

Vikramashila Foundation India

Buddhist Sanskrit Text Study Program Announcements 2023

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संस्कृत-विद्यारम्भः ॥

Foundation Course in Sanskrit Language Studies

Our studies in Sanskrit will cover the basic and intermediate levels of the language. Whether you are an aspiring scholar, or a practitioner, our course will provide a firm grounding in the essential elements of Sanskrit and Buddhist studies.

Vikramasīlā Foundation India annual Commencement Day of Sanskrit Studies 2023

Date: 2nd February, 2023 Time: 08.30 am to 09.30 am

Join Zoom Meeting ID: 818 4660 5155 Passcode: 974954

Introduction to Sanskrit Language: Basic

Semester 1: Winter - Spring Semester 2023: 4th February – 15th April

Semester 2: Summer- Autumn Semester 2023: 1st August – 31st October

Time: 05.00 pm to 06.00 pm (Tuesdays and Saturdays only)

Introduction to Sanskrit Grammar:

(Only for those who completed 1 & 2 semester)

Semester 3: Winter - Spring Semester 2023: 4th February – 16th May

Semester 4: Summer- Autumn Semester 2023: 1st August – 31st October

Time: 06.00 pm to 07.00 pm (Tuesdays and Saturdays only)

Introduction to Hindi Language: Beginners level

Semester 1: 3rd April – 30th May, 2023

Semester 2: 4th August – 29th September, 2023

Time: 05.00 pm to 06.00 pm (Mondays and Fridays only)

Registration at Google forms: <https://forms.gle/JrfuNWrRXLy7KzaL9>

Please Note: For above mentioned Sanskrit language courses, its **compulsory** to attend Sanskrit Buddhist Terminology and courses from “Collection of jewels” series.

For more enquiry please contact: vikramashilafoundation@gmail.com

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Sanskrit Buddhist Terminology Class 2023

The study of Sanskrit terminology expands our knowledge of unique Sanskrit terms. We find depths of meaning in a single word. In fact, it is no exaggeration to say that we can find a whole world within a single word.

Date: Every month 2nd Thursday. Time: 04.00 pm to 06.00pm.

February 9	The Four Noble Truths
March 9	The Four immeasurable
April 6	The Ten Virtue and Ten Non-Virtue
May 11	The Paramitas
July 6	The Twelve Links of Dependent Origination
August 10	The Dharma
September 7	The Five Tathagatas
October 12	The Ten Boddhisatva Grounds
November 9	The Emptiness

Registration at Google forms: <https://forms.gle/ttBGXYXxLXZcxx6SA>

बोधिचर्यावतार - आचार्य शन्तिदेवा || Bodhisattvacaryāvatāra by Ācārya Śāntideva

The Bodhicharyāvatāra is one of the most revered texts of Mahayana Buddhism and the path of the Bodhisattva. The text reflects the profound realisation of the author and his life as a siddha. As part of our Sanskrit studies, we will explore the language and meaning of the text. Our classes will include reading the original words with the aim of developing accurate reading skills with respect to pronunciation and rhythm, recitation, as well as providing a contextual grasp of meaning.

Essential for VFI students of 3rd year*

Date: 5th April – 25th October | Time: 6.00 pm to 07.30 pm | Wednesdays

जातकमाला - आर्यशूर || Jātakamālā by Āryaśūra |

The Jātakamālā, the Garland of 34 stories of the Buddha's past lives by Āryaśūra presents us with an example of Sanskrit in its poetic mode and a particularly beautiful expression of Buddha dharma. In our reading and study of the Jātakamālā we will keep a watchful eye on word meaning, pronunciation, recitation method and grammatical constructs.

Essential for VFI students of 3rd year*

Date: 7th April – 27th October | Time: 6.00 pm to 07.30 pm | Fridays

आर्यमञ्जुश्रीनामसंगीति: The Names of Mañjuśrī - Introduction to sound of Mañjuśrī

Essential for VFI students of 4th year*

Date: 18th – 23rd July / 14th -19th November Time 04.00 to 06.00 PM.

