

Resolution 2008-4. On Commending the Scholars at Risk Program.

The Faculty Council recognizes that:

- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is rich in international research and study abroad programs, and our faculty benefit from participation in many international conferences and collaborations;
- Carolina has an important leadership role in the international sphere of scholarship and scientific research;
- Many members of the international scholarly and intellectual community suffer persecution in their home countries, sometimes including threats to their lives and those of their family;
- Scholars are often singled out by authoritarian regimes because of their international prominence and cosmopolitan intellectual orientation;
- Scholars at Risk (SAR) is an international network of universities and colleges devoted to finding temporary positions for endangered scholars; and
- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been an official SAR campus since 2007; and
- By hosting scholars for periods of six to eight months, Carolina recognizes our responsibility to the international scholarly community from which we have derived so many benefits through international collaborations and opportunities.

Therefore, the Faculty Council resolves:

The Scholars at Risk program is commended as worthy of the University's encouragement and support, both moral and financial.

Presented by the Agenda Committee on request of Professors Judith Blau, Trude Bennett, Beth Kurtz-Costes, and Sarah Shields.