

Multidisciplinary Workshop at the University of Hawaii

Prospects for Overcoming Sectarian Boundaries in Japanese Buddhism: Possible Contributions of Buddhist Scholarship

Organized by the Japanese research team working on the theme “International research on Japanese Buddhism as seen from the perspective of multiple academic fields (多分野複合の視角から見た日本仏教の国際的研究)” (JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (A)).

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Location: Seminar room of the Department of Religion, Sakamaki A302, University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu.

Most presentations will be made in Japanese, while some discussions will also be conducted in English.

Schedule

9:30 Coffee

10:00 Opening addresses by Ōkubo Ryōshun 大久保良峻 and Michel Mohr

10:10–11:00 Michel Mohr, "Is There a Cure for Sectarianism? Prospects for moving beyond the realm of mere ‘dialogue’" (宗派主義より脱出できるのか？単なる「対話」を超える領域に前進する可能性について)"

11:00–11:50 Matthew McMullen, "Current Issues in North American Studies of Japanese Esoteric Buddhism with an Emphasis on Maṇḍala and Doctrine" (アメリカにおける日本密教の研究の現状と問題点—曼荼羅と教理を中心に—)

11:50–13:30 Lunch Break

13:30–14:20 Uejima Susumu 上島亨, "Changes Within Shingon Esoteric Buddhism in Medieval Japan: With a particular emphasis on the influence exerted by exoteric Buddhism" (日本中世における真言密教の変遷—顕教の影響を中心に—)

14:20–15:10 Minowa Kenryō 蓑輪顕量, "A Relativization of the Teachings: How to Overcome Sectarianism by Focusing on Practice and Its Purpose" (教えの相対化—目的と実践から宗派を超克する—)

15:10–15:40 Coffee

15:40–16:30 Paul Groner, "What Sectarianism Hides from Sectarian History: Precepts in Japanese Tendai and Risshū" (宗派意識は宗派史に何を隠しているか？—天台と律宗の場合—)

16:30–17:00 Discussion.

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