

POLICY FOR INTERFAITH FORUM

[United against Hostility]

INTRODUCTION

Our world continues to be beset by conflict and intolerance with the rising number of violent activities. We are unfortunately witnessing messages of hate spreading discord among people. It is imperative that we double our efforts to spread the message of Love and Peace based on our common humanity a message portrayed by traditions of all Faiths.

Interfaith forum is a concrete and enjoyable way to bridge gaps between different religions. Many different religious proclaim that service to others in one of the noblest human acts. By combining and uniting for the common purpose of serving and helping others, adherents of separate religions may find that they have more in common that they had previously thought.

Sustainable development through interfaith harmony

To expand awareness across difference faiths and fostering mutual support among campus religious organizations in particular, this forum acts as an umbrella organization for all religious groups at Loyola regardless of their participation.

At the core of all the faith systems and traditions is the recognition, that we are all in this together and we need to love and support one another to live in harmony and peace in an environmentally sustainable society.

A key component of this forum is facilitating interfaith dialogue and interfaith networking for collaborating community service initiatives.

ACTIVITIES :

The forum's main activities are:

- Prayers
- Inter-faith dialogues
- Pilgrimage trips
- Celebration of Festivals

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INTERFAITH YOUTH CORE :

We're creating an ecosystem of people designed to make interfaith cooperation the norm, while creating the next generation of interfaith leaders.

PRINCIPLES :

The Religions for peace network advances multi-religious cooperation consistent with five guiding principles.

- Respect religious differences
- Act on deeply held and widely shared values.
- Preserve the identity of each religious community
- Honour the different ways religious communities are organized.
- Support locally led multi-religious structures.
- Interfaith is inclusive and honours all people, religions and spiritual traditions.
- Interfaith is a way of life that allows each person to express the Devine in their own way.