



# Constitution of the LUMS Religious Society

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# Vision and Mission

## Our Vision:

At a place like LUMS, where a typical student has to cope with the workload, peer pressure and similar challenges of campus life, there is little time for spiritual relaxation and religious contemplation, as one cannot easily identify where to draw the line between one's bodily and spiritual needs. Eventually, the appreciation and recognition of God becomes difficult and the urge to develop a relationship with Him weakens. But like the body, the soul too needs its share of nourishment and exercise. There is a need to keep a constant check on oneself, and to make persistent efforts towards strengthening the bond shared by the Divine and the human subject.

The LUMS Religious Society will make sincere efforts in assisting the student body in appreciating these concerns. Its aim is to enable students to discover spiritual peace and to connect with God by creating a forum for individuals who believe that religion affects and influences life in a number of vibrant ways, illuminating exclusive and undiscovered horizons. It will be a platform for those who view religion as a source of enhancing one's sense of being, coherence, morality, and individuality, leading to excellence in every walk of life without conflicting in any way with an individual's rational and productive lifestyle. With starting such a platform, LRS then aims to help realize ideas and innovative suggestions in creating such a model and environment for the rest and inviting others to relevant activities and events.

The society acronym, **FAITH**, spells out this objective quite beautifully:

*Faith, Awareness, Integration, Tolerance, Harmony.*

## Our Mission:

The LUMS Religious Society is a student-run society that conducts talks and publishes content in order to promote religion and spirituality in the LUMS community.

## General Information:

**Patron:**

Dr. Tariq Jadoon

**Office Bearers:**

President

Vice President

General Secretary

Treasurer

## Definition:

1. The name of this student society shall be the “**LUMS Religious Society**”.
2. The society’s acronym shall be FAITH for Faiths (Representation of all faiths), Awareness, Integrity, Tolerance and Harmony.

## Chapter 1 - Objectives:

1. To create awareness among students about the teachings of religion (primarily Islam).
2. To help the spiritual wellbeing of students.
3. To allow freedom of dialogue between different religions or beliefs in a non-discriminatory environment.
4. To promote religious tolerance and create an attitude of sympathetic understanding of the points of views of different faiths or religions.

## Chapter 2 - Activities:

To organize events, workshops, panel discussions, Publications, Ethical Training Program, Tarbiyah sessions, tajweed classes, daily reminders on social media and other such activities which promise to effectively achieve the society's objectives.

## Chapter 3 - Rules:

1. The society shall be a representative of all religions (including all sects and sub-sects of these religions)
2. A student from any faith can have the membership of the society and can conduct their activities.

3. The LUMS Religious Society will not be gender specific.
4. The society shall have
  - i. Executive Council
  - ii. Core Team
  - iii. General Body Members
5. The council shall be called the **Executive Council (EC)**.
6. The EC and Core Team (CT) will be responsible for managing and conducting all the activities.
7. The society shall have to inform the Office of Co-Curriculum activities advance of any activity it plans to conduct.
8. No activity shall be conducted and/or supervised in the male or female hostels.
9. The society shall have to inform the following people before finalizing any activity:
  - i. Patron
  - ii. Dean of OSA
  - iii. Head of Department - CCA
  - iv. Senior Officer CCA
10. The society cannot get involved in any activity with any political or political-religious party or group.
11. Every academic year, a new Executive Council (EC) will be formed.
12. Selection of the Executive Council will be on merit basis. Merit is essentially defined as how well the member performs his/her responsibilities and duties.
13. The Out-going Executive Council will select the Incoming Executive Council.
14. Any suggestions to initiate a new activity will also be presented in front of the EC so that due measures can be taken to judge its feasibility.
15. Guests and students will be allowed to post comments regarding LRS activities as feedback. All pertinent comments regarding LRS activities will be duly delivered to the people organizing them so that they can be incorporated.
16. Undue criticism regarding LRS activities (i.e., comments are written only in jest or for offensive purposes) will be immediately filtered.
17. Any amendments made in the council regarding previously stated ruled/objectives/articles, approved by the council and the patron will annul previous rulings.
18. After a decision has been made by the EC, regarding a change in a present activity or the start of a new one, it will be posted on the section.
19. To ensure a good work environment for every member and to maintain the cohesion of the General Body, all cases of disciplinary issues, bullying, sexual harassment, cyber bullying etc. shall be forwarded to either the Sexual

Harassment Committee (SHC) or the Disciplinary Committee (DC). The Executive Council shall take action on the outcomes of the investigations of the two mentioned bodies of committees, keeping the patron of LRS involved..