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Interfaith Circle

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Latest News

In this section, you will find the latest news about the Interfaith Initiative at Virginia Tech.

[Participants in Interfaith Dialogue will talk about educators' awareness of worldview differences | VT News](#)

Participate in the Interfaith Brown Bag Lunch Online Dialogue on Thursday, April 23, noon to 1 p.m. Open to faculty, staff, students, and community members. RSVP at www.dos.vt.edu/brownbag.

[Read the campus notice](#)



Why interfaith?

why interfaith:

Here we share articles about the importance of investing in interfaith dialogue and cooperation in contemporary society.

[Moving Interfaith Programs to Online Spaces | Interfaith Youth Core](#)

Our program at VT was mentioned in this post from the Interfaith Youth Core about how Campus Innovation grantees who didn't want their planned projects to lose momentum during this time are moving online. Read how they moved their programming online, and in some cases saw more participation from students than before.

[Read the article](#)



Learning about diverse traditions

Appreciative knowledge is an important part in the interfaith triangle. In this section, we share information to expand our religious, spiritual, and secular literacy, featuring different traditions/worldviews every week.

[Coronavirus Is Upending Many Of The World's Biggest Religious Holidays](#)

Nearly every major religion has an important holiday in April — which means it will be a month of surreal new changes for American believers. Read the article on how faith communities are working to make meaningful virtual gatherings to celebrate holidays – among hindus, buddhists, christians, jews, sikhs, and muslims.

[Read the article](#)



Diverse ways to live and to find meaning in life

Here, we share stories about how people find different ways to find meaning and purpose in their lives.

Practices to build awareness of our Unity

Be mindful of the spiritual teaching of “one hand, one heart” — all our individual appearances are specific manifestations of the Whole Essence. This concept of Divine Oneness—of a prevailing unity behind the appearance of diversity—is a central theme in many mystical traditions. Read this article from the Fetzer Institute.

[Read the article](#)



Engage with the Interfaith Initiative at VT

Participate in interfaith dialogue and cooperation at Virginia Tech. All are welcome, as the interfaith circle includes all religious, non-religious, spiritual, and secular identities.

Interfaith Hangout Online (April 14)

The third Interfaith Hangout will be on Tuesday April 14 at 5:30 pm. The Hangout is an informal opportunity to catch up, talk about the things we like and value, and just be together. Everyone is welcome to participate. RSVP at dos.vt.edu/hangout.
[RSVP for the Hangout](#)



Evening Dialogue Online: The Power of Interfaith Friendships (April 29)

Undergraduate and graduate students: come participate in dialogues with people from diverse identities! Next date: Wednesday, April 29, 5:30 to 7 pm. RSVP at dos.vt.edu/dialogue.
[RSVP for the Evening Dialogue](#)



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