Registration at Google forms: <https://forms.gle/52jYngJKAhLBNxkT9>

Please Note: Everyone is WELCOME to participate, please note that some background in the Sanskrit Language and Buddhism is required. **Under Donation***

रत्नसंग्रहः मन्त्र, सूत्र, धारणी, स्तोत्र, नामावली ||

Collection of jewels: Mantra, Sutra, Dhāraṇī, Stotra, Nāmāvalī

Expanding our capacity to a range of Sanskrit textual material. The emphasis will be on the correct pronunciation, recitation method, and word meaning to facilitate learning and unpack the meaning of original Buddhist text:

Semester 1

प्रज्ञापारमिताहृदयसूत्रम् || Prajñāpāramitāhṛdaya Sūtram | Heart of the Perfection of Wisdom Sutra|

Short Version: March 15 - 17, Time 06.00 to 07.30 PM

Long Version: May 20 - 23, Time 06.00 to 07.30 PM

Online recitations: 5th May, Buddha Purnima celebration

प्रतीत्यसमुत्पाद धारणी || Pratītyasamutpāda Dhāraṇī - Dhāraṇī of Dependent Origination

Date: March 22-24, Time 06.00 to 07.00 PM

वज्रसत्त्वशताक्षरम् मन्त्रः || The Hundred-Syllable Mantra of Vajrasattva

Date: 25-27 April Time: 04.00 - 05.30 PM

आर्यतारा दशाक्षरम् मन्त्रः || Ārya Tārā Daśākṣara mantraḥ Green Tara Ten Syllable mantra

Semester 1 Date: 29 – 31 March Time: 06.00- 07.30 PM

Retreat Date: 30th May - 4 June/ online / 4 session / Ārya Tārā Daśākṣara Mantraḥ Sādhana / Sanskrit

Semester 2

प्रज्ञापारमिताहृदयसूत्रम् || Prajñāpāramitāhṛdaya Sūtram | Heart of the Perfection of Wisdom Sutra|

Short Version: 2nd - 4th August Time 06.00 to 07.30 PM

Long Version: 1st – 5th November, Time 06.00 to 07.30 PM

Online recitations: 3rd July, Guru Purnima celebration

प्रतीत्यसमुत्पाद धारणी || Pratītyasamutpāda Dhāraṇī - Dhāraṇī of Dependent Origination

Date: 15th -16th October Time 06.00 to 07.00 PM

उष्णीषविजयाधारणी || Uṣṇīṣa Vijayā Dhāraṇī

Date: 8th – 9th October Time 06.00 to 07.30 PM

ताराष्टाघोरताराणी धारणी || Dhāraṇī of Arya Tara Who Saves from the Eight Fears

Date: 4th – 5th July Time 04.00 to 06.00 PM

भगवत्यार्यतारादेव्या नमस्कारैकविंशतिस्तोत्रम् ||

The Hymn of the Twenty - One Namaskāras of Bhagavati Tārā

Date: 7th – 15th July: Online workshop on Iconography and Sadhana

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Tīrtha Yātrā: 10 - 21 June 2023: Tīrtha Yātrā the pilgrimage to sacred places over Himalayas. Registration at Google forms: <https://forms.gle/52jYngJKAhLBNxkT9>

संस्कृत सुलेख || Samskrt calligraphy | Meditation in motion, forming auspicious lines

Date: Every month, on the last Sunday | Time: 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm

29th January, 26th February, 26th March, 30th April, 28th May, 25th June, 30th July, 27th August, 24th September, 29th October, 30th November

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ध्यान - Dhyāna- Meditation: The Guided Daily Meditation: 6.00 am to 7.00 am.

Together we will accumulate the virtue of Dhyāna, with step-by-step learning.

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Donation: There is no charge for the teachings, however your donation supports the activities of the Vikramashila Foundation India.

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