

# Beginning Sanskrit (Part II)

SRK 1121 Section 0241

Spring 2015

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(Or By Appointment)

**Course Meetings:** MTWR Period 4 (10:40 – 11:30)  
**Course Location:** TURL 2303

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## Course Description

Beginning Sanskrit (Part II) continues to provide an introduction to the classical language of ancient South Asia (Indian subcontinent). The primary goal is to assist students in mastering the basics of classical Sanskrit grammar while simultaneously building upon the beginning student's Sanskrit vocabulary. This course assumes that the student has taken Beginning Sanskrit I, or has an equivalent beginning foundation in Sanskrit. Although pronunciation and recitation are important and will comprise a necessary part of the course, emphasis will continue to be given to acquiring reading skills that will enable the student to eventually engage in Sanskrit textual material such as the Indian epics, Buddhist narratives, and Sanskrit dramas.

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## Required Text

Goldman, Robert P., and Sally J. Sutherland. *Devavāṇīpraveśikā: An Introduction to the Sanskrit Language*. Berkeley: Centers for South and Southeast Asia Studies, 2002.

## Optional Text

MacDonell, Arthur Anthony. *A Sanskrit Grammar for Students*. New Delhi: D.K. Printworld, 2002.

## Optional Dictionary

Macdonell, Arthur Anthony. *A Practical Sanskrit Dictionary: With Translation, Accentuation, and Etymological Analysis Throughout*. New Delhi: Munshiram Manoharlal, 2003.

## Grading Breakdown

Participation: 15%  
Homework Assignments: 20%  
Quizzes: 20%  
Midterm Exam: 20%  
Final Exam: 25%

## Evaluation

Grades will be computed based on the percentages given above according to the following grading scale:

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

For more information about UF's minus grade system visit:  
<https://www.isis.ufl.edu/minusgrades.html>

### **Participation**

As in any language course, the student's active participation is a critical part of the learning process. Active participation, therefore, comprises 15% of your grade. Examples of active participation include (but are not limited to): coming to class prepared to answer questions regarding homework assignments and readings, presenting translations (either verbally or by writing on the board), verse recitation, and contributing to in-class group activities. As your presence is required for active participation, both attendance and tardiness affect your participation grade (see **Attendance and Tardiness** below).

### **Homework Assignments**

Homework assignments consist of reading assigned lessons, completing exercises such as translation exercises and paradigm dictation, memorizing paradigms, memorizing vocabulary, and so forth. These assignments comprise 20% of your grade. You are expected to attend class with previously assigned homework assignments completed *before* class begins. For more on homework assignments see **Attendance and Tardiness** below.

### **Quizzes**

Throughout the semester I will conduct quizzes. Unless otherwise indicated, I will conduct a quiz once per week on a Thursday at the beginning of class. The quiz will always be based on the current weekly readings and homework assignments. A quiz *cannot* be made up by a student that missed it due to an unexcused absence *or* tardiness. These quizzes, in total, will comprise 20% of your grade. I will drop the two lowest quiz grades.

### **Midterm Exam**

The midterm exam is worth 20% of your grade. The exam will consist of providing conjugation and declension paradigms for previously learned verbs and nouns, defining vocabulary words, grammatical identification exercises, and Sanskrit-to-English reading and translation exercises. **The midterm will be administered on 2/26/2015 during week 8 of the course.**

### **Final Exam**

The final exam is worth 25% of your grade and will be structured like the midterm exam (only longer). As this is a language course and retention is extremely important, the final exam will be cumulative. The exam is scheduled to be held on **Frida, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** in our

regular classroom. The last week of class will be devoted to review and questions in order to help you better prepare for the exam.

### **Attendance and Tardiness**

Attendance is mandatory, and you are expected to come to each class session prepared by having read the required readings and/or completed the homework assignment *prior* to class. This is not a courtesy on your part; it is a *requirement* for the course that comprises the core of your participation grade.

Students are also expected to arrive to class on time. That is, students should be ready to begin class at the appointed time (10:40). Tardiness is not only disrespectful to your instructor and fellow students, it also adversely affects your participation grade. Lastly, if students are in the process of taking a quiz, tardy students must remain outside of class until the other students finish the quiz.

Make-ups and/or late assignments will *only* be allowed/accepted if valid excuses for missed classes are submitted in writing and in a timely manner, along with pertinent documentation (such as note from a doctor). Written excuses for planned absences (such as participation in athletic events or religious observances, for example) must be submitted in advance.

**Under no circumstances will a student be permitted to pass the course after missing eight hours of class (unexcused).**

For more on UF's attendance policy visit

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>

### **Academic Honesty**

Guidelines for academic honesty at the University of Florida can be found at:

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/advising/info/student-honor-code.aspx#honesty>

Students are expected to familiarize themselves with the guidelines detailed at the above sites and adhere to them.

