars for temporary teaching, research, or study visits
- Referring scholars to the network for assessment, referrals, or transition assistance

**Advocacy**

- Engaging students in Student Advocacy Seminars & Legal Clinics to conduct real-world research and advocacy
- Supporting imprisoned scholars & students through global campaigns
- Conducting research for SAR’s Academic Freedom Monitoring Project

**Learning**

- Attending conferences, workshops, and trainings
- Inviting SAR scholars to campus to share their stories
- Joining research groups on pressing issues facing the global higher education community
- Co-organizing workshops and online courses on Promoting Higher Education Values

**Scholar Disciplines**

- Social Sciences 32%
- Physical & Life Sciences 24%
- Arts & Humanities 17%
- Business & Finance 10%
- Law & Human Rights 5%
- Journalism & Writing 5%
- Medicine & Public Health 4%
- Mathematics & Info. Science 3%

**Risks Frequently Reported by Scholars**

- Threat of arrest or violence
- General situational risk
- Loss of position
- Harassment & intimidation
- Prosecution
- Other

*Note that scholars often report experiencing multiple risks.

**Scholar Countries of Origin**

- Turkey 52%
- Syria 20%
- Iran 6%
- Iraq 4%
- Saudi Arabia 4%
- Other MENA 2%
- Other Asia 2%
- Other Africa 2%
- Other Latin America 2%
- Other Europe 1%
- Other 1%

*Countries with SAR Sections*
Scholars at Risk is a global movement to protect everyone’s freedom to think, question, and share ideas.

Protection

Hosting
SAR informs the network of scholars facing threats. As they are able, members welcome scholars for visits (usually for a year). These scholars enrich their host communities through teaching, research, mentoring, and study.

Advice & Assistance
SAR assists scholars facing immediate danger in their home countries and provides advice and referrals to refugee scholars.

Transition
Some scholars hosted by members face long-term risks. SAR works with these scholars to plan their next steps, including future placements and referrals for additional professional or legal support.

Return
SAR scholars hope to return safely to their home countries. Those whose risks have subsided frequently do so, and they retain a lifelong connection to their host institution.

Advocacy

Scholars in Prison Project Campaigns
SAR raises awareness of and garners support for scholars and students in prison or facing other threats.

Student Advocacy Seminars & Legal Clinics
Guided by faculty, students research & conduct advocacy related to imprisoned scholars & attacks on higher education.

Academic Freedom Monitoring Project
Researchers work with SAR to document and analyze attacks on higher education, including physical violence, imprisonment, prosecution, and restrictions on travel.

Publications
SAR reports and publications, such as *Free to Think*, encourage international dialogue on higher education values and related issues.

Seminars & Legal Clinics
Members invite SAR scholars to campus to share their academic work and stories of courage and perseverance.

Speaker Series
At SAR’s biennial Global Congress, members come together and share best practices for protecting scholars and promoting academic freedom.

Workshops
SAR members co-organize and attend workshops for faculty, researchers, staff, and students on promoting core higher education values.

Working Groups
SAR coordinates working groups on academic freedom-related research and other issues facing the global higher education community.

Learning

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Committee of Concerned Scientists*
International Society for Third-Sector Research*
Johns Hopkins University
University of Baltimore
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Brandeis University
Clark University
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Harvard University
Tufts University
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Wellesley College
Wheaton College
Williams College
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Grand Valley State University
University of Michigan
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Carleton College
Macalester College
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Mississippi
Shakespeare Association of America*
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New Jersey
African Studies Association*
Fairleigh Dickinson University
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New Jersey Institute of Technology
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Brevard College
International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)*
National Humanities Center*
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
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Kent State University
Ohio University
University of Dayton
Oregon
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Pacific University
Pennsylvania
Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies*
Bryn Mawr College
Carnegie Mellon University
Comparative & International Education Society*
Duquesne University
Franklin and Marshall College
Haverford College
Lafayette College
Latin American Studies Association*
Mansfield University of Pennsylvania
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Rhode Island
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Roger Williams University
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The University of Texas at Austin
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Marquette University
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Venezuela
Universidad de Los Andes
Universidad Metropolitana
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Zimbabwe National Students Union

