

## Nalanda 2017 Teachings & Study Schedule

We will study one required text throughout 2017, supplemented with optional books as your interest allows.

### REQUIRED BOOK

Sakya Pandita's "Clarifying the Sage's Intent" (Wisdom Publications, Library of Tibetan Classics, 2015)  
translated by David P. Jackson  
pages 383-602 in Stages of the Buddha's Teachings: Three Key Texts

This is a scholarly edition, not a popularization. Nalanda has copies available at \$30 because we are a sponsor of the Library of Tibetan Classics. List price of this book is \$59.95, so save \$30 by picking up your copy at the Dharma Center on Thursday nights.

### OPTIONAL BOOKS

Some weeks will have teaching and discussion from Shantideva. We do not have these books for sale, but here are two readily available editions:

"A Guide to the Bodhisattva Way of Life" (Snow Lion, 1997) translated by VA Wallace and BA Wallace  
"The Way of the Bodhisattva" (Shambala, 2006) translated by Padmakara Translation Group

A free pdf of the Snow Lion version is at

<http://selfdefinition.org/tibetan/Santideva-A-Guide-To-The-Bodhisattva-Way-Of-Life.pdf>

A different translation with commentary is at

[http://www.tenzinzopa.com/Ebooks/Cttb\\_Book\\_Final\\_Complete.pdf](http://www.tenzinzopa.com/Ebooks/Cttb_Book_Final_Complete.pdf)

Also, Geshe Jamyang recommends "For the Benefit of All Beings" (Shambala) by HH the Dalai Lama as summer reading.

SEE NEXT PAGE for calendar of reading assignments and monthly Dharma talks.

Read the indicated section before Thursday night, when  
there will be teaching, discussion, and practice about the reading.

Only Chapter numbers are given for the Shantideva readings, because the pages will vary by edition.

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TEACHINGS	TEXT	CHAPTER	PAGES	# pages	TOPIC
Sakya Pandita: Clarifying the Sage's Intent Shantideva: A Guide to the Bodhisattva Way of Life (or equivalent)					
01/05/17	DHARMA TALK: Going for Refuge				
01/12/17	Refuge Ceremony & Tsok				
01/19/17	Sakya Pandita	2	389-399	11	Taking Refuge
01/26/17	Shantideva	1			[Bodhicitta]
02/02/17	DHARMA TALK: Buddha Nature (please read Sakya Pandita Ch. 1 pp. 385-388 before)				
02/09/17	Sakya Pandita	3	401-414	14	Generating the Resolve to Attain Awakening
02/16/17	Shantideva	3			[Adopting the Spirit of Awakening]
02/23/17	Shantideva	4			[Attending to the Spirit of Awakening; Carefulness]
03/02/17	DHARMA TALK: General Presentation on Bodhicitta				
03/09/17	Sakya Pandita	4	415-426	12	The Perfection of Generosity
03/16/17	Sakya Pandita	5	427-436	10	The Perfection of Moral Discipline
03/23/17	Shantideva	2			[Confession]
03/30/17	Shantideva	5			[Guarding Introspection; Vigilance]
04/06/17	DHARMA TALK: Patience & Diligence				
04/13/17	Sakya Pandita	6	437-446	10	The Perfection of Patience
04/20/17	Sakya Pandita	7	447-456	10	The Perfection of Diligence
04/27/17	Shantideva	6,7			[Patience; Diligence]
05/04/17	DHARMA TALK: Meditative Concentration note: this is Thursday before retreat				
05/11/17	Sakya Pandita	8	457-483	17	The Perfection of Meditative Concentration
05/18/17	Shantideva	8			[Meditative Concentration]
05/25/17	to be announced				
06/01/17	DHARMA TALK: Transcendental Wisdom & the Two Truths				
06/08/17	Sakya Pandita	9 part 1	485-511	27	first part of The Perfection of Wisdom
06/15/17	Sakya Pandita	9 part 2	512-528	17	Achieving Unmistaken Understanding
06/22/17	Shantideva	9			[Wisdom]
06/29/17	Sakya Pandita	10	529-535	7	The Four Means of Attraction
07/06-08/31/2017	Practice only: no formal monthly Dharma teachings during summer months				