Resolution of NYU’s Student Senators Council
SSC Supports NYU’s Membership in the IIE Syria Consortium & Support for Syrian Students and Scholars

WHEREAS, the Syrian Civil War is in its fifth year, and there is no indication that a peaceful resolution to the conflict is forthcoming,

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Syrians have died and millions have fled the country since the beginning of the conflict,

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Syrian scholars and students are among those displaced,

WHEREAS, these scholars and students require emergency assistance and refuge,

WHEREAS, it is the moral obligation of all capable parties and institutions to provide this assistance,

WHEREAS, dozens of American colleges and universities— including Bard College, Boston University, Bryn Mawr College, Colorado State University, De Paul University, Dartmouth University, Emory University, Institute of Technology, Illinois State University, Hanover College, Maryville University, Monmouth College, Montclair State University, Notre Dame School of Law, Tufts University, University of California- Davis, University of Colorado- Colorado Springs, and others—have taken up this charge by joining the Institute of International Education’s Syria Consortium for Higher Education in Crisis and by thereby committing to offer scholarships and spaces to Syrian students and scholars fleeing for their lives,

WHEREAS, New York University’s core values compel it to act in solidarity with Syrian students and scholars, in keeping with its commitment to develop “in this immense and fast-growing city ... a system of rational and practical education fitting for all and graciously opened to all,”

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THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the New York University will join the IIE’s Syria Consortium for Higher Education in Crisis and will commit to offer specific spaces and funding to Syrian refugee students and scholars, by no later than the end of the 2015-2016 Academic Year,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, that the New York University Office of the Provost will issue a public statement detailing the specific spaces and financial assistance that it will provide to Syrian refugee students and scholars, by no later than the end of the 2015-2016 Academic Year.

As Proposed by Senator Wee
March 3, 2016

Resolution adapted from University of Southern California Graduate Student Government’s resolution on the same matter.\textsuperscript{6}

\textsuperscript{6} https://gsg.usc.edu/sites/gsg.usc.edu/files/GSG.Resolution.SyriaConsortium.pdf

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