

#### **Africa Faith & Justice Network**

# College Campus Chapter Guide

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# Who Are We?

#### **Our History**

Three Catholic missionary congregations founded the Africa Faith and Justice Network (AFJN) in 1983 to transform United States mentality and policy towards Africa and her people. Since that time, AFJN has grown to include 27 organizations and a wealth of individual members, all while remaining committed in faith to advocate for U.S. relations with Africa that foster justice and peace, and to educate the public

across the United States.

The Africa Faith and Justice Network, inspired by the Gospel and informed by Catholic Social Teaching, educates and advocates for just relations with Africa.

### **Our Mission**



### Focus Campaigns



### Just Governance

## Land Grabbing



Womens Empowerment

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### Restorative Justice

# Militarization of US Africa Policy







# Educate

Inform yourself, your classmates, and faculty on current issues in Africa as well as developing US

# And void as well as developing 03 policy towards the continent.

Look out for and spread positive news about Africa. Reach out to university administrators and your federal, state, and local representatives to put an end to unjust policies that negatively affect African countries.

# Participate

Start a college chapter! Hold panel discussions, host awareness campaigns, and screen films. Become an official member of AFJN and visit us in DC! We want to hear from you!

# What is an AFJN College Chapter?

AFJN college chapters are student-run organizations on college campuses made up of individuals who have an interest in Africa or one of our key focas areas, and a passion to help further the mission of our organization.



As an ambassador of AFJN on your campus, you will be assisting our organization by educating others about problematic conditions in Africa, advocating against unjust policy towards Africa by contacting

**Did you know? AFJN** offers individual membership status as well!

government and university officials on behalf of AFJN, and holding fundraising events for the purpose of helping AFJN with our direct efforts and programs in Africa.



# Its All About Partnership

 KEEP US UPDATED on what your chapter is doing, so we can proudly tell our members —and so we can provide assistance in any way we can!

SHARE REFLECTIONS from your projects and activities post-event. Write a quick blog post for our website after events, telling us about all the great work you've been doing!

LET US KNOW if there's something we can do to help your chapter be as successful as possible! We welcome your feedback!



### **Starting Your Chapter**

#### • Learn

Which of our focus campaigns interests you? Read through our website, connect with our DC office, and think about ways to mobilize your AFJN chapter.

### • Get Organized

goals for the semester and what you hope to gain from your experience working with AFJN

#### • Become Official

Make your chapter an official club at your university so that you

Find a faculty or staff advisor who can dedicate time to helping you jumpstart your on-campus organization.

### • Recruit

Find a strong base of students from all disciplines who have an interest in Africa and the work we do at AFJN. Start holding regular meetings and come up with an outline of your have access to university funding and increased legitimacy for your on-campus events.

### • Get Active!

Publicize AFJN and your chapter. Consider partnering with other groups on campus to collaborate on projects that are in line with our mission.





# Lets Work Together!

When you start an AFJN college chapter you will be in constant communication with our headquarters in Washington DC. We'll send you email blasts, updates on our program and new ways you can get involved!

We will also provide advising to you to help you get your chapter started. You can use us to learn more about our current initiatives, connect to potential guest speakers, ideas for events, or just as an idea sounding board.

You can count on AFJN to assist with the promotion of your events and work as well-we will feature everything you do on our website and in our newsletter.

# Interns Wanted!

We accept applications for interested intern candidates on a rolling basis for Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. Interns do work in research, writing, social media, and many more areas here at our DC office.

We don't accomplish anything in this world Africa alone ... and whatever Faith happens is the result Justice Network of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something. -Sandra Day O'Connor 

If you are interested in starting a college chapter of AFJN please contact us at Director@afjn.org or call (202) 817.3670. Don't forget to follow us on social media!

