



Faculté de philosophie et lettres

FLTR

GLOR1817 **Sanskrit (cours élémentaire)**

[30h] 6 credits

Teacher(s): Christophe Vielle
Language: french
Level: 1st cycle course

Aims

Initiation into classical Sanskrit, the religious and literary language of traditional India, for the purpose of text-reading.

Main themes

Brief historical introduction to the Sanskrit language according to both its Indo-European setting and its Pāṇinian norm. Description of the nāgarī system of writing. Systematic account of the phonetics (with special attention to the rules of sandhi or euphonic combination), and the nominal and verbal morphology (derivation and flexion). Emphasis on the peculiarities of the lexical composition and the syntax. The grammatical outlines are exemplified through paradigms. Progressive exercises of reading, including the acquiring of a basic vocabulary, are proposed to the students who wish to continue their learning of the language beyond the elementary level.

Content and teaching methods

The aim of the course is to initiate the student into classical Sanskrit, the religious and literary language of traditional India, for the purpose of text-reading. Therefore, after a brief historical introduction to the language according to both its Indo-European setting and its Pāṇinian norm, the lectures are devoted to 1° a description of the nāgarī system of writing; 2° a systematic account of the phonetics (with special attention to the rules of sandhi or euphonic combination), and the nominal and verbal morphology (derivation and flexion); 3° an emphasis on the peculiarities of the lexical composition and the syntax. The grammatical outlines are exemplified through paradigms. Progressive exercises of reading, including the acquiring of a basic vocabulary, are proposed to the students who wish to continue their learning of the language beyond the elementary level.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Prerequisites: none.

Evaluation: the level of the examination will be different according as the student either only attends the lectures as a secondary choice within a program mainly non-indological, or prepares for being able to attend the class at the advanced level, which presupposes both the successful completion of the proposed exercises and a further training into the reading of texts.

Other credits in programs

CLAS21	Première licence en langues et littératures classiques	(3 credits)
CLAS22	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures classiques	(3 credits)
HORI21	Première licence en langues et littératures orientales (philologie et histoire orientales)	(6 credits)
HORI22	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures orientales (philologie et histoire orientales)	(6 credits)
HORI2M1	Master en langues et littératures anciennes, orientation "orientales"	(6 credits)
ISP12	Deuxième candidature en philosophie et lettres : philosophie	(6 credits)