

Directions to UMass

From Boston and points north

Route 128/93 to Route 24 south;
At exit 12 take Route 140 south to exit 2,
Route I-195 west to exit 12A
(See below)

From Providence, RI and points west

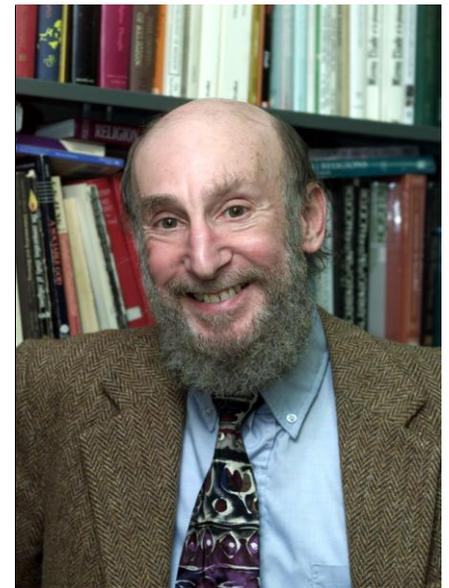
Route I-195 east through Fall River to exit
12 (see below)

From Exits 12 or 12A to the UMass Dartmouth campus

Take right off exit onto Faunce Corner
Road. Proceed south, traveling across
Route 6 onto Old Westport Road. At
fork, bear right, staying on Old Westport
Road. Campus is one mile on left. Follow
signs to visitor parking lot 4.



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Dartmouth***

***Presents
Dr. Douglas Allen, PhD***



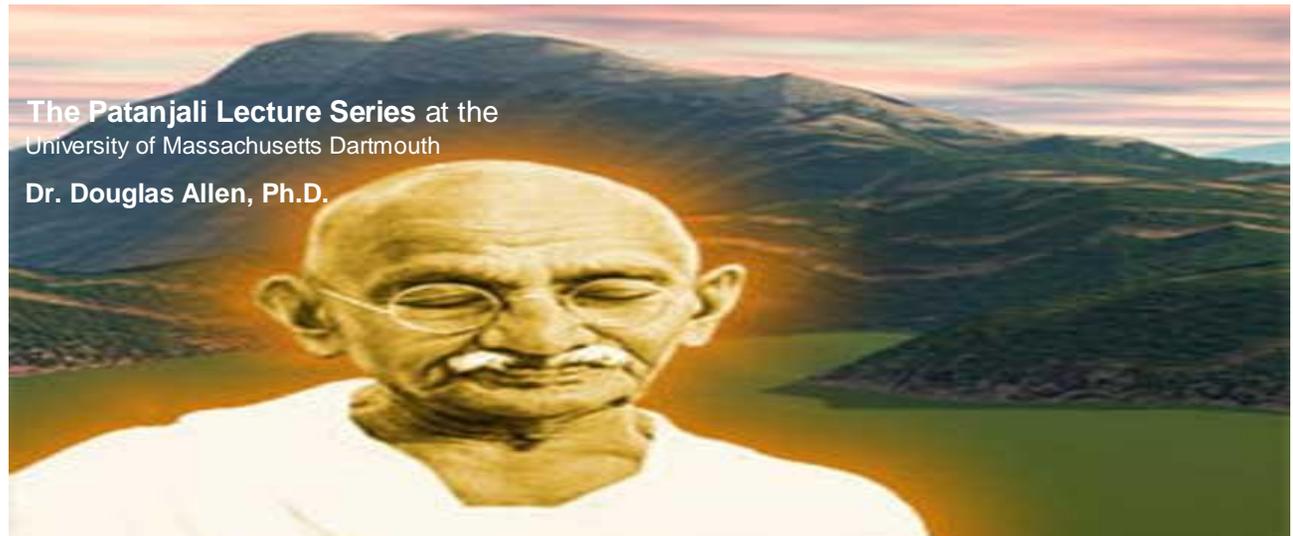
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The Patanjali Lecture Series

at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth is a special seminar series presented by the Center for Indic Studies. The seminar highlights topics relevant to modern society with a prominent scholar as a guest speaker. This Lecture Series is free and open to the public. This May the guest speaker is Dr. Douglas Allen, Ph.D. from the University of Maine.

Douglas Allen, Professor of Philosophy, at the University of Maine, is author and editor of twelve books, most recently *Myth and Religion in Mircea Eliade* (Routledge, 2002) and the edited *Comparative Philosophy and Religion in Times of Terror* (Lexington, 2006). He is the editor of the forthcoming *The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi for the 21st century* (Lexington, 2007). Honored with the Distinguished Maine Professor Award (teaching, research and service) and the Presidential Research and Creative Award (outstanding Maine Professor), he has been a recipient of Fulbright and Smithsonian grants to India. He served as President of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (2001-2004). A peace and justice scholar and activist, he was honored with the "Hands of Peace Award" in Maine and the "Scroll of Peace International for Peace Research" in India.



Religion and Violence: Why is Contemporary Religion so violent and does Mahatma Gandhi provide relevant alternative to Religious Violence?

May 10th, 2007, 7 – 9:00 PM

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What is the relation between religion and violence and why is there so much religious hatred and violence in the world today? After clarifying the nature of violence and the nature of religion we shall analyze why religion seems to be such a violent and destructive force throughout the Contemporary world and why it threatens to destroy life on this planet. Finally, we shall focus on Mahatma Gandhi's view of religion, as a radical alternative to the dominant forms of religion, to consider whether his emphasis on inclusivism, pluralism, unity with a respect for differences, relative truth, compassion, love and interreligious dialogue, can provide us with hopeful alternative to religious violence.

The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi: Violence, Non Violence and Peace Education

May 11th, 2007, 12:00 - 1:30 PM

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Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy can serve it's as a valuable catalyst challenging us and allowing us to rethink our views of violence and education. Especially insightful are his formulations of the multidimensionality of violence, including educational violence, and the violence of the status quo that is part of our education. Gandhi's nonviolent ethical approach to education offers possibilities for dealing with short term conflict and violence, but its greatest strength is its focus on long-term preventative education and socialization.