This interdisciplinary initiative builds on existing networks between faculty, students, community members, and other professionals with research, teaching, and service interests in religion's contribution to the common good.

## THE RELIGION AND THE COMMON GOOD SEMINAR EXPLORES:

- The ways religious communities reach beyond the bounds of their own community to benefit people of other faiths or of no particular faith.
- What constitutes the common good from a religious faith perspective.
- Differences between religions in approaching various common goods.
- How religions prevent or promote common goods within society or segments of society.
- Religious teachings and practices that motivate members to seek the good of others, and interreligious service for the common good.

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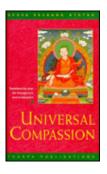
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### **Guest Faculty**

#### Gen Kelsang Mondrub,

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November 14, 2017

#### Richard Miller,

Laura Spelman Rockefeller Professor of Religious Ethics, University of Chicago.



March 20, 2018

#### Fall Semester 2017

SESSION ONE: September 26, 2017—7pm

Z. Miller Learning Center — Rm 150

Religion Courses, Self-Authorship, and the

Pursuit of the Common Good





Dr. Robert L. Foster (Lecturer, Department of Religion, UGA) and Josh Patterson (PhD Student, Institute of Higher Education, UGA)

SESSION TWO: October 17, 2017—7pm

Z. Miller Learning Center — Rm 248

Universal Compassion: Modern Buddhists and

Altruism



Gen Monrub (Resident Teacher, Kadampa Meditation Center, Atlanta)

SESSION THREE: Nov. 14, 2017—7pm

Z. Miller Learning Center — Rm 248

The Quran, the Prophetic Model, and the

Common Good



Hisham Qureshi (Graduate Student, Department of Religion)

#### **Spring Semester 2018**

SESSION FOUR: February 20, 2018—7pm

Rm: TBA

Demonized No More: Spiritual Journeys and Spaces of Black Gay and Bisexual Men in College



Darris Means (Associate Professor, College of Education, UGA)

SESSION FIVE: March 20, 2018—7pm

Rm: TBA

Augustine on Love, Conflict, and the Goods We Hold in Common



Richard Miller, Laura Spelman Rockefeller Professor of Religious Ethics, University of Chicago.

SESSION SIX: April 10, 2018 —7 pm

Rm: TBA

"Is it Good to Be Religious on the Public University Campus?"

UGA Student Panel