

Erasmus Academy Summer Language Program 2018

Sanskrit Online **May 21 – July 12, 2018**

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 \$950. Please complete the Application for Enrollment form above and submit it, together with the non-refundable deposit of \$75, by May 1, 2018. This reserves for you a place in the course. Early registration is recommended due to space availability. You may download the Enrollment form, complete, scan and return by email attachment as indicated below. Payments may be made online, on the website. If you prefer mailing the Enrollment form and deposit of \$75, please do so using the Brooklyn,

NY address below. Make checks payable to **Erasmus Academy**, and enter language in the memo line. The balance of \$875 is due by May 10, 2018, 11 days prior to the first class, on May 21, '18. There is an "Early Bird" registration option. If the full payment is made by March 1, 2018, the total fee for the course is \$850. This option is found on the website's Online Store. If, after the first two weeks, a student wishes to discontinue the course, a letter to this effect must be received by the Erasmus Academy Office by 4:00 pm EST on Friday, June 1, 2018. Thereupon, a refund of \$875 will be returned to the student (\$775 for Early Bird registrants). There are no refunds after June 1, '18.

Registration Deadline: May 1, 2018
Course Fee: \$950

*If you would like to contact the Instructor directly,
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