

University of Toronto/McMaster University

NUMATA BUDDHIST STUDIES PROGRAM 2014-15

LUCIA DOLCE (School of Oriental and African Studies)

LECTURE: *Of Monks and Embryos: Tantric Practices and the Ritualization of Buddhist Embryology in Mediaeval Japan*

THURSDAY, September 18, 2014, 3-5 pm, UTSG, JHB 317

READING GROUP: *Taimitsu Rituals in Medieval Japan: Sectarian Competition and the Dynamics of Tantric Performance*

FRIDAY, September 19, 2014, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

ANNABELLA PITKIN (Barnard College, Columbia University)

READING GROUP: *The 'Age of Faith' and the 'Age of Knowledge': Secularism, Devotion and Modern Tibetan Miracle Narratives*

THURSDAY, November 6, 2014, 3-5 pm, UTSG, JHB 317

LECTURE: *Miracles, Magic and Modernity: Modes of Tibetan Buddhist Power and their Interpretations*

FRIDAY, November 7, 2014, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

CARL YAMAMOTO (Towson University)

READING GROUP: *Mastering Space, Time, Symbol: Lama Zhang and the Buddhist Hegemonization of Central Tibet*

THURSDAY, January 15, 2015, 3-5 pm, UTSG, JHB 317

LECTURE: *Orphan Texts: Making Sense of Genre Anomalies in Lama Zhang*

FRIDAY, January 16, 2015, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

SHI HUIFENG (Fo Guang University)

READING GROUP: *Literary Parallelism. Connecting Criticism and Hermeneutics in an Early Mahāyāna Sūtra*

THURSDAY, January 22, 2015, 3-5 pm, UTSG, JHB 317

LECTURE: *Chiasmus in Buddhist Literature: Theory and Case Studies*

FRIDAY, January 23, 2015, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

VINCENT TOURNIER (School of Oriental and African Studies)

LECTURE: *Self-ordination in an Indian Monastic Code*

THURSDAY, February 12, 2015, 3-5 pm, UTSG, JHB 317

READING GROUP: *The Mahāvastu and the Vinayaṭīka of the Mahāsāṃghika-Lokottaravādin*

FRIDAY, February 13, 2015, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

LORI MEEKS (University of Southern California Dornsife)

LECTURE: *A 'Wondrous Gift' For Women?: The Blood Bowl Sutra in Buddhist Commentaries from Early Modern Japan*

THURSDAY, March 5, 2015, 2:30-4:30 pm, UTM, Faculty Club, DV3140

READING GROUP: *Changing Views of Nunhood in Kamakura-Period Japan: The Case of Kenreimon'in*

FRIDAY, March 6, 2015, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122

DOMINIC STEAVU (University of California Santa Barbara)

LECTURE: *Material Culture and Technology in East Asian Esoteric Buddhism*

THURSDAY, March 12, 2015, 2:30-4:30 pm, UTM, Faculty Club, DV3140

READING GROUP: *Buddhist Medicine and the Affairs of the Heart*

FRIDAY, March 13, 2015, 4-6 pm, McMaster, University Hall 122