

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL FOR JAIN STUDIES



9th Jain Studies Summer School

Admissions for ISSJS2013*

June 1st to August 10th 2013

HURRY: Last Date for Submission of Applications February 14th 2013

* Accredited by Mangalayatan University to earn three credit units



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International Summer School for Jain Studies (ISSJS)

The ISSJS2013 programs are the 9th annual summer program started in 2005. Every year the number of participants attending various programs is increasing with improved schedules and better facilities to enhance learning.

The ISSJS programs are intended to provide scholars/students in philosophy, religion, anthropology, theology and South Asian studies associated with any recognized/accredited university systems; an opportunity to pursue experiential and academic studies of Jainism in India.

The course of study follows a daily schedule of academic lectures by eminent Jain scholars covering a range of topics from Jain history, philosophy, rituals, ethics and contemporary Jain life. An important part of this program is the opportunity to conceptualize what is learned in the class room by visiting academic, historical places of interests, interacting with Jain communities and participating in cultural activities. Saturday's are kept for social interactions, visiting holy places of Jains, observing rituals and traveling to ISSJS locations. Sundays are kept free for the participants to attend to their personal agenda like visiting touristy and sightseeing places /shopping etc on their own.

IMPORTANT FACULTY MEMBERS

Dr. Jayendra Soni PhD, BHU India and PhD, McMaster University Ontario Canada and lecturer for 21 years at University of Marburg in Germany and his wife Dr. Luitgard Soni will be with ISSJS-2013 from June 21st to July 14th to teach philosophy and literature and guide research work.

Mr. Savior Vila of Spain, currently a visiting faculty member at Universities of Mahidol Bangkok and Tokyo and associated with leading professional organizations of the world, Associate Director ISJS South East Asia is also likely to be with ISSJS-2013 coordinating the execution of the entire program.

THE ISSJS-2013 PROGRAMS

Each ISSJS program is designed for a target group of participants depending on their interest in and exposure to Jain studies. To provide closer attention to participants, for ISSJS-2013, we plan to offer following distinct and stand alone programs in 2013. All these are improved versions of similar ISSJS-2012 programs.

- **ISSJS2013.4W:** June 3rd to July 1st 2013. For senior undergraduate and graduate students from philosophy/religion/anthropology streams. Graduate, PhD students and faculty members (from other streams can also apply for this program. The class size is limited to a maximum of 20 participants. If the number of accepted participants is more than 30 or if an individual university sends a batch of 15 to 20 students, then the ISSJS2013.4W programs will be divided into two separate classes.
- **ISSJS2013.6W:** June 2nd to July 13th 2013. For senior graduate and PhD students, research fellows and faculty members in religion studies/philosophy/South Asian studies (ISSJS2013.6W). The class size is limited to 20 participants to enable serious discussions and participation by the attending scholars.

General conditions applicable to ISSJS2013.4W and ISSJS2013.6W programs

Eligibility:

- All participants must be affiliated to a recognized university or college.
- Applicants having demonstrable interest in Jain or Buddhist studies, South Asian studies, Religions, Philosophy or Anthropology are preferred.
- Capability to pay the fees and other expenses likely to be incurred.
- Fluency in English (spoken and written).
- Specific eligibility criterion mentioned under each program.
- While this is a non-sectarian program, due to the fact that students will be intimately engaged with the Jain community, applicants must be willing to absorb an insider's view of Jainism and adhere to Jain dietary restrictions and customs while in India.

Admission process

- The application can be made on line by visiting www.isjs.in
- The applications can also be made by downloading the application form from www.isjs.in and emailing the application to admission@isjs.in
- Recommendation letters can be sent by the recommending faculty by email or mail directly to ISJS at admission@isjs.in.
- Complete application must reach ISJS offices by February 14th, 2013.

Level-I ISSJS2013.4W

The level-I program builds on the prior knowledge of the students about Jainism or Indian religious systems in terms of scope, depth, and intensity. It aims at acquiring proficiency in Jain studies and prepares the participants to undertake Jain studies as a part of their research project/studies.

This four weeks intermediate level program is designed to cater to the needs of bright undergraduate (3rd and 4th year of their study program) and graduate students in philosophy, religion, South Asian studies and anthropology. You can earn three credit units from Mangalayatan University after successful completion of this program.

Professors, faculty, PhD students in allied subjects (like history, art, music, public health, bio-ethics, education, management etc) who desire to learn about Jainism and then pursue it further as a part of their graduate studies can also attend this program.

