Office of Spiritual Life: supporting spiritual development throughout the Simmons community

The Office of Spiritual Life (OSL) at Simmons facilitates the spiritual development and needs of students, provides and coordinates activities to promote human development and leadership skills, encourages the development of a sacred consciousness and social responsibility, makes opportunities for students to serve people in need through community service, offers referrals to local houses of worship, offers listening for individual counseling, and provides opportunities for interfaith, inter-cultural programming and dialogue for the entire Simmons community.

Stop by the Office of Spiritual Life, Main College Building (MCB), Room W-009, (Fens Level), during office hours or schedule an appointment with any of our staff members.

Contact Our Whole Staff: spirituallife@simmons.edu or find us on Facebook: “Simmons Spiritual-Life”

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There are many ways to celebrate faith and explore your spiritual development on campus. Below is a list of religiously affiliated student organizations to help you get connected. Interested in starting up a faith based organization not currently listed? Contact the Office of Spiritual Life to learn how to start a group!

Visit the groups online: http://my.simmons.edu/life/leadership/organizations/religious.shtml

Catholic Student Association (CSA): csa@simmons.edu, Facebook group: "Simmons Catholic Student Association"
The Catholic Student Association is dedicated to fostering Catholic community at Simmons through worship, dialogue, service, and programming in order to broaden the social, spiritual, and intellectual horizons of its members. Be a part of something that supports Simmons students’ spiritual growth while supporting your own faith development in your life here at college. Students interested in Catholic life on campus, serving as community leader, and helping our community grow should be in touch with the Catholic Chaplain.

Fellowship of Campus Unitarian Universalists at Simmons (FOCUUS): focus@simmons.edu
Unitarian Universalism is a radically inclusive, spiritually alive, and justice centered non-creedal faith tradition that affirms and encourages the inherent worth and dignity of every person in their search for truth and meaning. We promote shared spiritual growth in our communities through inspirational worship and revolutionary ministry.

Simmons Christian Fellowship: christianfellowship@simmons.edu
Simmons Christian Fellowship is a non-denominational Christian community affiliated with Real Life Boston and Campus Crusade for Christ International. We seek to encourage other Christians on campus as well as create a safe space for spiritual discussion and growth for those exploring faith. We host weekly life groups, attend events on and off campus, and host events that help further our mission on campus.

Simmons Gospel Choir: gospel@simmons.edu
Simmons Gospel Choir practices weekly during the academic year and performs in concerts at Simmons & throughout the COF.

Simmons Hillel: online: www.simmons.edu/~hillel, email: hillel@simmons.edu
Hillel at Simmons is your center for Jewish life on campus. We are an energetic group of students who share an interest in Judaism and a desire to celebrate our Jewish identity! Simmons Hillel offers a variety of social, educational, cultural and religious programming throughout the year. The Jewish community at Simmons is always looking for new leadership and interest! Make an appointment with Hillel Director Ailene Gerhardt for more information about Jewish life at Simmons.

Simmons Islamic Society (SIS): msa@simmons.edu
SIS is a diverse group of Muslim women: self-directed, inclusive, and regular contributors to the discourse of what makes Simmons great. Programs are designed to support personal faith and understanding, and to raise awareness of Islam on campus. SIS collaborates with other student organizations in cultural, charitable, and interfaith activities. SIS is open to new members and new ways to achieve balance in college/spiritual life.

Zen Buddhist: joshuasandeman@yahoo.com
Josh Sandeman, Simmons nursing graduate student, offers traditional Zen Meditation on campus once a week for an hour. Sponsored by the Office of Spiritual Life & the School for Health Studies.