

Connecticut State University System

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BR#99-36



RESOLUTION

concerning

AMENDMENT TO THE
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
POLICY ON VISITING SCHOLARS

June 11, 1999

WHEREAS, In 1989, the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System adopted a policy on the exchange of Visiting Scholars with overseas universities, and

WHEREAS, There is a provision in this policy which prohibits Visiting Scholars holding a J-1 Visa from serving as instructor of record, and

WHEREAS, The J-1 Visa is specifically designed to allow foreign scholars to share their ideas and expertise at U.S. institutions as teachers and lecturers at post-secondary accredited educational institutions, and

WHEREAS, Federal guidelines do not prohibit these individuals from serving as instructor of record, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Board Resolution 89-179 is amended to allow Visiting Scholars holding a J-1 Visa to serve as instructor of record at any of the universities in the CSU System.

A Certified True Copy:

William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor



Office of the President

RESOLUTION

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concerning

VISITING SCHOLARS

at

CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

September 8, 1989


- WHEREAS, Connecticut State University is committed to providing its students and faculty an international perspective; and
- WHEREAS, Exchange of Visiting Scholars with overseas universities abroad is one way of gaining that perspective; and
- WHEREAS, There is a need to define University policy for such Visiting Scholars; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That a "Visiting Scholar" is defined as an academic professional from another country temporarily residing at a unit of CSU to lecture, observe, conduct research, or engage in other educational activity; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the University may recruit Visiting Scholars to fill regular faculty positions. Such individuals must hold H Visas, which are required of non-resident aliens permitted to accept employment in the United States; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That Visiting Scholars who are not appointed to regular faculty positions must hold J Visas, which are required of those in "Exchange Visitor" status as defined by the Federal government. Such visa holders may not accept regular employment while in the United States. The University may offer these Visiting Scholars a stipend intended to offset, fully or partially, personal maintenance costs; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That in determining the level of stipend for J Visa holders, the University shall make a distinction between Type I Scholars invited to the campus to serve primarily a University objective and Type II Scholars primarily fulfilling their own, their home institution's or some other sponsor's agenda. In neither case can the Visiting Scholar serve as instructor of record; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That Type I J Visa holders shall receive a monthly stipend equal to that established for comparable Fulbright Scholars from abroad. This stipend is based on the cost of living, and is the same for Type I visiting Scholars regardless of rank, experience, or duties; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That Type II J Visa holders may or may not receive a stipend. If granted, a stipend may provide up to \$5,000 per semester, or prorated portion thereof. This stipend is considered a supplement to personal or home institution support and is granted by the University only as a professional courtesy, or to reciprocate similar courtesies extended to University staff members visiting those Scholars' home institutions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the University shall require Visiting Scholars on a J Visa to purchase health insurance unless it has proof that the Visiting Scholar's off campus sponsor has provided adequate coverage. The University shall make health insurance, comparable to that offered to international students, available to Visiting Scholars.

A Certified True Copy:


Dallas K. Beal
President