Rangjung Yeshe Gomde California
Dharmachakra School of Translation

Intensive Intermediate Classical Tibetan Summer Course

Application Deadline: May 1st, 2019
Rolling admissions begin January 20th, 2019

Please follow the instructions and provide all the information you believe is important for us to know about your studies and background. This is a competitive program with limited space; therefore we unfortunately cannot admit all applicants. Applicants are selected based on the rigor of their previous studies, their letter of recommendation, and their response essays. Admissions begin January 20th, so we encourage everyone to apply as early as possible to secure their place in the program.

Application Instructions

1. Fill out the Application Form.

2. Write a two-page essay describing your background with Tibetan language and with the Tibetan Buddhist tradition and your reasons for wanting to participate in our program.

3. Submit official transcripts from academic or other programs in which you have studied classical Tibetan. If you have not studied classical Tibetan formally, please write a one-page statement detailing your language background and explain why you feel your background qualifies you for this intermediate-level program.

4. Submit a letter of recommendation from your most recent classical Tibetan instructor or mentor. This letter should be sent directly by the instructor to GomdeBSSP@gmail.com

5. Submit the Application Form, essays, and transcripts via email to GomdeBSSP@gmail.com

6. If you are accepted into the program, we will notify you by email and send you further details on the program. Your place in the program will be secured upon payment of a non-refundable $500 deposit.
Gomde California is a scenic but remote part of Northern California where health services are limited. It is therefore important that you inform us of all health conditions, allergies, and medications you take. Please describe any health concerns and medications you take in as much detail as possible:

Tibetan Language and Buddhist Studies Background

Briefly list the institutions and programs in which you’ve studied Classical Tibetan. Include the number of years you studied in each program, the instructor, and course titles. If you have not studied formally, please submit a one-page description of your informal studies separately (see point 3 in the Application Instructions above).
Please describe your background in **Buddhist Studies**. If you have studied academically, please briefly list the schools where you have studied and the courses on Buddhism you have taken. For those from a traditional background, please briefly list the teachers you have studied with and what topics you’ve focused on.

What genres of **Buddhist literature** are you most interested in studying?

If you have studied **colloquial Tibetan**, briefly describe your studies including the number of years and institutions where you have studied, or the context of your studies if you studied outside of an institutional setting.