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Campus Multi-Faith
Cooperative

Finding A Center with the Campus Multi-Faith Cooperative

<http://ufcmc.com>

What is the UF Campus Multi-faith Cooperative (CMC)?



The Campus Multi-faith Cooperative (CMC) seeks to inform students at the University of Florida about spiritual resources available to them in their college experience. Members of CMC also bring those of various faiths together in such common causes as service, joint celebration, social interaction, and mutual understanding, enabling those of differing beliefs to focus on commonalities rather than differences.

The CMC also joins hands with the Student Counseling Center as a resource for students who may struggle with the rigors of college life. Overall, the **CMC seeks to contribute to the academic, emotional, social and spiritual well-being of UF students.**

A Short History of the CMC



The CMC goes back over 60 years as a network of Gainesville faith leaders serving UF and Santa Fe College. During the 1960s and '70s, local Protestants, Catholics and Jews cooperated in support of non-violence and social justice. From initial ecumenical activities such as a “Day of Fasting and Prayer” after the Kent State shootings in 1970, these leaders formalized a Campus Ministry Cooperative which has met regularly ever since and continues to contribute to the greater UF and Gainesville communities.

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Today the organization has expanded from various mainstream Protestant, Catholic and Jewish organizations to include representatives of minority religious groups such as Quakers, Trinity Metropolitan, Mennonites, Hare Krishnas, Seventh-day Adventists and others, with ongoing outreach to include African American, Islamic, Ba’hai, Unitarian and other local religious communities.



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Since some faith traditions do not use the term “Ministry,” in 2013 the organization changed its name to “Campus Multi-faith Cooperative,” while maintaining the legacy and rich history of the past 60 years.



The Current Membership of the CMC



Emmanuel Mennonite Church and Mennonite Student Group

1236 NW 18th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32609

(352) 377-6577

<http://gainesvillemennonites.org/>



The Episcopal Student Center with Chapel of the Incarnation (Episcopal/Anglican)

1522 West University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32603

(352) 372-8506

<http://ufchapelhouse.com/>



Gainesville LDS Institute of Religion

1220 SW 5th Ave, Gainesville, Florida 32601

(352) 214-7060

<http://www.lds.org/institutes>

The Current Membership of the CMC



Gator Wesley Foundation (United Methodist Campus Ministry)

1380 W. University Ave. Gainesville, FL 32603

(352) 372-8183

<http://www.gatorwesley.com>



Gators for Christ

4626 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32605

(352) 514-8261

<http://www.gatorsforchrist.org>



Hillel at the University of Florida

2020 West University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32603

(352) 372-2900

<http://www.ufhillel.org/>

The Current Membership of the CMC



Krishna House/International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKON) of Gainesville

214 NW 14th St. (one block west of Krispy Kreme)

(352) 222-2886

<http://www.krishnalunch.com>



Lubavitch/Chabad Jewish Student & Community Center

2021 NW 5th Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32603

(352) 336-5877

<http://www.jewishgator.com/>



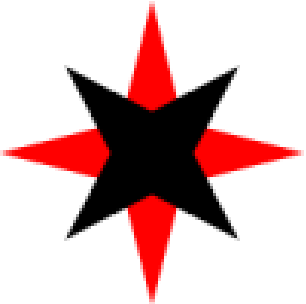
Lutheran Gator Campus Ministry

1826 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603-1838

(352) 514-1516

<http://ulcgainesville.com/>

The Current Membership of the CMC



Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

702 NW 38th Street, Gainesville, FL 32607

(352) 372-1070

<http://www.gainesvillequakers.org/>



Seventh-day Adventist

(352) 363-8590

<http://www.acmuf.org>



St. Augustine Church and Catholic Student Center (Catholic Gators)

1738 W. University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32604

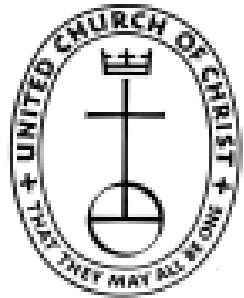
(352) 372-3533

<http://www.catholicgators.com>

The Current Membership of the CMC



Trinity Metropolitan Community Church
11604 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608
(352) 495-3378
<http://www.mccgainesville.org/>



United Church of Gainesville (United Church of Christ)
1624 NW 5 Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603
(352) 378-3500
<http://ucgainesville.org>

71 organizations presently serve the needs of UF students. A full listing
can be found at
bit.ly/religiousorgs

Finding Your Center at UF



College students benefit from faith in a number of ways:

A Healthy Way of Life

Everyone is looking for pleasure. In contrast to other popular pleasures of college life, tending a spiritual garden brings pleasure that is safe, free, legal and sustainable. Happiness in spiritual life adds lasting value and richness to your college experience.

Peace of Mind

Spiritual life brings inner satisfaction through prayer, introspection and a principled life. Pursuing only external satisfaction creates anxiety. Also, a spiritually minded person has a purpose beyond immediate results and naturally feels more peaceful.

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SelfDiscovery

As a student you uncover what is truly important to you and thus defines you. Cultivating spirituality during college is like putting a little money in the bank each month that turns into millions of dollars by the time you retire. However, unlike money, time invested in spiritual life creates riches you can enjoy immediately without decreasing them

Empowerment & Humility

A wise man once advised students to, “Be a meaningful specific, not a wandering generality.” Faith in a higher power creates purpose and confidence. When that faith is mature and well-informed, it also brings a keen awareness of your own imperfections, fostering respectful and loving dealings with others.

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Healthy Fulfilling Relationships

Seeing others as a means for fulfilling selfish purposes leads to shallow, exploitative relationships, while respecting others for their deeper selves leads to dynamic, sustainable relationships.

A Network That Parents & Students Can Trust

University of Florida students define involvement as out of class active participation that enhances academics through the relationships they build, the communities they serve, the networks they create, and the personal skills and knowledge they acquire. CMC members are a network affiliated with the University of Florida who are recognized as communities who support the students' growth during their time at UF.

Other Spiritual Options

While you're at UF, we want you to find a place to become involved, develop community, and feel at home. If you don't see your faith or denomination listed with CMC, don't worry; the University of Florida community includes over seventy additional religious clubs and organizations! A full listing with descriptions can be found online at bit.ly/religiousorgs. We conclude with this brief overview.





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