

# Doctor of Philosophy Programme in Sanskrit Studies

Department of Oriental Languages  
Graduate School, Silpakorn University

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## Admission

The applicants for admission must be graduate in the field of humanities or social sciences. The applicants who are graduate in other fields may apply with the consent of the Department of Oriental Languages.

The applicants for admission must meet the requirements stipulated by Regulations on Graduate Studies of Silpakorn University.

First Semester: August – December 2014

Second Semester: January – May 2015

## Structure of the Curriculum

**Plan 2.1** (For applicants holding Master's degree)

The minimum required credits are **48** consisting of:

|                        |    |         |
|------------------------|----|---------|
| Required courses       | 6  | credits |
| Elective Courses       | 6  | credits |
| Thesis (equivalent to) | 36 | credits |

**Total** **48 credits**

**NB:** Students who obtained Master's degree in Sanskrit more than 5 year or students who are graduate in other fields must study non-credit prerequisite courses to make up a required minimum of 4 credits.

**Plan 2.2** (For applicants holding Bachelor's degree)

The minimum required credits are **72** consisting of:

|                                 |    |          |
|---------------------------------|----|----------|
| Non-credit Prerequisite Courses | (6 | credits) |
| Required courses                | 6  | credits  |
| Required Elective courses       | 12 | credits  |
| Elective Courses                | 6  | credits  |
| Thesis (equivalent to)          | 48 | credits  |

**Total** **72 credits**

**NB:** Students must study non-credit prerequisite courses to make up a required minimum of 6 credits.

## Course Requirements

### Non-credit Prerequisite Courses:

|         |                                      |   |         |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---|---------|
| 336 500 | Sanskrit Grammar                     | 4 | credits |
| 336 501 | Linguistic Approach to Sanskrit      | 2 | credits |
| 336 600 | English Texts on on Sanskrit Studies | 2 | credits |

### Required Courses:

**NB.** The figures following the courses signify the following: (1) the figure preceding the bracket signifies the credit (2) the first figure in the bracket signifies duration of a class in hour in a week, (3) the figure in the middle signifies the practical undertaking for a student, the last figure in the bracket signifies the self-study by a student.

**Required Courses** constitute 18 credits for **plan 2.1** and **plan 2.2** consisting of the following:

|         |   |          |
|---------|---|----------|
| 336 610 | Seminar on Researches in Sanskrit Studies | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 611 | Research Methodology in Sanskrit Studies  | 3(3-0-6) |

**Required Elective Courses** are divided into 3 branches, namely (1) Philosophy (2) Sanskrit Literature and (3) Buddhism.

**Students of plan 2.1** must select courses from either of the three branches as their major to make up a minimum of **6** credits.

### Courses in the Branch of Philosophy

|         |   |          |
|---------|---|----------|
| 336 620 | Seminar on Principal Systems of Indian Philosophy | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 621 | Seminar on Vedic Philosophy                       | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 622 | Seminar on Brāhmana and Āranyaka Philosophy       | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 623 | Seminar on Upanisads and Bhagavadgītā Philosophy  | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 624 | Seminar on Indian Logic                           | 3(3-0-6) |

### Courses in the Branch of Sanskrit Literature

|         |                                       |          |
|---------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| 336 630 | Seminar on Sanskrit Epic Literature   | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 631 | Seminar on Sanskrit Purāna Literature | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 632 | Seminar on Sanskrit Prose Literature  | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 633 | Seminar on Sanskrit Poetic Literature | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 634 | Seminar on Sanskrit Drama             | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 635 | Seminar on Sanskrit Tales             | 3(3-0-6) |

### Courses in the Branch of Sanskrit Literature

|         |  |          |
|---------|--|----------|
| 336 640 | Seminar on History and Concept of Theravāda Buddhism | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 641 | Seminar on History and Concept of Mahāyāna Buddhism  | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 642 | Seminar on History of Buddhist Sanskrit Literature   | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 643 | Seminar on Buddhist Sanskrit Sūtras                  | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 644 | Seminar on Buddhist Sanskrit Avadāna                 | 3(3-0-6) |

### Thesis (for plan 2.1)

|         |                        |    |         |
|---------|------------------------|----|---------|
| 336 650 | Thesis (equivalent to) | 36 | credits |
|---------|------------------------|----|---------|

Students of **plan 2.2** must study non-credit prerequisite courses to make up a required minimum of 6 credits. *Non-credit Prerequisite Courses* are as follows:

|         |                                      |   |         |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---|---------|
| 336 500 | Sanskrit Grammar                     | 4 | credits |
| 336 501 | Linguistic Approach to Sanskrit      | 2 | credits |
| 336 600 | English Texts on on Sanskrit Studies | 2 | credits |

Students of **plan 2.2** must select the required courses for 6 credits. *Required Courses* are as follow:

|         |   |          |
|---------|---|----------|
| 336 610 | Seminar on Researches in Sanskrit Studies | 3(3-0-6) |
| 336 611 | Research Methodology in Sanskrit Studies  | 3(3-0-6) |

Students of **plan 2.2** must select the *Required Elective Courses* from the curriculum of Master's Degree in Sanskrit Studies to make up a required minimum of 12 credits. The *Required Elective Courses* are as follow:

|         |   |          |
|---------|---|----------|
| 336 510 | Buddhist Texts in Sanskrit                    | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 511 | Rāmāyana Mahābhārata and Purānas              | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 512 | Survey of Sanskrit Literature                 | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 513 | Theories of Sanskrit Criticism                | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 514 | Rgvedasajhitā                                 | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 515 | Introduction to Nyaya                         | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 516 | Pānini Grammar                                | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 517 | Sanskrit in Art and Culture in Southeast Asia | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 518 | Indology                                      | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 520 | Yajurveda, Sāmaveda and Atharvaveda           | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 521 | Brāhmaṇa and Āraṇyaka                         | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 522 | Upanisads                                     | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 523 | Indian Philosophy                             | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 524 | Sanskrit Texts in Indian Philosophy           | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 530 | Sanskrit Poetry                               | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 531 | Sanskrit Drama                                | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 532 | Sanskrit Fables                               | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 533 | Kathā and Ākhyāyikā                           | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 540 | Lalitavistara                                 | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 541 | Saddharmapundarīkasūtra                       | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 542 | Sukhāvātīvyūhasūtra                           | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 543 | Śūnyavāda Philosophy                          | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 544 | Vijbānavāda Philosophy                        | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 545 | Mahāvastu Avadāna                             | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 546 | Jātakamālā                                    | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 547 | Pāli Buddhist Canon                           | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 548 | Pāli Commentaries                             | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 549 | Pāli Historical Texts                         | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 550 | Sanskrit Conversation and Recitation of Sloka | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 551 | Prakrit Language                              | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 552 | Hindi Grammar                                 | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 553 | Hindi Conversation                            | 2(2-0-4) |
| 336 554 | Hindi Reading                                 | 2(2-0-4) |

**Students of plan 2.2** must select courses from either of the three branches as their major to make up a minimum of **6** credits.

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**Thesis (for plan 2.2)**

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