

HUMANIST CHAPLAINCY

2024-2025 newsletter



Humanist Chaplain Anthony Cruz Pantojas, MATS, MALS

I see you. Welcome.

I am delighted to welcome you to the Tufts Humanist Chaplaincy! Our vibrant community of practice is centered in reciprocity, inquiry, and creativity. Through the student-led Humanist Community at Tufts (HCAT), we invite the campus community to imagine bold responses and sustainable actions towards the ethical and civic challenges we face. Together, we mobilize our efforts around many inquiries including:

- What does a regenerative ecosystem of care look like?
- How can we draw from our multiplicities to cultivate “response-ability,” or an ethical sensitivity to our interconnectedness?

The Humanist Chaplaincy holds space for you to dialogue, question, and practice the repair and reimagining of the world. Your full self and becoming have a place here.

En conjunto,

Anthony Cruz Pantojas, MATS, MALS

Humanist Chaplain

Regular Programming

- Weekly reflection meetings
- Reading group
- HCAT student-led meetings
- Potluck meals
- Candle-making events
- Dinner conversation around meaningful activism
- Unlearning Retreat with the Hindu Chaplaincy
- Community solstice celebrations and annual Death Cafe



Students celebrate the summer solstice in Spring 2024 in Goddard Chapel



The Tufts Humanist Chaplaincy is a homeplace for students, staff, and faculty to come into deep relation in a transgenerational and collaborative approach about life, meaning-making, and existential quandaries through a way of life centered on the here and now and rooted in a naturalistic orientation to life.

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Program Spotlight: Humanist Hub Dinner Series

This dinner series is a supportive lab and network to consider the ethical, civic, interreligious, and everyday life conundrums of this time. Past topics have included inquiry, historical trauma and power, and storytelling and memory. Students and community members gather to connect, share ideas, experiences, and receive wisdom from one another. If there are important issues that you would like to discuss, we invite you to join us for dinner.



Students gather with Chaplain Anthony Cruz Pantojas for a dinner conversation



"The Humanist Chaplaincy created a space for me to listen, learn, and lead, to form connections across cultural, spiritual, and religious boundaries. I am grateful to have been a part of the Humanist community

for the past three years and to bring what I've learned along my future journey."

-Jo Chung, A24



"The Humanist Chaplaincy at Tufts has been a welcoming place of conversation and growth for me. I have met wonderful people within it who never cease to be supportive, kind, and authentic. This caring community has changed the way I see Tufts and

the way I see myself."

-Mark Schaeffler, A27

SUPPORT HUMANIST LIFE AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY

A vital portion of our programs are made possible by community donations. Here are some suggestions for how you can help make a difference in students' lives:

- **\$25** contributes to meals at a community social event for nonreligious students at Tufts
- **\$75** contributes to an evening of candle-making for the Humanist community
- **\$150** brings a guest speaker to a community event to share about modern spirituality and Humanism



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