Curriculum Vitae

1. Name: Ven. Dhammapala

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2. Academic Qualifications:

2.1. Doctor of Philosophy

The University of Hong Kong

Dissertation: The Sarvastivada Doctrine of the Path of Spiritual Progress: A Study based primarily on the Abhidharma-Mahāvibhāṣā-śāstra, the Abhidharmakośa-bhāṣya and their Chinese and Sanskrit Commentaries (2010)

2.2. Master of Philosophy

The Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka.

Dissertation: A Critical Study of the Doctrine of Anuśaya in Vasubandhu's Abhidharmakośa-bhāsya and Samghabhadra's Nyāyānusāra (2003)

2.3. Master of Arts

The Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. (2000)

2.4. Bachelor of Arts

University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. (1998)

3. Fields of Specialty

- 1. Sarvāstivāda Abhidharma
- 2. History of Buddhism in India
- 3. Development of Buddhist Thoughts in India
- 4. Theravāda Abhidhamma
- 5. Classical Sanskrit and Pāli

4. Publications

4.1. Editorial Work:

Spiritual Director, Buddhistdoor website [http://www.buddhistdoor.com] (2006 - 2013)

4.2. Academic Articles:

- 1. "A Study of the Sarvāstivāda Doctrine of the Three Types of Direct-Comprehension of Four Truths (abhisamaya)", published in *The International Journal of the Humanities*, Vol. 5, Issue 12, 2008, pp. 127-138
- 2. "The Laukika-agra-dharma: Significance and Key Attributes", published in *World Buddhist Forum*, 2009, pp. 235-275
 - Journal URL: http://wenku.baidu.com/view/97cc14c608a1284ac8504318.html
- 3. "The Sarvāstivāda Soteriology and the Mārga Schema" published in *Buddhism & Australia, International Conference on Buddhism*, 2013.
 - URL:http://buddhismandaustralia.com/index.php/en/articles/articles-2013/177-the-sarvstiv da-soteriology-and-the-mrga-schema-by-liew-jew-chong-venerable-dhammapla.html

5. Conferences Presentation

- 1. Read a paper entitled "A Study of the Gradual and the Abrupt Direct-comprehension (abhisamaya) of the Four Truths", at the *Second International Conference of Sri Lanka Association for Buddhist Studies Sri Lanka*, organized by the Sri Lanka Association for Buddhist Studies, Sri Lanka, on 17 Nov 2006 19 Nov 2006
- 2. Read a paper entitled "Three Types of Abhisamaya" at the *Fifth International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities*, American University Paris, Paris, France, on 17-20 July, 2007
- 3. Read a paper entitled "What is the Role of the Buddhist Sangha in the 21st Century? Preservation of the Ideals and Promotion of Buddhist Teachings?" at the *International Sangha Conference*, Patna, India, on 5-7 January 2013.
- 4. Read a paper entitled "Our collective heritage: Stewardship & revival relics, sites & Pilgrimage" at the International Buddhist Confederation, Delhi, on 9-12 September 2013.

6. Teaching Experience

- 1. Assistant Professor, Centre of Buddhist Studies, The University of Hong Kong (2011 2013)
- 2. Visiting Lecturer at 台灣佛教力行學院、佛教解脫道研修所(2013 present)

7. Honours and Awards

- 1. Glorious Sun Group Postgraduate Scholarship in Buddhist Studies (2005-2008)
- 2. Sangha Studies Abroad Fund, Yayasan Belia Buddhist Malaysia (1996-2001)

8. Membership in Professional Organizations

- 1. International Association of Buddhist Studies, 2011-present
- 2. Member, Sri Lanka Association for Buddhist Studies, Sri Lanka, 2006-present
- 3. The Buddhist Scholars Information Network (H-Buddhism), 2006-present

9. Community Services

- 1. Director of the Hong Kong Society of Dharma Supporters, Hong Kong (2011 present)
- 2. Abbot and Director of the Centre of Mindfulness Limited, Hong Kong (2011 present)
- 3. Director of the Bhavana Meditation Centre Limited, Hong Kong (2011 present)
- 4. Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong University Centre of Buddhist studies Alumni Association, Hong Kong (2012 - 2013)
- 5. Spiritual Teacher, Tung Lin Kok Yuen Wang Fat Ching She, Hong Kong (2008 2013)
- 6. Deputy Secretary General of International Buddhist Confederation, India (2013 present)
- 7. Acariya, Annual Novitiate Programme held in Mahindarama Buddhist Temple, Penang (2000 present)