

Newsletter | Week 16

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Interfaith Circle

This weekly newsletter is promoted by the Dean of Students Office at VT, in support of the [new Interfaith Initiative](#).
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Latest News

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

Interfaith Together Dinner: You are invited!

Join us for an event to engage with and celebrate diverse religious, spiritual, and secular worldviews at Virginia Tech. Food from diverse traditions + dialogues + collective art. Thursday, February 20, 5:30 – 7:00 pm. RSVP at www.dos.vt.edu/interfaithdinner. [Click to RSVP](#)



Why interfaith?

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

Interfaith Relationships: The Path to Truth, with Ghazala Hayat

In this TED talk, Dr. Hayat discusses religious tolerance, including primary education about another religion, and using this respect and understanding to reveal truths about ourselves and his or her religious beliefs.

[Watch the video](#)



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.

Invoking Compassion Within — The Interfaith Observer

In this article, Habīb Todd Boerger reminds us that each of the Abrahamic faiths directs us to love and care for others, as we love and care for ourselves. Habīb writes about an approach to understanding compassion grounded in Islam and Muslim spiritual practices.

[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.

What Do You Believe In?

What do you believe in? Jack Harries spent the last couple of months collecting responses to that question from all around the world through the power of Skype. He received over 3000 individual video responses from over 20 countries. This 5-minute video is the final result.

[Watch the video](#)



Interfaith Resources

Here, we share resources and content in support of interfaith activities and observances.

Calendar of Holy Days | January to April

Religious Calendar – January to April 2020.

The calendar created by Dr. Peter Yuichi Clark (UCSF Spirit Care Services), is an excellent way to keep on top of religious high holy days and festivals as they go by.

[Access the calendar](#)



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 Brown Bag Lunches – Spring 2020

Participate in a dialogue with people from diverse worldviews. Discussions about world issues through an interfaith lens. Dates: February 6, February 27, March 26, April 23. Time: 12 to 1 pm. Location: Smith Career Center – Meeting Room B. Open the flyer to see the topics for conversation!

[Open the flyer](#)

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Brown Bag Lunch Discussions
Thursdays, always from 12 to 1 pm
Smith Career Center - Meeting Room B

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February 6 - Spiritual development in college
February 27 - Understanding religious diversity in the U.S.
March 26 - Being a positive presence for students exploring questions of faith and purpose
April 23 - Educators' awareness of worldview differences

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Interfaith Evening Dialogues for Students – Spring 2020

Undergraduate and graduate students: come participate in dialogues with people from diverse identities! Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 pm – February 5, March 4, April 1, April 29. Open the flyer to see the topics and the location for each dialogue.

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February 5 - Exploring existential questions while in college | 3310 Torgersen Hall
March 4 - Intersecting social and (non) religious identities in college | 3310 Torgersen Hall
April 1 - Participate in an interfaith service project | 250 New Classroom Building
April 29 - The power of interfaith friendships | 3310 Torgersen Hall

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