

Erasmus Academy Summer Language Program 2021

Sanskrit Online May 24 – July 15, 2021

Purpose

This intensive course is designed for college and graduate students desiring to learn the Sanskrit language for their proficiency exam for masters and PhD programs, for other university students or motivated high school student desiring to read in the language, or for others with a personal interest in Sanskrit and its literature for devotional or other purposes. It provides a thorough presentation of classical Sanskrit grammar and introduces the student to Sanskrit prose, with an emphasis on reading and translation. No previous knowledge of the language is required. The objective of the course, approximating a year of university instruction, is to bring the student to an intermediate reading level, preparing him or her to enter a second year college Sanskrit course.

Course Structure

As a distance learning course, students may take this class from any location, including the convenience of their home. They will need to have access to the Internet and to a telephone line. The course meets in “real time” and participants are expected to attend all the scheduled sessions. Each student has the opportunity to participate fully in every class by listening, speaking, translating, and posing questions. Assignments may be emailed to the Instructor. The 8-week course meets two times a week (Mondays & Thursdays), 6:15pm-9:15pm EST; it comprises 48 hours of instruction. Each 3-hour session includes grammar, strategies for analyzing Sanskrit sentences, vocabulary & verb review, sight-reading, and quizzes. Presuming 4 hours of outside preparation for each hour in class, 30 hours (6 + 24) a week should be available for study.

Textbook

Devavāṇīpraveśikā: An Introduction to the Sanskrit Language by Robert P. Goldman and Sally J. Sutherland Goldman. Third Edition. Center for South Asia Studies, University of California, Berkeley.

Recommended reference work: *A Sanskrit Grammar for Students* by Arthur A. MacDonell. Third Edition. London: Oxford University Press.

Instructor

Dr. B.J. Chiarucci earned MA and PhD degrees from the University of California Berkeley in the Department of South and Southeast Asian Studies. She spent the summer of 2004 at Heidelberg University in Germany, practicing spoken Sanskrit, and she spent several summers in India where she took further language courses in Sanskrit, Prakrit, and Tamil. At UC Berkeley, she taught in the Dept. of South and Southeast Asian Studies and in the Department of History of Art between 2005-2011. Her interests include Sanskrit literature, the history of yoga, and manuscript studies. Dr. Chiarucci currently lives in Kyoto, Japan from where she will be teaching the Erasmus Academy Sanskrit summer course according to the schedule as indicated above.

Registration, Course Fee and Refund Policy

The fee per course is \$1250. Please complete the Application for Enrollment form above and submit it, together with the non-refundable deposit of \$75, by May 1, 2021. This reserves for you a place in the course. You may download this Application for Enrollment form, complete, scan and return by email attachment as indicated below. Payments are made online, on the website. The balance of \$1175 is due by May 10, 2021, two weeks prior to the first class, on May 24, '21. There are “Early Bird” registration options. If the

full payment is made by February 15, 2021, the total fee for the course is \$1050. If full payment is made by March 15, 2021, the course fee is \$1100. If full payment is made by April 15, 2020, the course fee is \$1150. Thereafter the normal course fee of \$1250 applies. These options are found on the website's Online Store, Refund Policy: If, after the first two weeks, a student wishes to discontinue a course, a letter to this effect must be received by the Erasmus Academy Office (via the email below) by 4:00 pm ET on Friday, June 4, 2021. Thereupon, a refund of the total amount paid less the non-refundable deposit of \$75 will be returned to the student. There are no refunds after June 4, 2021.

Registration Deadline: May 1, 2021
Course Fee: \$1250

*If you would like to contact the Instructor directly,
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