

Procedural Information

2017-2018 Academic Year

The Visiting Scholar Program makes available every year a dozen or more distinguished scholars who travel to colleges and universities with chapters of Phi Beta Kappa, spending two days at each one and taking full part in the academic life of the institution. During each two-day visit, the Scholar will give a general lecture, free and open to the public, take part in class and seminar discussions, and meet informally with students and faculty. The emphasis of the visit is on undergraduate participation.

A Scholar will be invited to make visits in response to chapter requests and subject to the Scholar's other obligations. Since it is not possible to fill all of the chapters' requests, priority will be given to those institutions not located in major metropolitan centers or that do not have extensive resources on which to draw for similar programs.

Schedules will be worked out by the national office in accordance with requests received from the chapters by April 17, 2017. The proposed dates of the Scholar's visit will be submitted to the chapter during the late spring or early summer. If the dates are acceptable, they should be confirmed by the chapter as soon as possible after notice is received.

A service fee of \$500, to be paid by the sponsoring chapter, the interested departments, the sheltering institution, or by all jointly, will be billed against the chapter at the beginning of the semester in which the visit takes place. The sponsoring groups will also be responsible for the costs of housing, meals, and local transportation while the Scholar is their guest.