STARR KING’S MISSION

The mission of Starr King School for the Ministry is to educate people for Unitarian Universalist ministry and for progressive religious leadership in society.

Starr King School’s distinctive educational approach is rooted in the Unitarian Universalist values of countering oppressions, cultivating multi-religious life and learning, and creating just and sustainable communities.

Starr King School aims to educate the whole person in the service of love, compassion, and justice, through:

• Teaching by who we are and what we do
• Student-centered participatory learning
• Excellence and depth in religious studies
• Formation in the arts of religious leadership
• Service with congregations and communities
• Active membership in the Graduate Theological Union
• Deepening self-awareness and cultivating spiritual practice
• Striving to live in right relationship with self, others, and the earth
STARR KING’S VISION

We are dedicated to advancing Starr King as a gem of educational imagination and excellence, with a resource base sufficient for the importance of the School’s mission.

We know that we embody Unitarian Universalist values in the way we do education, as well as in the content of our curriculum, and this will deepen as a hallmark of our educational excellence.

We know that the distinctive educational values of Starr King School make it a key resource for Unitarian Universalism's future, for the vitality of our ministers, for the life of our congregations, the education of our laity, and for the contributions we can make to the common good. We envision our future graduates leading thriving congregations whose ministries touch the heart, enliven the mind, and advance justice, equity and compassion in society.

We are engaged in theological education that fosters multi-religious understanding, counters oppressions and creates just and sustainable communities. We envision our efforts expanding to offer resources to congregations and other educational institutions.

We affirm that it is time to further widen our outreach to include the preparation of progressive religious leaders for society from multiple faith traditions and cultural locations. We envision our future graduates embodying progressive religious values in vocations of grace and courage that bless the world. We embrace our both/and identity. We are both Unitarian Universalist and committed to progressive religion in its diverse expressions.