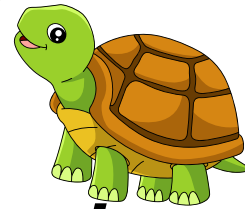


ANNUAL
PARTNERSHIP

NMYC SOAS CHAPLAINCY



EVENT BOOKLET 2023/24

Interfaith Events for
SOAS Students

@SOASWellbeing
@nmycentre

About SOAS Chaplaincy

Our remit is to nurture wellbeing by providing service to the spiritual, religious and emotional needs, inquiry and aspirations of students and staff. We are here for any student or staff member during their time at SOAS.

About NMYC

We are the first UK-wide multifaith youth centre, designed to bring together university students across all faiths and beliefs. We are reaching across the UK to develop the skills and expertise of the youth to go on and make sustainable change.

Table of Contents



01 FJS Podcast

Students from diverse faith and belief backgrounds engaging in conversations about faith, social justice, and general topics related to their faith.

02 Interfaith Week

Faith and belief-based student societies convening to introduce their respective groups and discuss their faith traditions.

03 Religious Festivals

Interfaith celebrations, religious festivals, and events, including Iftars during Ramadan and Christmas & Diwali gatherings.

04 FJS Festival

Exploring the intersections of faith and social justice, the day will feature a series of panels with academics, practitioners, and faith leaders.

01



FJS Podcast

Introducing the Faith.Justice.Social. podcast, where student guests from diverse faith and belief backgrounds engage in conversations about their faith, social justice, and general topics related to their cultures, including discussions about colours, festivals, food, and music.

How To Get Involved

1st

Reach out to the SOAS Chaplaincy Team and express your interest in featuring on a podcast episode.

2nd

Connect with a member of the NMYC Team to discuss the podcast topic.

3rd

Record the podcast episode and distribute it to a wide audience, including your friends and family.

Podcast Launch

The SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC are excited to announce the launch of the Faith.Justice.Social podcast on the SOAS campus on 25th October, from 1-3pm. All students are invited to join us at this drop-in session to talk about the podcast, episode themes, and upcoming interfaith events and opportunities for young people.

02



Interfaith Week

On 16th November, as part of Interfaith Week 2023, the SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC will host a gathering of faith and belief-based student societies on the SOAS campus.

The event will feature stalls run by representatives from these societies, where they will share insights into the components of their faith, as well as discuss the various activities and events organised by their respective groups. All students are encouraged to attend and engage in this enriching experience.

How To Attend

(As a Faith & Belief Based Society)

1st

Contact the SOAS Chaplaincy Team.

2nd

Compile a list of events scheduled for the academic year.

3rd

Prepare your stall for the event.

4th

Participate in the event and showcase your society.

How To Attend

(As a Student)

Keep an eye out for the eventbrite.

03



Religious Festivals

The SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC are organising interfaith celebrations, religious festivals, and events throughout the academic year for students, including Iftars during Ramadan, Christmas festivities, and Diwali celebrations.

Things We Have Planned:

Diwali

For Diwali in November, SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC will host an interfaith event featuring live music, talks, and sweets for attendees to enjoy.

Christmas

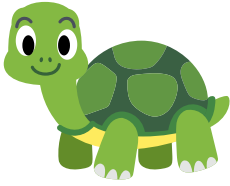
Before the winter break, SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC will host an interfaith Christmas celebration featuring hymn singing and much more.

Iftars (Ramadan)

On 13th March, during Ramadan, SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC will host an interfaith Iftar, welcoming students from every University of London institution.

We encourage SOAS students interested in co-organising interfaith celebrations to reach out to the chaplaincy.

04



FJS Festival

The SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC are delighted to present a festival of panel talks, exploring the intersections of faith and social justice. The festival consists of four panel discussions featuring academics, practitioners, and faith leaders. All students are welcome to attend.

Topics include: Faith and Artificial Intelligence, Climate Change, Feminism, and Mental Health and Wellbeing.


FAITH.JUSTICE.SOCIAL.



Save the date and keep and keep an eye out
for the eventbrite

MARCH 20TH, 2024

Future Programmes



The SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC have more exciting events and programs in the pipeline. Here's a sneak peek of what's to come!

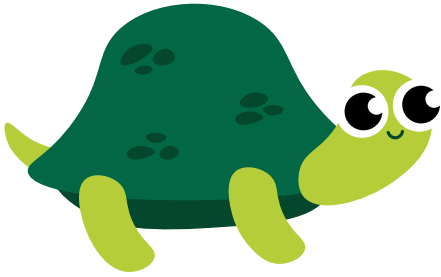
Faith and Belief Based Student Forum

We are in the process of establishing a forum for faith and belief-based students, providing a platform to discuss pertinent issues, upcoming events organised by faith and belief-based societies, and updates such as Interfaith Week activities.

This forum will convene once per term, enhancing the SU, Chaplaincy, and university's understanding of the experiences of faith and belief-based students on campus.

Visits to Places of Worship

The SOAS Chaplaincy and NMYC are organizing trips to Places of Worship for SOAS students. These trips will encompass visits to Gurdwaras, Synagogues, and Faith Institutions representing various faiths and beliefs.



Why so many turtles?

A turtle is the National Multifaith Youth Centre logo.

'The race is not always to the swift' rings true in the context of developing long-lasting multifaith relationships. The art of relationship building takes patience and the process of understanding someone's values and culture takes time, but it all adds up to a winning formula. We acknowledge that creating a world built with the foundations of tolerance and inclusivity isn't going to happen tomorrow, but every single one of our volunteers and partners are committed to the journey motivated by that shared vision.

We believe that growth from both an individual and societal perspective means slow progress. Through the application of patience and determination, the sustainable solutions, the ideas that produce maximum positive development will emanate. Our logo represents these fundamental values at the heart of our organisation.

- Therefore, our logo is inspired by the exceptional protagonist in the famous Aesop Fable, 'The Hare & the (NMYC) Tortoise'.





SOAS
University of London



NMYC
NATIONAL MULTIFAITH
YOUTH CENTRE

For more information,
contact:

cd30@soas.ac.uk
[@SOASWellbeing](https://www.instagram.com/SOASWellbeing)

info@nmycentre.org
[@nmycentre](https://www.instagram.com/nmycentre)