

Rutgers University
Guidelines for Activities and Behavior of Chaplaincies on Campus

The following actions are judged to be injurious to the health, safety, and public welfare of the University community, and are not acceptable activities on the part of Chaplaincies on campus.

- A. Any action that adversely impacts the academic or vocational pursuits of students or their health.
- B. Seeking to force or coerce - physically, emotionally, or by harassment - any student into religious activity or affiliation. This would include attempts to change the religious affiliation of a student by emotional pressure, harassment, or disparagement of other groups or doctrines.
- C. Any action that removes students by pressure or force from the campus. By pressure is meant peer pressure, emotional pressure, or the pressure that arises from the strong relationship of a student to a group or a particular chaplain.
- D. Actions that adversely impact the financial status or conditions of students.
- E. Engaging in false or deceptive promotions or advertising concerning a group or its activities. This includes both direct deception (e.g., claiming that a group is something that it is not), and deception by omission (e.g., failing to disclose that a campus religious group is affiliated with a particular religious organization).
- F. Intruding by uninvited visit at dining hall tables, into residence halls or other private areas in which students should properly expect privacy, or by making solicitous phone calls to students unassociated with the organization.
- G. Barraging students with repeated and or unwanted mail, e-mail, or text messages.
- H. The importation of non-students or others unrelated to the university who pose as students for the sake of solicitation.
- I. Chaplaincies on campus will adhere to all Rutgers University policies and procedures, and local, state and federal laws. All activities must comply in full with the regulations established in the Rutgers University Code of Conduct, Rutgers University Sexual Harassment Policy, as well as any other agreements made with authorized University officials regarding such activities.

Fundamentally, students have the right to choose their religious affiliation, or even to choose no affiliation. They have the right to be free of undue religious pressure. They have the right to choose their own friends, to make their own career decisions, to choose their own classes and majors, to read the books they want and to discuss the ideas that interest them, and to relate to their families in the way that they choose. These rights of choice should be acknowledged and respected by all recognized Chaplains.

I have read the above and agree to adhere to the guidelines as outlined.

NAME:

SIGNATURE:

DATE: