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Group in Buddhist Studies (BUDDSTD)

BUDDSTD 50 Introduction to the Study of Buddhism 4 Units

Department: Group in Buddhist Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week for 15 weeks. 8 hours of Lecture and 2 hours of Discussion per week for 6 weeks.

This course will consider materials drawn from various Buddhist traditions of Asia, from ancient times to the present day. However, it is not intended to be a comprehensive or systematic survey; rather than aiming at breadth, it is designed around key themes such as ritual, image veneration, mysticism, meditation, and death. The overarching emphasis throughout the course will be on the hermeneutic difficulties attendant upon the study of religion in general, and Buddhism in particular.

BUDDSTD C50/EA LANG C50/S,SEASN C52 Introduction to the Study of Buddhism 4 Units

Department: Buddhist Studies; East Asian Languages and Cultures; Group in Buddhist Studies; South and Southeast Asian Studies **Course level:** Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week for 15 weeks. 8 hours of Lecture and 2 hours of Discussion per week for 6 weeks.

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BUDDSTD 114 Tibetan Buddhism 4 Units

Department: Group in Buddhist Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture per week for 15 weeks. 8 hours of Lecture per week for 6 weeks.

This course is a broad introduction to the history, doctrine, and culture of the Buddhism of Tibet. We will begin with the introduction of Buddhism to Tibet in the eighth century and move on to the evolution of the major schools of Tibetan Buddhism, Tibetan Buddhist literature, ritual and monastic practice, the place of Buddhism in Tibetan political history and the contemporary situation of Tibetan Buddhism both inside and outside Tibet.

BUDDSTD C114/S ASIAN C114/TIBETAN C114 Tibetan Buddhism 4 Units

Department: Buddhist Studies; Group in Buddhist Studies; South Asian; Tibetan

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall and spring Grading: Letter grade.

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