*Sustaining Members
SAR sections or partner networks

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PART 1: DEFINITION AND PURPOSE OF SAR ‘PARTNER NETWORKS’

A SAR ‘Partner Network’ is a cooperation agreement between Scholars at Risk (SAR) and another, pre-existing network of higher education institutions (the ‘Partner’) that shares SAR’s interest in the protection and promotion of academic freedom and related higher education values. The purposes of the arrangement are:

1. To reinforce the Partner by offering new activities and benefits to its existing institutional members;
2. To strengthen protection and promotion of academic freedom and related higher education values by increasing the number and variety of higher education institutions engaged in SAR activities, specifically by:
   a. offering the Partner and its institutional members opportunities to participate in SAR activities;
   b. encouraging them to participate in such activities, at their discretion, individually or in groups;
   c. coordinating services for the Partner and any institutional members that choose to take part in SAR partner network-related activities, including any joint projects which may be developed.

PART 2: RIGHTS & OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTNER (REQUIREMENTS)

The rights and obligations of membership include the following. There are no other obligations of membership.

- **Commitment to academic freedom:** The Partner commits to the principle that scholars should be free to work without fear or intimidation, as set forth in the Scholars at Risk network’s founding statement (see other side).
- **Official SAR representative:** Partners designate a primary representative to communicate with the SAR office and network, including receiving information about scholars seeking temporary assistance and other network activities.
- **Partner network coordination:** The Partner and SAR will consult and agree on suitable arrangements for communicating information to partner network members, including invitations to participate in SAR-related activities, updates on such activities, invitations to seek membership in the global SAR network, invitations to events, and reports and other information concerning higher education values. The Partner and SAR will agree on an appropriate name for the partner network, which would generally include reference to both entities.
- **Rights of membership:** Partners in good standing have the same rights of affiliate members of the global SAR network and are eligible to vote at membership meetings; receive discounts on event admission; and receive preferential consideration for services, internships and other opportunities.
- **Confidentiality:** Members commit to keeping SAR scholar information confidential and to prioritize a SAR scholar’s privacy preferences at all times, including during selection, placement or speaking events on campus.

PART 3: RIGHTS & OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTNER’S INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS

By entering into a ‘Partner Network’ with SAR, the Partner does not make an individual membership decision for its institutional members. The Partner commits to offering its institutional members opportunities to participate in SAR activities, to encouraging them to participate and seek membership in the global SAR network, and to coordinating with SAR the activities of the partner network, as stated in Part 1 (Purposes) and Part 2 (Obligations) above. The Partner and SAR will refer to the partner network by the agreed name. They may describe it as a partnership between SAR and the Partner that offers all of the Partner’s institutional members the opportunity to take part in SAR partner network activities, but will only identify by name those institutions which have individually agreed to partner network membership. Similarly, SAR will not identify any of the Partner’s individual institutional members as members of the global SAR network unless the institution has separately agreed to seek membership. SAR and the Partner will agree on how to inform the Partner’s institutional members of the new partner network and to invite their participation. This shall include sharing SAR’s ‘Institutional Membership Agreement.’

PART 4: OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION BY THE PARTNER & PARTNER NETWORK MEMBERS (OPTIONAL)

