

Schedule for Jodo Shinshu Correspondence Course

Fall Enrollment Group

1st year		Aug.	Aug.16-31 Orientation
	General Buddhism	Sept.	• The Life of Sakyamuni Buddha
		Oct.	• The Abiding Three Treasures
		Nov.	• Life and Times of Siddhartha Gautama, Founder of Buddhism
			• The Teaching of the Buddha: Two Streams of Tradition
			• Chinese Buddhist Tradition: Harmony with Reality
		Dec.	• Korean Buddhism: The Way of Synthesis
			• The Flowering of Buddhism in Japan
			• Vajrayana: Esoteric Buddhism of Tibet
	Jan.	• Buddhism Flows from East to West	
		Feb.	Break
	Jodo Shinshu I	March	• Shinran Shōnin and Jōdo Shinshū (1)
			• Shinran Shōnin and Jōdo Shinshū (2)
		April	• The Evolution of the Hongwanji
			• On the Nature of the “Human Being”
		May	• Amida Buddha
			• On the Primal Vow of the Other Power
		June	• “Namu-Amida-Butsu”
			• On Entrustment
July	• Life of Nembutsu Followers		
	• The Path to Birth in the Pure Land		
	Aug.	August Workshop (optional)	
2nd year	Jodo Shinshu II	Sept.	• Master Shinran’s Encounter with the Primal Vow
			• Teaching of the Three Pure Land Sutras (1)
		Oct.	• Teaching of the Three Pure Land Sutras (2)
			• The Teaching of the Bodhisattva Nāgārjuna
		Nov.	• The Teaching of the Bodhisattva Vasubandhu
			• The Teaching of the Master T’an-Luan
		Dec.	• The Teaching of Meditation Master Tao-Ch’o
			• The Teaching of the Master Shan-Tao
	Jan.	• The Teaching of the Master Genshin	
		• The Teaching of the Master Hōnen	
		Feb.	Break
	History of Jodo Shinshu	March	• Brief Review of Shinran Shonin's Life
			• The Establishment of the Otani Mausoleum
		April	• Kakunyo’s Administration of the Hongwanji
			• Rennyō and the Development of the Hongwanji
		May	• Birth of the Higashi Honganji
			• Hongwanji in the Edo Era
		June	• Hongwanji in the Modern Era
	• History of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii		
July	• History of Buddhist Churches of America		
		• History of Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada	