

MUSLIM SPIRITUAL ADVISOR (“Chaplain”) at NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY,

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Northeastern University is seeking a part-time Muslim Spiritual Advisor to work in a collaborative team serving the University’s large, diverse, and dynamic Muslim community. NU’s Spiritual Advisor positions cover several classic “chaplaincy” or “campus ministry” functions, and advance the global experiential educational mission of the University and its Center for Spirituality, Dialogue, and Service (CSDS) (see spirituallife.northeastern.edu), which coordinates Spiritual Life across the University’s Global Campus Network.

A successful candidate will have:

- a passion for working with Muslim undergraduate and graduate students from diverse US and international backgrounds.
- an ability to collaboratively plan and develop programs with NU’s two dynamic student groups:
 - **the Islamic Society of Northeastern University (ISNU)**— participating in leadership team meetings, Monday evening Deen and Dine learning/community building sessions, and weekly jummah
 - **the Black Islamic Association (BIA)**— participating in leadership team meetings and biweekly Tuesday halaqa sessions
- interest in interfaith dialogue and collaboration.
- experience in teaching, speaking, preaching, and/or spiritual/pastoral advising and care.
- skills and interest in inter-Muslim Sunni-Shi'a dialogue and cooperation.
- skills in fostering inter-Muslim dialogue while addressing racial diversity.
- appreciation of the dynamics of young adult Muslim life in US society and higher education.
- commitment to developing student leaders who are culturally adept, ethically reflective, and spiritually grounded global citizens and residents of the vibrant Boston and wider NU community.
- a powerful commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice.

Overall, Spiritual Advisors at Northeastern:

- design effective outreach/hospitality/engagement approaches to students, faculty, and staff within the Spiritual Advisor’s own religious/spiritual tradition.
- advise student organization(s) serving the SA's specific religious/spiritual tradition.

- work with the Center Executive Director and staff to plan and implement dynamic programs of spirituality, dialogue and service -- bringing the religious teachings, practices, and culture(s) of the Spiritual Advisor's specific tradition to bear on the interfaith/intercultural mission of the Center.
- meet with Northeastern community members from one's own tradition for spiritual guidance/care/counseling, while maintaining respect for others' traditions.
- are available as needed to meet with and serve students of all religious/spiritual traditions, and none.
- meet with a team of fellow Spiritual Advisors for dialogue and program planning (once a month, Thursday afternoons for two hours).
- with the Executive Director of the Center, work to build bridges of communication and cooperation with the Spiritual Advisor's specific religious/spiritual tradition locally, nationally, and globally.
- serve as a representative of the Spiritual Advisor's religious/spiritual tradition in University forums, interfaith services, events, conferences and symposia, experiential education, service/dialogue programs, urban and foreign study trips, academic classes, etc.
- where appropriate, coordinate services and ceremonies specific to the Spiritual Advisor's religious/spiritual tradition, or arrange for religious leadership to conduct services
- other duties as assigned.

* The position is part-time, hours to be determined, and may be a shared position. Spiritual Advisors are supervised by Alexander Levering Kern, the Center's Executive Director and lead Spiritual Advisor for the University.

If interested: Please email resume/CV, bio, and/or statement of interest to csds@northeastern.edu. We welcome all applications and inquiries.