Participation in any specific SAR activity, including hosting scholars, is at the discretion of each institution. SAR provides opportunities for Partners and partner network members to engage at all levels, including: (1) **Hosting lectures, panels and other events**, including SAR Speaker Series events, featuring SAR scholars; (2) **Advocating on behalf of imprisoned, detained or unjustly prosecuted scholars** through the Scholars in Prison Project or through a faculty-led Student Advocacy Seminar; (3) **Promoting academic freedom** through the Academic Freedom Monitoring Project and related research; (4) **Hosting threatened scholars** as temporary visitors, students, researchers, or professors. Affiliates will have access to courageous and inspiring educators for academic visits and will receive direct assistance in making arrangements and in counseling scholar-visitors about relocation, adjustment, job searching and post-visit transitions; (5) **Participating in SAR conferences** on academic freedom, university autonomy and related higher education issues; (6) **Student internship and alumni engagement**, through public events and visiting scholar mentorship opportunities; (7) **Helping to shape SAR’s priorities** and direction, including by suggesting new activities.
PART 5: JOIN THE NETWORK

1. YES, [NAME OF INSTITUTION] ____________________________ agrees to form a partner network with Scholars at Risk, to be known as the ____________________________.

2. OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE:

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☐ I agree to my personal data being stored and used to receive SAR-related information and offers, subject to SAR's Privacy Policy.

3. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION:

Membership Levels  Please select one.

☐ Sustaining Membership  (US$ 5,000): This membership subscription reflects the costs of SAR services to scholars and institutions. Scholars at Risk Sustaining Members receive the full rights and opportunities of membership and will be recognized in the SAR website, events and communications.

☐ Contributing Membership  (US$ 1,000): Institutions interested in exploring membership below the sustaining level are offered the opportunity to join at this level, reflecting SAR’s desire to encourage wide participation in the network.

Payment Method  Please select one.

☐ Check payable to “Scholars at Risk/NYU”

☐ Credit card: Visit www.scholarsatrisk.org

☐ Wire transfer: Contact SAR for instructions.

☐ Please send an invoice.

☐ We would like to request a reduction to US$____ or waiver.

4. SUBMIT FORM & PAYMENT: Scholars at Risk Network c/o New York University 411 Lafayette St., 3rd Floor New York, NY, 10003 USA

Email: scholarsatrisk@nyu.edu Tel: +1-212-998-2179

FOUNDING STATEMENT OF THE SCHOLARS AT RISK NETWORK

RECOGNIZING the central importance of scholarship, academic freedom, and higher education for the promotion and protection of peaceful, democratic societies; recognizing that academic communities worldwide, including scholars, administrators, students, and their institutions, have long been targets of attack by agents seeking to curtail expression, silence dissent, and control the flow of information in society; recognizing that such attacks, against any member of the global academic community, threaten the common educational mission of every member of that community; recognizing the shared responsibility of all scholars, administrators, students and their institutions to join in solidarity in defense of their colleagues; and further recognizing that past and ongoing efforts to meet that responsibility on an individual, ad hoc, or emergency basis, despite much success, have failed to eliminate the need for common action, we RESOLVE that there should be established a permanent network of universities, colleges and similar centers of research, study and teaching; that this network, in collaboration with like minded institutions, groups and individuals, should dedicate itself to protecting the fundamental human rights of scholars and other members of the global academic community, including among them independent scholars, public intellectuals, writers, artists, and others engaged in the discovery, development and strengthening of the community of ideas; that among its activities, this network should devote its greatest energies to assisting scholars facing the most grave threats to their being and to their profession, including but not limited to threats resulting from displacement, discrimination, censorship, intimidation, harassment, and violence; that where these threats are of such gravity that other forms of assistance would prove ineffective or insufficient, the network should endeavor to provide positions of personal and professional sanctu-

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PRIVACY

At Scholars at Risk (SAR), we understand that privacy is a very important issue. In the course of serving our mission, SAR may receive information which may be considered “personally identifiable,” “personal,” or “sensitive” under relevant laws and regulations, including from websites, forms, emails, correspondence, or personal communication. SAR does not sell, lease, distribute, or otherwise use such information for any purpose other than sharing information about SAR services and activities. By continuing to use SAR’s services or submitting personal information to us, you are agreeing to the terms of SAR’s PRIVACY POLICY, which explains how SAR handles such information. You may modify or rescind your consent at any time at MANAGE PREFERENCES.