



WAKE FOREST
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Assistant Chaplain for Hindu Life & Religious Engagement Office of the Chaplain

Wake Forest University

Wake Forest University is a leading collegiate university. The University strives for excellence from students, faculty, and staff and promotes wellbeing in all facets of their lives. Formed in 1834, Wake Forest University has experienced decades of growth and innovation. Wake Forest is a distinctive university that combines a liberal arts core with graduate and professional schools and innovative research programs. The University embraces the teacher-scholar ideal, which prizes the personal interaction between students and faculty. It is a place where exceptional teaching, fundamental research and discovery, and the engagement of faculty and students in the classroom and the laboratory are paramount.

Pro Humanitate

Our motto, *Pro Humanitate* (For Humanity), is a calling to use our knowledge, talents and compassion to better the lives of others. It can mean donating time and resources to our communities or simply a lifelong commitment to pursuing our best selves. No matter your personal interpretation, it's an opportunity to leave the world better than we found it.

Location

Wake Forest's hometown, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, is a culturally rich mid-size city in the Piedmont Triad area. With a population of 249,545, Winston-Salem has consistently built resources in the arts, medicine, health care research, education, and commerce. Located about three miles from the main campus, downtown Winston-Salem is a thriving area with galleries and shops; indoor and outdoor performance spaces and museums; a greenway traversing the Old Salem district; and restaurants and sidewalk cafes. Outdoor recreational activities abound in the area, particularly in the neighboring Piedmont and Blue Ridge Mountains. Or travel a few hours to enjoy North Carolina and South Carolina beaches. Enjoy virtual tours of the [Wake Forest campus](#) and [Winston-Salem community](#).

Overview of the Division of Campus Life

Campus Life at Wake Forest University seeks to engage students in experiences that prepare students to lead lives of meaning and purpose. Opportunities for such experiences abound at Wake Forest. In collaboration with student leaders, units within Campus Life aim to enrich students' lives through meaningful engagement in student organizations, service learning, campus activities, community and civic engagement, recreation, and leadership development.

Departments

- Campus Life Finance and Operations
- Campus Recreation
- Dean of Students
- Office of Student Engagement
- Office the Chaplain
- Office of Wellbeing
- Residence Life and Housing
- Deacon One
- Student Health Service
- University Counseling Center
- Safety and Security

To learn more about the Division of Campus Life, visit campuslife.wfu.edu



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The Position

The Office of the Chaplain at Wake Forest University seeks an Assistant Chaplain for Hindu Life & Religious Engagement. Through advocacy, development, spiritual support, and coordination of cultural, educational, and social programs and activities, the Assistant Chaplain for Hindu Life & Religious Engagement at Wake Forest will be tasked with creating an environment that prompts rich cross-cultural experiences for the entire campus community. The Assistant Chaplain for Hindu Life & Religious Engagement encourages Hindus and other members of the Wake Forest community to discover shared values across different religious, spiritual, and philosophical perspectives; and negotiate differences in public life.

Reporting to the University Chaplain, the Assistant Chaplain for Hindu Life & Religious Engagement provides leadership and oversight of support services; and designs and delivers programming that responds to the cultural and social needs of Hindu students, faculty, and staff. The *Religious Engagement* focus provides support and advances the exploration and expression of spirituality, religious life, faith-traditions, values and philosophies of life within the context of the Division of Campus Life's Strategic Vision. It provides access to activities and programs that enable interested students to cultivate their spiritual development and to foster a campus atmosphere in which interested members of the Wake Forest community may freely express their religious and spiritual identity.

The successful candidate will:

- Engage and provide support to Hindu students, faculty, staff, and organizations while supporting broader Office of the Chaplain initiatives and serving on the on-call rotation.
- Have experience organizing and coordinating religious, spiritual and social activities for Hindu students, including coordination of prayer services and holy day observances on campus and engagements with area temples.
- Elevate the civic priority of interfaith leadership through programming, relationships, and policies.
- Create programs that develop students as leaders in interfaith cooperation.

A complete position description and information regarding the qualifications and application process can be found on the [WFU Careers page](#).

Required Education, Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Bachelor's degree required.
- Experience working with Hindu students in organizing and implementing programs.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Hinduism, proficiency with Hindu sacred texts, and active involvement in a Hindu community.
- Strong commitment to and understanding of the needs and concerns of Hindu students, faculty, and staff.
- Ability to work with and meet the needs of a diverse Hindu population at Wake Forest and more broadly a diverse Hindu American community.
- Strong commitment to fostering a vibrant multi-faith community on campus that welcomes, affirms, and recognizes the participation of students from diverse faith and non-faith traditions.
- Demonstrated communication, organizational, and analytical skills, and creativity in imagining new initiatives and/or new ways of pursuing existing goals.



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Preferred Education

- Master's Degree preferred – preferably in a closely-related field or the liberal arts.
- Basic unit in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) preferred or willingness to complete.

Benefits

- Wake Forest University offers a full range of [benefits](#).
- Wake Forest University supports the creation of flexible work arrangements that enhance the university's goals and commitments. The Division of Campus Life is committed to creating and maintaining a sustainable work culture and flexible work arrangement models that reflect a diversity of staff roles.

Education Benefits

- **Tuition Concession.** Wake Forest University offers tuition reduction benefits for eligible faculty, staff, dependent children, and spouses to attend Wake Forest University. Eligible faculty, staff, and dependent children may also attend other institutions.
- **Tuition Assistance.** The Division of Campus Life offers tuition assistance for full-time staff pursuing master's and doctoral degrees.
- **Professional Development Center (PDC).** The PDC endeavors to advance a progressive, values-aligned leadership model grounded in a deep understanding and belief in human potential. Through learning opportunities, organization development consulting, and coaching, the PDC strives to cultivate a culture of excellence, engagement, and character that supports personal growth and actualization and optimizes organizational health and performance.
- Free access to professional development and ongoing learning via LinkedIn Learning.

Visit the Wake Forest Human Resources [web page](#) at hr.wfu.edu/careers to apply.