### **Students with Disabilities**

Any student with a disability must register with the office of the Dean of Students:

<http://accessibility.ufl.edu/>

### **Tentative Course Schedule** (subject to modification)

Week 1 **Lesson Twelve: Nominal Composition** (No quiz)

T. 1/06	Nominal Stems in ‘-in’; Nominal Composition ( <i>samāsa</i> )	
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W. 1/07	Nominal Composition Continued	Read Lesson 12
R. 1/08	Nominal Composition Continued	Ex. 12.C & 12.D

**Week 2 Lesson Twelve and Thirteen: Compounds Cont. & the Infinitive**

M. 1/12	Exercise 12 Reading & Translation	Ex. 12.A & 12.B
T. 1/13	Exercise 12 Reading & Translation	Extra Credit: 12.F
W. 1/14	Begin Lesson Thirteen: The Infinitive	Read Lesson 13
R. 1/15	The Infinitive and Compounds Cont.	Begin Ex. 13.A

**Week 3 Lesson Thirteen Continued**

M. 1/19	<b>NO CLASS, MLK DAY</b>	
T. 1/20	Exercise 13 Reading & Translation	Finish Ex. 13.A & 13.B
W. 1/21	Exercise 13 Reading & Translation	Ex. 13.C
R. 1/22	Exercise 13 Reading & Translation	Extra Credit 13.E

**Week 4 Lesson Fourteen: Compounds Concluded & the Optative**

M. 1/26	<i>dyandva</i> and <i>avyayībhāva samāsa-s</i>	Read Lesson 14
T. 1/27	The Optative ( <i>vidhi liṅ</i> )	Begin Ex. 14.A
W. 1/28	Exercise 14 Reading & Translation	Cont. Ex. 14.A
R. 1/29	Exercise 14 Reading & Translation	Ex. 14.A, 14.B, & Extra Credit 14.D

**Week 5 Lesson Fifteen: The Present Participle**

M. 2/02	The Present Participle ( <i>vartamāne kṛdanta</i> )	Read Lesson 15
T. 2/03	The Present Participle Cont.	Ex. 15.A
W. 2/04	Exercise 15 Reading & Translation	Ex. 15.B
R. 2/05	Exercise 15 Reading & Translation	Ex. 15.C & 15.F

**Week 6 Lesson Sixteen: Non-gana Conjugations**

M. 2/09	Non-‘a’ <i>gana</i> Conjugations & the Simple Future	Read Lesson 16
T. 2/10	The Conditional, Periphrastic Future, and the Gerundive	Begin Ex. 16.A
W. 2/11	Exercise 16 Reading & Translation	Finish Ex. 16.A
R. 2/12	Exercise 16 Reading & Translation	Ex. 16.B, Extra Credit 16.E

**Week 7 Lesson Seventeen: The Perfect**

M. 2/16	The Perfect ( <i>parokṣabhūte liṅ</i> )	Read Lesson 17
T. 2/17	The Perfect Cont.	Ex. 17.A
W. 2/18	Exercise 17 Reading & Translation	Ex. 17.B

R. 2/19	Exercise 17 Reading & Translation	Ex. 17.C and 17.G
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Week 8 **Review and Midterm Exam** (No Quiz)

M. 2/23	Review	None other than review
T. 2/24	Review Continued	None other than review
W. 2/25	Review Continued	None other than review
R. 2/26	<b>Midterm Exam</b>	None other than review

Week 9 **SPRING BREAK—NO CLASSES**

Week 10 **Lesson Eighteen: Secondary Conjugations and the Denominative**

M. 3/09	Secondary Conjugations: The Causative	Read Lesson 18 (up to 18.13)
T. 3/10	Gerund and Gerundive	Read Lesson 18 (up to 18.20)
W. 3/11	The Desiderative	Read Lesson 18 (up to 18.27)
R. 3/12	The Denominative	Read Lesson 18 (entire)

Week 11 **Lesson Eighteen Continued**

M. 3/16	Exercise 18 Reading & Translation	Ex. 18.A
T. 3/17	Exercise 18 Reading & Translation	Ex. 18.B
W. 3/18	Exercise 18 Reading & Translation	Ex. 18.C
R. 3/19	Exercise 18 Reading & Translation	Ex. 18.E

Week 12 **Lesson Nineteen: Additional Pronouns, Numerals, and the Aorist**

M. 3/23	Additional Pronouns and Numerals	Read Lesson 19
T. 3/24	The Aorist and Injunctive	Ex. 19.A
W. 3/25	Lesson 19 Reading & Translation	Ex. 19.B
R. 3/26	Lesson 19 Reading & Translation	Ex. 19.C & 19.D, Extra Credit 19.F

Week 13 **Lesson Twenty: Nominal Derivation and Sanskrit Vocabulary**

M. 3/30	Nominal Derivation	Read Lesson 20, Ex. 20.A
T. 3/31	Lesson 20 Reading & Translation	Ex. 20.B
W. 4/01	Lesson 20 Reading & Translation	Ex. 20.C
R. 4/02	Lesson 20 Reading & Translation	Ex. 20.D, Extra Credit 20.F

Week 14 **Lesson Twenty-One: Odds & Ends**

M. 4/06	Review Lesson 21	Read Lesson and Ex. 21.A
T. 4/07	Lesson 21 Reading & Translation	Ex. 21.B
W. 4/08	Lesson 21 Reading & Translation	Ex. 21.C

R. 4/09	Lesson 21 Reading & Translation	Ex. 21. E
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Week 15 **Lesson Twenty-Two: Readings from the *Rāmāyaṇa***

M. 4/13	Lesson 22 Reading & Translation	Lesson 22 Trans.
T. 4/14	Lesson 22 Reading & Translation	Lesson 22 Trans.
W. 4/15	Lesson 22 Reading & Translation	Lesson 22 Trans.
R. 4/16	Lesson 22 Reading & Translation	Lesson 22 Trans.

Week 16 **Review and Final Exam Preparation** (No quiz)

M. 4/20	Final Class and Review	None other than review
T. 4/21	Final Class and Review	None other than review
W. 4/22	Final Class and Review	None other than review

**Final Exam:** Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. in our regular classroom.