

**Association for College and University Religious Affairs  
(ACURA)  
Annual Meeting  
October 26-28, 2014  
Tufts University  
Medford, Massachusetts**

**Borders, Frontiers, and Intersections in  
Higher Education Spiritual Life**

**SCHEDULE (Tentative)**

**Sunday, October 26, 2014**

**3:00 p.m.**

Check-in to hotel Hilton Homewood Suites Hotel, Arlington, Massachusetts

**3:30 p.m.**

Transportation from hotel to Goddard Chapel, Tufts University

**4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Registration and Welcome Reception Goddard Chapel, Tufts University  
Hook and Hastings Organ Demonstration, Music Director [Dr. Janet Hunt](#)  
• Wine, cheese, and other beverages provided

**6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Dinner, Greetings, and Presentation Coolidge Room, Ballou Hall  
Tufts University

- Greetings  
The Reverend [Greg McGonigle](#), University Chaplain, Tufts University  
[Michael Baenen](#), Chief of Staff, Office of the President, Tufts University  
The Reverend [Sam Speers](#), Assistant Dean of the College for Campus Life  
and Director of Religious and Spiritual Life, Vassar College, ACURA  
President
- Musical Performance by the [Tufts University Beelzebubs](#)
- Presentation: [Jessica Martínez](#), Research Associate, Pew Research Center  
Religion and Public Life Project

**9:00 p.m.**

Transportation back to hotel

**Monday, October 27, 2014**

**6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**

Complimentary breakfast offered at hotel

**8:15 a.m.**

Transportation from hotel to Goddard Chapel, Tufts University

**9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.**

Coffee and Gathering

Goddard Chapel, Tufts University

**9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Active Citizenship, Global Learning, and Spirituality

Goddard Chapel  
Tufts University

- The Reverend [Janet Cooper Nelson](#) AG72, University Chaplain, Brown University
- [Heather Curtis](#), Associate Professor of Religion, Tufts University
- The Reverend Greg McGonigle, University Chaplain, Tufts University
- [Alan Solomont](#) A70, Dean, Jonathan M. Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service, Tufts University; Former U.S. Ambassador to Spain and Andorra
- [Sherman Teichman](#), Founding Director, Institute for Global Leadership, Tufts University

**11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Break and walk to Granoff Family Hillel Center

**11:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Lunch

Granoff Family Hillel Center, Tufts University

Reflections on Intersections in Practice

Case Study: Tufts Hillel and the Agahozo-Shalom Youth Village, Rwanda

- Presentation: [Rabbi Jeffrey A. Summit](#) AG88, AG95, Jewish Chaplain, Tufts University, and Neubauer Executive Director, Tufts Hillel

**1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

Break and walk to Interfaith Center

**1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.**

Sacred Spaces: Restoration, Renovation, and Construction

Interfaith Center  
Tufts University

- Goddard Chapel: [Wendall Kalsow](#), McGinley Kalsow and Associates, Inc.
- Granoff Family Hillel Center: [Fred Babcock](#), Babcock Design Group, and Rabbi Jeffrey A. Summit, Tufts University
- Interfaith Center: [Karla Johnson](#), Johnson Roberts Associates Inc.

**2:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Break

**3:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

ACURA Conversations

Interfaith Center, Tufts University

- Updates from home campuses, addressing important issues

**5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Break and walk to dinner

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Dinner and Presentation

51 Winthrop Street, Tufts University

- Musical Performance by the [Guy Mendilow Ensemble](#)
- Presentation: [David Carrasco](#), Neil L. Rudenstine Professor of the Study of Latin America, Harvard University

**8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

Break and walk to concert venue

**8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

Evening Concert

Interfaith Center, Tufts University

[Guy Mendilow Ensemble](#) “Tales from the Forgotten Kingdom: Ladino Songs Renewed”

**10:00 p.m.**

Transportation back to hotel

**Tuesday, October 28, 2014**

**6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**

Complimentary breakfast offered at hotel

**8:00 a.m.**

Transportation from hotel to The Memorial Church, Harvard University

**8:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**

[Morning Prayers](#)

The Memorial Church, Harvard University

**9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.**

Refreshments with Boston Theological Institute Graduate Students

**9:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Theological Education for Changing Chaplaincies

The Memorial Church  
Harvard University

- [Emily Click](#), Assistant Dean for Ministry Studies and Field Education and Lecturer on Ministry, Harvard Divinity School – Moderator

- [Cheryl Giles](#), Francis Greenwood Peabody Senior Lecturer on Pastoral Care and Counseling and core faculty member of the Buddhist Ministry Program, Harvard Divinity School
- [Celene Ayat Ibrahim-Lizzio](#), Co-Director of Center for Inter-Religious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE), Andover Newton Theological School and Hebrew College
- [Rabbi Or Rose](#), Co-Director of Center for Inter-Religious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE) and Director of the Center for Global Judaism, Hebrew College and Andover Newton Theological School
- [Neelima Shukla-Bhatt](#), Associate Professor of South Asia Studies and former Hindu Chaplain, Wellesley College
- [Chris Stedman](#), Executive Director and Coordinator of Humanist Life, Yale Humanist Community

**11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Break and walk to Harvard Divinity School

**12:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Lunch and ACURA Business Meeting

Braun Room, Andover Hall  
Harvard Divinity School

- Discussion regarding relationships with other professional associations (e.g., NACUC; Muslim, Hindu, Humanist Chaplains; Ivy Chaplains, NASPA, AAR)

**2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

The Intersectionality of Politics and Spirituality:  
Challenges in Interfaith Dialogue

Sperry Room, Andover Hall  
Harvard Divinity School

**3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Excursions to Historic Concord, JFK Presidential Library and Museum, or the Freedom Trail

**7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Closing Banquet

Boston, Massachusetts

- Presentation: The Reverend [Susan T. Henry-Crowe](#), General Secretary, General Board of Church and Society, United Methodist Church, and University Chaplain *Emerita*, Emory University

**9:00 p.m.**

Transportation back to hotel

**Wednesday, October 29, 2014**

**6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**

Complimentary breakfast offered at hotel

**Noon**

Check out of hotel

Departure