



GE 2:

- BSOE 201A: Origin and Development of Buddhist Sects in India and their Philosophy
- BSOE 201B: Devotion in Chinese Buddhism
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| Course Title & Code | Credits | Credits distribution of the course | | | Eligibility Criteria | Prerequisite of the course, if any |
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| | | Lecture | Tutorial | Practical | | |
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This paper is aligned with Sustainability Development Goals 2030: 4 Quality Education

Objectives: This course aims at providing students with a comprehensive treatment of the grammar, syntax, and usage of Pāli, in order to allow them, by the end of the year, to read independently simple Pāli texts, and to pursue more advanced studies in Pāli or Buddhist literature.

Course Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, a student should be able to demonstrate a clear understanding of the origin and development of Mahāyāna Buddhism.

Contents

Unit-I: History of the Origin of Buddhist Sects in India

Unit-II: Basic Philosophy of Sthaviravāda, Sāṃghika, Lokottaravāda, Sarvāstivāda, Yogācāra and Madhyamika.

Unit-III: Canons of the Major Buddhist sects

Unit-IV: Introduction of Mahāyāna Buddhism.


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