Kathmandu University’s Centre for Buddhist Studies at Rangjung Yeshe Institute

Course Code | ELAN 102
Course Title | Academic English I
Semester, Year | Fall, 2024
Schedule: class day & time | Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30a-09:30a
Required text(s) | [Course Reader, available in digital form on Teams/ available in the office]
Optional Readings | 

Course Description

The English Language program at RYI consists of three courses—English Language 101, 102 and 103. It is intended for students whose first language is not English. Its goal is to help these students meet university level expectations in areas such as reading, writing, speaking and critical thinking. The English Language program at RYI teaches these essential skills within the larger context of Buddhist studies and uses mainly Buddhist materials for its primary sources.

Learning Outcomes

English Language 102 is for students who have met an English language proficiency minimum, but who still need more practice in applying their English language skills within the academic study of Buddhism.

This course will focus on the related skills of reading and writing about Buddhism within the context of Buddhist studies.

To achieve the central focus of the course, there will be relevant exercises on such topics as: evaluating and constructing arguments; essay writing; formatting, citing and referencing sources; etc.

By the end of the course, students will be more proficient at the above listed skills. They will be better prepared for the more intensive study of Buddhism at the bachelor’s degree level.

Course Requirements

| How do I succeed in the course? | Demonstrated improvement in the use of Academic English |
## Assessments

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