Particular of the program

Date	Class size	Places of stay	Fees
June 3 rd - July 1 st , 2013	20	Delhi, Aligarh, Jaipur	US\$ 600

For earning credit hours, you have to pay an additional fee of US\$25 to Mangalayatan University (for administration and mailing transcripts to your university). You need to make it clear in your application that you intend to receive the three credit units from Mangalayatan University for transfer to your university.

Terms of interest to participants

- This program is available to students registered with any university as undergraduate or graduate student or faculty member/PhD students.
- ISJS provides full lodging (twin shared air cooled rooms), boarding (Jain vegetarian wholesome food) and inland travel in India associated with the program.
- All other costs including air travel to India and back, visa and medical insurance, stay in India prior to or after the program and all personal expenses including medical and toiletries are to be borne by the candidate himself/herself.
- An acceptance fee of US\$200 is payable in advance to Mahavir Vision Inc, USA (scjain@earthlink.net) when an admission is offered to you and you accept to attend the program. This will be adjusted in US\$ 600 total fee for the program payable by you. It is however advisable that the entire fee is electronically transferred to ISJS India (details will be intimated on request) prior to your departure to minimize issues concerning money and time needed to settle payments.
- ISJS does not provide any stipend or financial assistance to any participant of this program.
- The balance of the fee US\$400 (if the entire amount is not transferred electronically prior to your departure to India) is payable by the Participants in US\$ or Euro on the first day of their joining the program in India. You have to pay an additional fee of US\$25, if you wish to earn and carry three credit units from Mangalayatan-ISJS combine.
- Candidates who withdraw from the program shall forfeit their initial deposit and pay an additional US\$35 per day for the days attended by them in India.
- Please apply on www.isjs.in for admission.

Level-II ISSJS2013.6W (Advanced Program)

This program aims at meeting specialized needs of serious and motivated bright scholars, faculty, alumni, and exceptionally bright graduates who have demonstrated keen interest in South Asian or religious studies. Post Doctoral scholars and full time teaching cum research faculty involved in religion, South Asian religions or studies and languages, anthropology, theology and allied subjects.

This program involves study of Jain holy texts as well as independent research also. Ideally the participant should have prior demonstrable exposure to Jain academic studies or South Asian studies.

Particular of the program

Date	Class size	Places of stay	Fees
June 2 nd - July 13 th , 2013	20	Delhi, Jaipur, Varanasi	US\$ 700

Terms of interest to participants

- ISJS provides full lodging (twin shared air cooled rooms), boarding (Jain vegetarian wholesome food) and inland travel in India associated with the program.
- All other costs including visa and medical insurance stay in India prior to or after the program and all personal expenses including medical and toiletries are to be borne by the candidate himself/ herself.
- An acceptance fee of US\$200 is payable in advance to Mahavir Vision Inc, USA (scjain@earthlink.net) when an admission is offered to you and you accept to attend the program. This will be adjusted in US\$ 700 total fee for the program payable by you. It is advisable that the entire fee is electronically transferred to ISJS India (details will be intimated on request) prior to your departure to minimize issues concerning money and time needed to settle payments.
- The balance of the fee US\$500 (if the entire amount is not transferred electronically prior to your departure to India) is payable by the Participants in US\$ or Euro on the first day of their joining the program in India.
- Candidates who withdraw from the program ISSJS2013.6W during the program forfeit their initial deposit of US\$200 and shall return the airfare (if pre-paid) plus expenses incurred by ISJS @ US\$40 per day for the duration of the program attended by him/her in India.
- Please apply on www.isjs.in for admission.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO ISSJS2013.6W PARTICIPANTS

- Return airfare (Economy class) from their place of stay to India. All travel arrangements will be made and paid for by Mahavir Vision Inc USA.
- Stipend of US\$ 1000 for full time teaching faculty in a recognized university or College.
- First and second cash prizes of US\$300 and US\$200 respectively to the first and second best two project papers submitted by participants (as a part to complete the program).

PAYMENTS BY MAHAVIR VISION USA FOR ISSJS2013.6W PARTICIPANTS

- All stipend and award payments shall be made by crossed check and sent to the participants address on successful completion of the program of studies by them. The successful completion by a scholar will be judged by his / her attendance record and quality of research paper submitted by him / her at the end of the program. Decisions of the director ISSJS India shall be final and binding in each case.
- No cash payment of any kind shall be made by ISJS in India to any scholar/student.