

SANS 30100, 40100:
Third- and Fourth-year Sanskrit

Fall term, 2012
Foster Hall 209
Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:30-2:50

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Text: We'll be reading from Chapter 8 (entitled *dhyānapāramitā*) of Śāntideva's *Bodhicaryāvatāra*, with the commentary (*pañjikā*) of Prajñākaramati; more precisely, we'll be reading the section, beginning with 8.89, called *parātmasamatā* ("sameness of self and other"). Our edition of first recourse will be the still-unsurpassed edition of Louis de La Vallée Poussin: *Prajñākaramati's Commentary to the Bodhicaryāvatāra of Āryadeva* (Calcutta: Asiatic Society of Bengal, published in fascicles over the period 1901-14). Also available for consultation will be Swāmī Dwārikādas Śāstrī, ed., *The Bodhicaryāvatāra of Āryadeva, with the Commentary Pañjikā of Śrī Prajñākaramati* (Varanasi: Bauddha Bharati, 2001), and P. L. Vaidya, ed., *Bodhicaryāvatāra of Śāntideva, with the Commentary Pañjikā of Prajñākaramati* (Buddhist Sanskrit Texts, No. 12; Darbhanga: The Mithila Institute, 1960). A hard copy of Vaidya's edition is on reserve at Regenstein, but PDFs of the relevant portions of all three editions will be made available.

Additional resources: While both Śāntideva and Prajñākaramati wrote eminently classical Sanskrit, students may find it advisable occasionally to consult Franklin Edgerton's *Buddhist Hybrid Sanskrit Dictionary* (available online at <http://gandhari.org/a_bhsd.php>). Everyone should also know about Gary Tubb's excellent *Scholastic Sanskrit: A Manual for Students* (with Emery Boose; New York: American Institute of Buddhist Studies / Columbia University, 2007). Luis Gómez's very useful bibliography on the *Bodhicaryāvatāra* can be found online at <<http://www.mangalamresearch.org/resources/BcaBiblio.pdf>>.

Requirements: In addition to regular participation in class, students will be required to take a final exam that will be given on a date to be determined. Instead of the exam, students in (or beyond) their fourth year of Sanskrit may choose to write a paper consisting in a comparative analysis and critique of the treatments of our text (8.89, ff.) to be found in any three of the many available translations of Śāntideva's text.