

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
Department of Religious Studies
Sanskrit III: Epic Sanskrit (SRK 3202)
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Course Description:

This course is the third-semester continuation of instruction in the grammar and writing system of the Classical Sanskrit language. Students will continue to work through the primer to learn syntax, noun declensions, pronouns, the verbal root system, more verb tenses, relative-correlative constructions, and reading strategies for translating efficiently. Students will learn how to trace words back to their root forms and gain competency with reference works such as dictionaries and root lists.

Course Objectives:

By the end of the semester, students should be able to:

- (1) Decline *-a*-stem, *-i*-stem, and consonant-stem nouns and pronouns in all three genders
- (2) Understand the verbal class system and the formation of the present, imperfect, and imperative tenses.
- (3) Learn the parts of speech of Sanskrit syntax and continue translating sentences with greater grammatical complexity.

Textbooks:

Required Text:

- Goldman, Robert P. and Sally J. S. Goldman. *Devavāṇīpraveśikā: An Introduction to the Sanskrit Language*, 3rd ed. (Berkeley: Center for South Asia Studies, U.C. Berkeley, 2004).

Recommended Books

- Macdonell, Arthur A. *A Sanskrit Grammar for Students*, 3rd ed. (Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 1974). (Can be purchased at southasiabooks.com)
- Whitney, William D. *The Roots, Verb-Forms and Primary Derivatives of the Sanskrit Language*. (Springfield, VA: Nataraj Books, 2004).

Course Requirements:

I. Attendance and Class Participation

It is a key for students to attend class in order to be successful in this course. If a student arrives late or leaves early it is BOTH disruptive to the lecturer and students alike. To alleviate this from happening I will count ONE absence for every TWO late arrivals or early departures. Class participation is also important so that students can challenge each other. Involvement and dialogue is highly encouraged in this class. Attendance and class participation is vital to a university education and will make up 33% of the course grade.

II. Weekly Quizzes

There will be quizzes given with the lessons as we cover them in the Goldmans' primer. Be prepared for weekly quizzes on Fridays. Quiz grades will be factored into the attendance and class participation grade, which is 33% of the final grade.

III. Final Exam

There will be a final exam held during the final scheduled class meeting of the term (Dec. 5), which is 34% of the final grade.

Note: Students also give a written evaluation of their own performance in the course.

Course Policies:

I. Plagiarism

Plagiarism is defined as “theft of another person’s work or ideas,” and will NOT be tolerated.

Plagiarism, in forms some students may not be aware of may include:

- (1) A written work that is entirely stolen from another source
- (2) Using quotations from sources without proper citation
- (3) Paraphrasing from a source without proper citation

Students are expected to understand the definition of plagiarism. To view the University Code of Academic Integrity please visit <http://www.fiu.edu/~oabp/misconductweb/2codeofacainteg.htm>

When all else fails, ask the instructor for help. If you are found guilty you could receive a failing grade for the course which in some cases leads to dismissal from the course and in severe cases from the university.

Course Grade Distribution and Grading Scale:

Attendance and Class Participation	33%
Quizzes	33%
Final Exam	34%

Grading scale:

