

University of Calgary
Faculty of Humanities
Department of Religious Studies
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Religious Studies 211 L20 - Spring 2008
Sanskrit I

Time: TR 1:00-3:45

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Textbook

Robert P. Goldman and Sally J. Sutherland Goldman. *Devavanipravesika*. (Third Revised Edition) Berkeley: University of California, 2004.

Course Description

This course is an introduction to the basic grammar and syntax of the classical Sanskrit language. The course will introduce students to the *devanagari* script, common noun and verb forms, and to the basic skills necessary to translate simple Sanskrit sentences. The goal of the course is to provide students with the skills necessary to read elementary Sanskrit passages with the aid of a glossary and a grammar. There will be little, if any, emphasis placed on English to Sanskrit composition or on spoken Sanskrit.

Course Organization and Requirements

This course will follow closely the organization of the textbook. Students can expect to cover approximately one chapter each class. It may however be necessary to spend two sessions on more difficult and complex chapters. The goal is to complete the first ten chapters of the textbook by the end of the three-week term.

Because this is a six week course, the amount of material to be covered in each session is significant. It is required that students attend each class. It is also expected that students invest a significant amount of time outside of class reviewing lessons, memorizing grammatical rules and paradigms, practicing translations, and completing homework assignments.

The weighted requirements for this course are:

1. Daily Quizzes 30%
2. Daily Homework 30%
3. Participation 20%
 - each absence from class will result in a 2% reduction of the final grade
 - each student is permitted one "pass", each subsequent "pass" will result in a 2% reduction of the final grade
4. Two-Hour Registrar Scheduled Final Exam 20%

Grading

The grading scale for this course is:

A+ >95	A 90-95	A- 85-89
B+ 80-84	B 75-79	B- 70-74
C+ 65-69	C 60-64	C- 55-59
D+ 53-54	D 50-52	F < 50

Academic Accommodation: If you are a student with a disability who requires academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation.

Intellectual Honesty: Students should be familiar with University regulations regarding academic integrity (University Calendar, p. 48-52).

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- a) *the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the one submitting or presenting the work (this includes having another impersonate the student or otherwise substituting the work of another for one's own in an examination or test),*
- b) *parts of the work are taken from another source without reference to the original author,*
- c) *the whole work (e.g., an essay) is copied from another source, and/or*
- d) *a student submits or presents work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with that student) without the knowledge of or prior agreement of the instructor involved.*

While it is recognized that scholarly work often involves reference to the ideas, data and conclusions of other scholars, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted."

Plagiarism occurs not only when direct quotations are taken from a source without specific acknowledgement but also when original ideas or data from the source are not acknowledged. A bibliography is insufficient to establish which portions of the student's work are taken from external sources; footnotes or other recognized forms of citation must be used for this purpose.

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