

College of the Humanities  
Religion Program: RELI 1015A  
Introduction to Sanskrit I

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**Class time:** 6:05-8:55PM Mondays and Wednesdays

**Course Description:**

The course is an introduction to the Sanskrit language. It focuses on learning to read and write Sanskrit. The course has no conversational component to it, but students are taught how to sound out Sanskrit in Devanāgarī, the script we will learn. We hope in this course to cover the first nine chapters of our grammar, *Devavāṇīpraveśikā*. The second course (Reli 2015, Intro. to Sanskrit II) attempts to complete the rest of the grammar.

**Required Texts:**

*Devavāṇīpraveśikā: An Introduction to the Sanskrit Language, second edition, revised.* Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 2009.

- The text book is **not** available through the Carleton book store. Students should buy the book on-line via Amazon.ca (also check the US and UK Amazon sites for availability), or abebooks etc
- Motilal Banarsidass is the latest publisher for the book. Before Motilal it was published by the University of California. If you find a used edition from Uni of California it will be fine to use in the class

### **Course Requirements and Evaluation:**

1. Attendance, participation and homework checks (20%) Students will receive a grade for attendance and for participation when homework is taken up. Students who are absent or who come to class without completed homework will be penalized.
2. Quizzes (20%) There will be quizzes on each of the nominal and verbal paradigms taught in the course. With the exception of the first class, there will be at least one quiz per class.
3. Tests (30%) There will be a test at the end of each chapter, though in some cases tests may cover two chapters. Students should expect about six to seven tests over the course of the class, at least one test a week.
4. Final exam (30%) The final exam will be written in the formal examination period and will be scheduled by examination services.

### **General Notes on Evaluation:**

1. Please see “Regulations Common to all Humanities Courses” attached to the syllabus for policy on plagiarism, grading systems, requests for academic accommodation and petitions to defer.
2. Missed tests, quizzes, exams and assignments can only be made up if the student supplies adequate written documentation (i.e., a doctor’s note, an obituary) for the absence.
3. Attendance and completing the assigned homework is very important for success in this course. The course compresses 12 weeks of work into 6 weeks; hence, missing class or falling behind doubles the amount of work a student has missed if they fail to attend and do the assigned work.

### **Class Reading and Lecture Schedule:**

- The progress of the course is dependent on our ability to move through the textbook, so I will not post a class by class schedule
- Tests and quizzes will be announced the class before they occur

## REGULATIONS COMMON TO ALL HUMANITIES COURSES

### COPIES OF WRITTEN WORK SUBMITTED

Always retain for yourself a copy of all essays, term papers, written assignments or take-home tests submitted in your courses.

### PLAGIARISM

The University Senate defines plagiarism as “*presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.*” This can include:

- reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original source;
- submitting a take-home examination, essay, laboratory report or other assignment written, in whole or in part, by someone else;
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, or paraphrased material, concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings;
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s works and/or failing to use quotation marks;
- handing in “*substantially the same piece of work for academic credit more than once without prior written permission of the course instructor in which the submission occurs.*”

Plagiarism is a serious offence which cannot be resolved directly with the course’s instructor. The Associate Deans of the Faculty conduct a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They can include a final grade of “F” for the course

### GRADING SYSTEM

Letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100 (12)	B = 73-76 (8)	C - = 60-62 (4)
A = 85-89 (11)	B- = 70-72 (7)	D+ = 57-59 (3)
A- = 80-84 (10)	C+ = 67-69 (6)	D = 53-56 (2)
B+ = 77-79 (9)	C = 63-66 (5)	D - = 50-52 (1)

F	Failure. Assigned 0.0 grade points
ABS	Absent from final examination, equivalent to F
DEF	Official deferral (see “Petitions to Defer”)
FND	Failure with no deferred exam allowed -- assigned only when the student has failed the course on the basis of inadequate term work as specified in the course outline.

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean.

### WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY

The last date to withdraw from **EARLY SUMMER** courses is **JUNE 19, 2012**. The last day to withdraw from **FULL SUMMER and LATE SUMMER** courses is **AUGUST 15, 2012**.

### REQUESTS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term because of disability, pregnancy or religious obligations. Please review the course outline promptly and write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. You can visit the Equity Services website to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation at: [carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/](http://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/)

Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Documented disabilities could include but not limited to mobility/physical impairments, specific Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/psychological disabilities, sensory disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and chronic medical conditions. Registered PMC students are required to contact the PMC, 613-520-6608, every term to ensure that your Instructor receives your Letter of Accommodation, no later than two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first in-class test/midterm requiring accommodations. If you only require accommodations for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodations to PMC by the last official day to withdraw from classes in each term. For more details visit the PMC website: [carleton.ca/pmc/accommodations/](http://carleton.ca/pmc/accommodations/)

### PETITIONS TO DEFER

If you miss a final examination and/or fail to submit a **FINAL** assignment by the due date because of circumstances beyond your control, you may apply a deferral of examination/assignment. If you are applying for a deferral due to illness you will be required to see a physician in order to confirm illness and obtain a medical certificate dated no later than one working day after the examination or assignment deadline. This supporting documentation must specify the date of onset of the illness, the degree of incapacitation, and the expected date of recovery.

If you are applying for a deferral for reasons other than personal illness, please contact the Registrar’s Office directly for information on other forms of documentation that we accept.

Deferrals of assignments must be supported by confirmation of the assignment due date, for example a copy of the course outline specifying the due date and any documented extensions from the course instructor.

Deferral applications for examination or assignments must be submitted within **5 working days** of the original final exam.

### ADDRESSES: (Area Code 613)

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Registrar's Office 520-3500	300 Tory
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Paul Menton Centre 520-6608/TTY 520-3937	501 Uni-Centre
Writing Tutorial Service 520-2600 Ext. 1125	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Library
Learning Support Service 520-2600 Ext 1125	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Library