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Lecture: Every Wednesday from 6:30pm-9:20pm
Venue: CPD 2.37

Course Description

Pāli is the language of Theravāda Buddhism commonly practiced in South and Southeast Asia. This Theravāda school of Buddhism is the only Buddhist school that has preserved a complete canon since the 3rd century B.C.E. This course is meant for those students who have no prior knowledge of the language and who wish to become familiar with Pāli expressions and idioms, and with the basic requirements to understand Pāli Buddhist texts. The main focus of the course is to introduce basic grammar together with exercises, including phonetics, parts of speech, nouns of different gender and their declension, verbs and their conjugations, participles and their functions, syntax and classification of sentences. At the end of the course the students are expected to be able to read simple Pāli sentences and understand their religious and philosophical significance in context.

Prerequisite: BSTC2016 Pāli language I

Assessment

50 % Course work (including a mid-term test) and 50 % Term-end Examination.
Mid-term Test (Will be arranged during middle of the semester)
Term-end exam (Will be arranged during the official assessment/examination period)

General expectations of student performance at the various grades


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### Lecture Schedule

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| Lesson 1 | Jan 22, 2019 | I: Declension of nouns: ‘i’ and ‘u’ ending Neuter Nouns.  
Particless, and classification of nouns.  
Exercise 15.  
| Lesson 2 | Feb 5, 2019   | I: Pronouns, Adjectives.  
Exercise: 15.  
| Lesson 3 | Feb 12, 2019  | I: Declension of Demonstrative Pronouns.  
Declension of the Present Participle.  
Exercise 16.  
| Lesson 4 | Feb 19, 2019  | I: Declension of the Present Participle.  
Past Participles.  
Exercise 17.  
| Lesson 5 | Feb 26, 2019  | I: Past Participles.  
Exercise 17:  
| Lesson 6 | Mar 4, 2019   | I: Adjectives.  
Exercise 18.  
(Mid-term Test). |
| Lesson 7 | Mar 18, 2019  | I: Numerals, Ordinal Numerals.  
Exercise 19.  
| Lesson 8 | Mar 25, 2019  | I: Adverbs, Syntax.  
Exercise: 20.  
| Lesson 9 | Apr 1, 2019   | I: Passive Voice.  
Exercise 21.  
| Lesson 10 | Apr 8, 2019   | I: Passive Participles.  
Exercise 22.  
| Lesson 11 | Apr 15, 2019  | I: Causative Verbs.  
Exercise: 23.  
| Lesson 12 | Apr 22, 2019  | Review                                                                                     |
| Lesson 13 | Apr 29, 2019  | To be confirmed                                                                           |
**Textbook**


**Reference**

1. K.R. Norman: *Pāli Literature* (online edition is available)

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