

Visiting Professors Policy – Sociology Department

Goals:

1. Ensure a diverse group of visiting professors to the department, in terms of geography and areas of expertise.
2. Ensure that visiting professors feel welcome and supported during their stay.
3. Ensure that the department benefits from their visit.

Guidelines listed below are all based on ensuring that we meet these 3 goals.

Selection of visitors

Priority when selecting visitors will be given to:

1. Visitors who are collaborating with members of the department.
2. Visiting Professors, those who have positions from which they are leaving and to which they will return after the visit.
3. Visitors from diverse geographical regions and areas of expertise and who complement the interests and strengths of the department.
4. Visitors who are staying for a length of time of between 6 months to 1 year.

Requirements of visitors

Each visitor must:

1. Provide a CV and letter of application.
2. Provide references when applying.
3. Be approved by the visiting faculty committee.
4. Cover the costs of their visa and other administrative costs.
5. Give a talk in the department.

Requirements of the department

The department will provide the following:

1. Office space. Given limited office space, we can only host 2-3 visitors at a time.
2. University resources, as approved by faculty relations (library access, etc.)
3. Invitations to department events (lectures, social events, etc.)
4. Facilitation of scholarly interaction (committee members and anyone else who is interested will meet with scholars on a regular basis, help make introductions across campus, etc.)

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