93-100 A	90-92 A-		
87-89 B+	83-86 B	80-82 B-	
77-79 C+	73-76 C	70-72 C-	
67-69 D+	63-66 D	60-62 D-	0 - 59 F

Day	Subject and Study Material
Mon Aug 25	Introduction and Refresher Review
Wed Aug 27	Review of Sandhi
Fri Aug 29	Review of Noun Declension, Verb Conjugation
Mon Sep 01	No class – Labor Day
Wed Sept 03	Goldman, Lesson 6: <i>-i</i> and <i>-u</i> nouns; Relative-Correlative and Interrogative Constructions – Read Chapter
Fri Sept 05	Goldman, Lesson 6: Exercises, p. 107 (Review in class)
Mon Sept 08	Goldman, Lesson 6: Reading, p. 108 (Review in class)
Wed Sept 10	Goldman, Lesson 6: Reading, p. 108
Fri Sept 12	Goldman, Lesson 6: Finish Reading, p. 108 Quiz: Feminine <i>-ā</i> -stem noun declension
Mon Sept 15	Goldman, Lesson 7: The Verb Class (gaṇa) System, Overview, Review of <i>Parasmaipada</i> and <i>Ātmanepada</i> Verb Conjugations
Wed Sept 17	Goldman, Lesson 7: 1 st class verb formation (√bhū)
Fri Sept 19	Goldman, Lesson 7: 4 th and 6 th class verb formation (√div, √tud) Quiz: masculine <i>-i</i> and <i>-u</i> -stem nouns
Mon Sept 22	Goldman, Lesson 7: 10 th class verb formation (√cur, √cint), formation of verbalized nouns
Wed Sept 24	Goldman, Lesson 7: 2 nd class verb formation (√dviṣ, √ad)
Fri Sept 26	Goldman, Lesson 7: 3 rd class verb formation (√hu) Quiz: Verb Conjugation of √bhū in P and Ā
Mon Sept 29	Goldman, Lesson 7: 5 th class verb formation (√su)
Wed Oct 01	Goldman, Lesson 7: 7 th class verb formation (√rudh)
Fri Oct 03	Goldman, Lesson 7: 8 th class verb formation (√tan) Quiz: Feminine <i>-ī</i> -stem noun declension
Mon Oct 06	Goldman, Lesson 7: 9 th class verb formation (√krī)
Wed Oct 08	Goldman, Lesson 7: Exercises, p. 132-3
Fri Oct 10	Goldman, Lesson 7: Reading, p. 133 (No Quiz)
Mon Oct 13	Goldman, Lesson 7: Reading, p. 133
Wed Oct 15	NO CLASS: INSTRUCTOR AT CONFERENCE
Fri Oct 17	NO CLASS: INSTRUCTOR AT CONFERENCE
Mon Oct 20	Goldman, Lesson 8: Imperfect Tense (lañ)
Wed Oct 22	Goldman, Lesson 8: Exercises (Practice forming imperfect)
Fri Oct 24	

	Goldman, Lesson 8: Exercises (Practice forming imperfect) Quiz: 3rd class verbs in Imperfect Tense (P and Ā conjugations)
Mon Oct 27	Goldman, Lesson 8: Verbal Prefixes, Reading Exercise
Wed Oct 29	Goldman, Lesson 8: -an-stem nouns and Noun Strength, Reading Ex.
Fri Oct 31	Goldman, Lesson 8: Finish Reading Exercise Quiz: 2nd class verb (√dviṣ) formation, Imperfect (P and Ā)
Mon Nov. 03	Goldman, Lesson 4: First Person Pronouns
Wed Nov. 05	Goldman, Lesson 4: Second Person Pronouns
Fri Nov. 07	Goldman, Lesson 5: Third Person Pronouns
Mon Nov.10	Goldman, Lesson 9: -as nouns, Passive Constructions
Wed Nov. 12	Goldman, Lesson 9: Passive Constructions, Exercises
Fri Nov. 14	Goldman, Lesson 9: Exercises Quiz: -an-stem nouns
Mon Nov.17	Goldman, Lesson 9: Reading Exercise
Wed Nov. 19	Goldman, Lesson 9: Reading Exercise
Fri Nov. 21	Goldman, Lesson 9: Finish Reading Exercise Quiz: -as nouns
Mon Nov. 24	NO CLASS: INSTRUCTOR AT CONFERENCE
Wed Nov. 26	NO CLASS: INSTRUCTOR AT CONFERENCE
Fri Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Holiday
Mon Dec. 01	Review for Final Exam
Wed Dec. 03	Review for Final Exam
Fri Dec. 05	Final Exam Performance Evaluations Due at Beginning of Class