Call for Nominations for appointments beginning in the 2014-15 academic year

The Council for International Teaching and Research invites nominations from all disciplines of candidates for a Princeton Global Scholar (GS) appointment. The Global Scholars program seeks to intensely engage the world’s best scholars and teachers in Princeton departments, programs, schools and centers via recurring, multi-year visiting appointments that allow a GS to spend significant time on campus each year, over a period of three years. The teaching and scholarly activities of GS’s more fully internationalize campus life and add vital new voices from abroad to our intellectual environment, as well as create and sustain durable ties between Princeton and academic centers of excellence worldwide.

Global Scholars are required to return to the Princeton campus for visits of at least six weeks on a recurring basis over a period of several years while also based in a current, long term position at a scholarly institution abroad, and must make substantial contributions to both Princeton’s educational and research missions. Within these broad constraints, the Council will consider a very wide variety of specific arrangements as proposed by the nominating unit of the University.

Nominating departments, schools, centers and programs are requested to describe in detail how they propose to integrate the candidate Global Scholar into their teaching and research/scholarship programs. Additionally they should specify the ways in which nominees will build bridges between Princeton and the candidate’s home institution. This plan should be consistent with the proposed cadence and durations of the nominee’s stays on campus.

The Council will consider nominations for appointments of suitable scholars from institutions worldwide for academic year 2014-15, with special consideration for candidates to defer appointments to 2015-16. This year there will be funding available for scholars from institutions in East Asia. Global Scholar appointments receive financial support from the Council for research activities, with financial support for teaching activities born by the nominating department or program. Advanced consultation with the Director of the Council may be helpful in clarifying these considerations. In normal circumstances each GS will present a lecture, or lecture series, suitable for University audiences beyond the host department or other unit.

Possibilities (not exclusive) for GS appointment arrangements:
- One semester per academic year over a 3 year period
- One or more extended (perhaps sabbatical) visits for an entire semester interspersed with shorter visits in other years over a period of 3 years
- Fixed duration, a month to six weeks’ visits to campus each academic year for 3 years

Possibilities (not exclusive) for GS pedagogical activities:
- Teach or co-teach an undergraduate or graduate course or seminar (with prior departmental and Dean of the Faculty approval and budgeted through the nominating department)
- Co-supervise undergraduate independent work or graduate student research projects
- Contribute regularly to an ongoing intellectual forum on campus, either an already existing one or a new one developed by the host unit
- Develop a collaborative educational program between their home institution and Princeton (requires prior University approval)

These possibilities do not exclude other options, and nominations based on creative arrangements and initiatives are welcomed provided they effectively address the goals of the Global Scholars program.
Along with the Global Scholar’s research salary, the Council allocates funding annually for programming and exchanges between the Scholar’s home and host institution. Programming funds for Scholars visiting campus one full 15 week semester are $10,000 and less than one semester $5,000.

Nomination Procedure

An initial short (1-2 page) memo from Department Chairs, School Deans, Program or Center Directors should be submitted electronically to Sharon Kulik, sakulik@princeton.edu, by November 22, 2013, that briefly describes:

- the candidate’s scholarship and teaching qualifications
- the general plan for the candidate’s GS appointment (in terms of both time to be spent at Princeton and activities while on campus, as well as plans for building partnerships between the Scholar’s home institution and Princeton)
- the ways in which the Scholar’s presence would foster exchanges of scholars and students between Princeton and their home institution.

Only one pre-nomination per University unit will be accepted. At this stage, nominators are not required to discuss this proposal with the potential GS candidate.

Following discussion and preliminary review of the pre-nominations, submission of a formal nomination with full supporting materials will be invited in those cases which appear to likely result in a GS appointment. It is at this stage that nominators should discuss the proposal with candidates. The formal nomination with supporting materials should be submitted to Sharon Kulik, sakulik@princeton.edu, by the deadline date specified at the time of the invitation, typically 6 to 8 weeks later.

Formal Nomination Materials:

- A detailed plan for the proposed GS appointment which specifies at least the following elements:
  - The timeline of the GS’s presence on campus, including the expected origination and end dates of the appointment and the number and duration of individual visits as well as the overall period of the appointment if less than three years. Residency dates should be dedicated within the Princeton teaching periods according to the academic calendar year and not during recesses.
  - The GS’s involvement with and contributions to the University’s and the nominating unit’s educational mission, including the category or categories of students (undergraduate or graduate, concentrators or non-concentrators, upper or under classmen etc.) with which the GS would interact extensively.
  - Scholarly and research activities in which the GS is expected to engage to the benefit of the nominating unit and the University at large, including (if relevant) identification of any individual members of the University faculty and research staff with which the GS would likely collaborate.
  - The ways in which the Scholar’s presence would foster exchanges of scholars and students between Princeton and their home institution.
  - Additional sources of funding from hosting Princeton departments, programs or schools.

- A letter of nomination from the Department Chair or unit Director which outlines the following:
  - The scholarly and pedagogical qualifications and stature of nominee both in general and in the context of his or her suitability for a GS position at Princeton.
  - A specific explanation of the ways in which the proposed GS appointment would serve the goals of the GS program as described in the first paragraph of this document, both for the nominating unit and for the broad Princeton community.
  - The availability of the nominee in terms of necessary time and effort.
  - The availability of other resources (office and/or lab space, computer and/or special library access etc.) needed to support the GS’s activities on campus.

- Three letters of reference from qualified experts not at Princeton or the nominee’s home institution
- A curriculum vitae for the nominee
Selection Process:
The Council for International Teaching and Research will review all nominations and make selections based on the expected effectiveness of the appointment in advancing the goals of the Global Scholars program and in view of financial constraints. All GS appointments also require approval by the Dean of the Faculty.

Further information about the Global Scholars program and the Scholars currently visiting Princeton can be found at: http://www.princeton.edu/international/partnerships/council/scholars/