



Library Advisory Council

Charge

The Sojourner Truth Library, in order to stay at the heart of learning and scholarship at SUNY New Paltz, must remain informed about the changing information needs of the community. The Library Advisory Council (hereafter “Council”) provides the Dean of the Library with feedback and advice from a diverse range of faculty and student stakeholders, about ways in which the library can continue to meet its [mission](#).

Working Principles

The Council meets monthly during the academic year, or as needed.

Council members serve a minimum of one year.

The Council, in its membership, seeks the perspectives of faculty from all schools, and of currently enrolled students from the undergraduate and graduate populations.

As part of their participation in this group, Council members are encouraged to make their membership on the Council known to their school or constituency and to solicit ideas and concerns from them for discussion at meetings. They should also use whatever reasonable means they can to be available to their constituents and to report back to them any substantive discussions or recommendations by the Council.

Any member of the Council may nominate new members. New members will be approved by consensus of the Council.

Business for discussion by the Council may include but is not limited to:

- programs, services, and activities of the Library
- library collections
- the library building

The Library Council has no budget or fundraising function.

Guests may attend meetings at the invitation of the Council. Those interested in attending should contact the Chair or Dean well in advance.

Library Advisory Council Members

Chair

Thomas Olsen (English)

School of Business

Jun Lin (Business)

School of Education

Mary Sawyer (Secondary Education)

School of Fine & Performing Arts

Reva Wolf (Art History)

School of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Thomas Olsen (English)

Akira Shimada (History)

School of Science & Engineering

Hanh Pham (Computer Science)

Student Members

Nadia Alirahi

Mike Herrera

[As of October 2013]