

M.A. Programme in Mahayana Buddhism

With the kind assistance of the Most Venerable Prof. Dr. Phra Dharmakosajarn, the Rector of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, the Ching Chueh Buddhist Sangha University was founded within Kuang Teh Temple in Kaohsiung, Taiwan in 2003. In 2009, Most Venerable Master Ching Hsin, the rector of CCBSU, felt that it is his obligation to set up the Graduate School of Ching Chueh Buddhist Sangha University for the students who would like to have further studies after graduating from this university. With the approval of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, the first session of M.A. Programme in Mahayana Buddhism started recruiting qualified graduate students in September, 2009.

Objectives

1. To produce Buddhist graduates with right understanding of Mah ā y ā na Buddhism and modern sciences which are useful to study and propagate Buddhism. °
2. To produce Buddhist graduates with good moral conducts and abilities to apply Mah ā y ā na teachings to develop oneself and societies. °
3. To produce Buddhist graduates with curiosity, creativity and abilities to do Buddhist researches and produce the new bodies of knowledge on Mah ā y ā na Buddhism. °

School Term

Two semesters in a year:

The first semester: from the middle of September to the middle of January next year

The second semester: from the middle of February to the middle of July.

Structure of Curriculum

Structure	Credits
1. Required subjects	8
2. Major subjects	12
3. Elective subjects	6
4. M.A. Thesis	12
Total	38

Learning Plan

● First Semester

No.	Subject Code	Subject Title	學分 Credits
1.	618101	Mahayana Sutras (Required Subjects)	3
2.	618108	Mahayana Sastra (Required Subjects)	3

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3	6 1 8 1 0 4	English (Compulsory)	0
4	6 1 8 1 0 6	Mahayana Buddhism in India and China (Major Subject)	3
		Total	9

Second Semester

No.	Subject Code	Subject Title
1.	618 203	Research Methodology in Mahayana Buddhism (Required Subjects)
2.	618 205	Buddhist Meditation (Compulsory)
3.	618 207	Mahayana Sutras in English (Major Subject)

4.	618 209	Tien T' ai School (Major Subject)
		Total

Third Semester

No.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Credits
1.	618 308	Comparative Study of Mahayana Sutras in China and Japan (Major Subject)	3
2.	618 310	Buddha Nature (Elective Subject)	2
3.	618 313	Three Pure Land Sutra (Elective Subject)	2
4.	618 316	Dhyana and Ch' an School (Elective Subject)	2
		Total	9

Fourth Semester

No.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Credits
1.	618 400	M.A. Thesis Mahayana Sutras (Required Subjects)	12
		Total	