
Standards for On-Campus Religious Activities Policy

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Responsible University Office: Human Resources

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Notice:

Effective August 1, 2021 this policy was converted into an easily accessible standalone PDF document. This policy still remains in Part II of the Policies and Procedures Manual and no changes were made to this policy when it was converted to the standalone PDF document.

Policy

Gonzaga University is a Catholic University committed to supporting the faith life of its Roman Catholic members and supporting the faith development of Gonzaga community members from other faith traditions. Gonzaga also educates the entire Gonzaga community on its Jesuit, Catholic, and humanistic character.

Guidelines

1. Gonzaga makes no active attempts to proselytize these individuals through its programs or sponsored activities. Similarly, Gonzaga University does not allow any individual or organization to proselytize using facilities, programs, or activities controlled by Gonzaga.
2. This policy should not be used to discourage open dialogue among community members concerning their religious beliefs and values. Representatives of all faith traditions may, with approval of the Director of University Ministry, provide on-campus religious functions for students who are likewise affiliated. Students of all faiths are encouraged to create recognized groups to support their own religious beliefs and practices. These groups are sponsored through Gonzaga Ministry Office.

3. No individual or organization, either internal or external to Gonzaga, may sponsor activities on campus that have the express purpose of proselytization, which is to make converts of members of Gonzaga community to join another church or religious affiliation. Gonzaga reserves the right to limit or restrict the on-campus activities of any organization or individual whose purposes are contrary to Gonzaga's religious and ethical values.

Enforcement

Gonzaga also reserves the right to enforce a policy of non-duplication of services. If approved organization is already functioning to provide for the faith needs of a particular segment of students, then Gonzaga can deny access to a similar group. The Director of University Ministry will evaluate and implement this policy as necessary.