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## Biography

Imam Abdullah completed his basic training and education in his native Turkey. From 1996-2003 he worked on a variety of faith-based humanitarian and relief projects in Myanmar (Burma) and Malaysia with the Association of Social and Economic Solidarity with Pacific Countries. He is the founder and executive board member of the Muslim Chaplains Association and a member of the National Association of College and University Chaplains. From 2003 to 2005 he served as the first Muslim chaplain at Wesleyan University. He then moved to Hartford Seminary in Connecticut, where he was the associate director of the Islamic Chaplaincy Program & Interfaith Relations, as well as an adjunct faculty member.

As the Muslim chaplain at Duke University, he is be one of only a handful of full-time Muslim chaplains at U.S. colleges and universities. His work at Duke focuses on three primary areas:

- religious leadership for Duke's Muslim community
- pastoral care and counseling for persons of any faith, or of no ascribed faith
- intra- and interfaith work

He engages students, faculty, and staff across campus through seminars, panels, and other avenues to provide a Muslim voice and perspective to the discussions of faith, spirituality, social justice, and more. As part of this work, Chaplain Antepli serves as a faculty member in the Divinity School and at DISC (Duke Islamic Studies Center), teaching a variety of courses on Islam.

## Degrees

B.A. 19 Mayıs University, Turkey

M.A. Hartford Seminary

G.C. Hartford Seminary

D. Min. Candidate Hartford Seminary