

Spiritual Life Programs Orientation 2015

University Chaplaincy Open House

Wednesday, September 2

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Goddard Chapel

All new students and families are invited to explore spiritual life at Tufts. Meet the University Chaplain The Reverend Greg McGonigle and our associate chaplains, staff, and student leaders. Enjoy snacks and learn about opportunities to build community through spirituality, cultural life, and interfaith engagement. All are welcome.

Muslim Jummah Prayer

Friday, September 4

1:00 pm

Interfaith Center

Muslim Chaplaincy Welcome Lunch

Friday, September 4

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Interfaith Center

Halal buffet lunch with vegetarian options and congregational prayer are open to all interested students and families, including those with an interest in learning more about Islamic cultures and devotional practices. RSVP appreciated for planning purposes but not required. Contact Muslim Chaplain Celene Ibrahim-Lizzio at Celene.Ibrahim_Lizzio@tufts.edu in advance with any dietary needs. All are welcome.

Tufts Hillel

Jewish Shabbat Evening Services and Dinner

Friday, September 4

6:00 pm services, 7:15 pm dinner

Granoff Family Hillel Center

Come relax after a busy first few days, meet cool first-years and returning students, and get recharged for the first week of school. Shabbat includes both Reform and Conservative services, followed by a delicious kosher dinner and dessert. Returning students will be waiting outside Houston and Tilton Halls at 5:45 pm to walk you and other first-years together to Shabbat. Please RSVP on line at www.tuftshillel.org.

Protestant Chaplaincy Welcome Brunch

Saturday, September 5

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Library Roof

Enjoy food and fellowship on the Library Roof while getting to know Protestant Chaplain Chanta Bhan and fellow Protestant

students. All are welcome.

Tufts Hillel

Jewish Shabbat Morning Services and Lunch

Saturday, September 5

10:00 am services, 12:00 pm lunch

Granoff Family Hillel Center

Join the Class of 2019 and returning students for an egalitarian Conservative Shabbat morning student-led service, followed by a delicious free kosher lunch.

Lunch with the Humanist Chaplaincy

Saturday, September 5

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Goddard Chapel

Come learn about Humanism, interfaith service, and what it means to be nonreligious or nontraditionally religious at Tufts. Drop in anytime to meet the Humanist in Residence Walker Bristol, A14, connect with the leaders of the Tufts Freethought Society, and share lunch with likeminded peers exploring Humanist life on the Hill. All are welcome.

Non-denominational Christian Fellowship

Cookies, Coffee, and Christ

Saturday, September 5

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Sophia Gordon Multipurpose Room

Meet members of one of the Christian communities on campus, NCF. We're a bunch of goofy people who want to support and challenge one another as we explore the life of Jesus Christ.

C. Stacey Woods Programming Board

Jesus and Java

Saturday, September 5

9:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Interfaith Center

Jesus and Java is a place for students interested in pursuing Christianity on campus to come check out the C. Stacey Woods Programming Board. We connect Tufts with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship events and are excited to meet students from any and all faith backgrounds. Come by for coffee, desserts, and conversation.

Tufts Hillel Bagel Brunch

Sunday, September 6

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Granoff Family Hillel Center

Bagels and lox and cream cheese, oh my! Come join us for our annual Bagel Brunch at Hillel for delicious food and great performances by all of the Tufts a cappella groups.

Dinner for Incoming Catholic Students and Friends

Sunday, September 6
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Interfaith Center

Come share dinner and meet the Catholic Chaplain Lynn Cooper, A02, and the Catholic Community at Tufts. Meet returning student leaders and bring your questions, ideas, and gifts. All are welcome.

Protestant Worship Service

Sunday, September 6
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Goddard Chapel

Join us for our first worship service of the year. Protestant Chaplain Chanta Bhan will lead worship and The Rev. Edwin Johnson, A04, will preach and celebrate the Eucharist. Refreshments and fellowship follow the service. All are welcome.

Roman Catholic Mass

Sunday, September 6
10:00 pm – 11:00 pm
Goddard Chapel

Come celebrate our opening liturgy of the 2015-2016 academic year. As always, come as you are. All are welcome.

C. Stacey Woods Programming Board

Welcome BBQ

Monday, September 7
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Res Quad

Come eat free food with the C. Stacey Woods Programming Board. We'd love to get connected with any and all students on campus, whether you identify as Christian or a different faith or no faith at all. We connect Tufts with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship events and want to improve the campus feel any way we can, so come by to grab a bite and chat.

Chabad at Tufts

Jewish Jumbo: Welcome BBQ

Monday, September 7
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Chabad House, 21 Chetwynd Road

Whether you are a curious first-year or a returning Jumbo, come over to a "home away from home" -- the Chabad House family is waiting for you with kosher hot dogs, burgers, salads, and desserts.

Tufts Mindfulness Buddhist Sangha

First Meditation Meeting

Thursday, September 10
8:30 am – 10:00 am
Goddard Chapel

The Tufts Mindfulness Buddhist Sangha holds weekly meetings where members engage in meditation practices, followed by group readings on topics of mindfulness and discussions about skills of listening and compassion. The meetings not only provide a means to relieve stress, but also to practice and learn about mindful living. Individuals of any faith or creed are welcome, and no prior experience is necessary, only an open mind.

Non-denominational Christian Fellowship

First Large Group

Thursday, September 10
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Interfaith Center

Come be part of our NCF family and experience faith, fellowship, fun, and food. There will be a chance to talk to current members about their experiences with Christianity on and off campus.

Tufts Hillel

Welcome Back Shabbat Evening Services and Dinner

Friday, September 11
6:00 pm services, 7:15 pm dinner
Granoff Family Hillel Center

Reconnect with your old friends and make new ones at the first Shabbat post-returning students move in. Feel free to come to services, dinner, or both; Reform and Conservative services begin at 6:00, followed by dinner at 7:15. Please RSVP on line at www.tuftshillel.org.

Muslim Students Association

Welcome BBQ

Friday, September 11
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm
Fletcher Field

Join the Tufts Muslim Students Association as we host our annual fall barbeque on Fletcher Field, to be held right after Jummah prayers. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon of good food and good company. Everyone is welcome to join.

Tufts Hillel

Welcome Back Shabbat Morning Services and Lunch

Saturday, September 12
10:30 am services, 12:00 pm lunch
Granoff Family Hillel Center

Join us for an egalitarian Conservative Shabbat morning service, followed by a delicious free kosher lunch.