

14-26 August 2010 - Pali Summer School with Prof Richard Gombrich

Cost £475

The Society for the Wider Understanding of the Buddhist Tradition (So-Wide) offers an intensive Pali course this summer, 14-26 August inclusive.

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1 -14 September 2010 - Meditation in Yogacara Buddhism with Prof Florin Deleanu

Cost £40

The course will offer an introduction to the formation and early history of the meditative path of spiritual cultivation in the Yogacara tradition (also known as Yogacara-Vijñānavada or Cittamatra), one of the major Mahayana schools in the Indian Buddhism. We shall first survey some of the earlier Sravakayana and Mahayana ideas which influenced the formation of the Yogacara path of spiritual cultivation. Then we shall focus on this path as it appears depicted in some of the key texts of the school, such as the Bodhisattvabhūmi, Sa.dhīnirmocanasūtra, Mahāyānasūtrāla.kāra, Madhyantavibhagabha.ya, Mahāyānasa.graha, etc. Throughout the course, attention will also be paid to the basic Yogacara doctrines which are closely connected to its spiritual praxis.

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