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## Prospectus (2014 – 2015)

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### M.A. Program in Samskritam

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## Message from the Chairman of Samskrita Bharati

Dear Samskritam Student,

Welcome to Samskrita Bharati's Master's program in Samskritam, run in partnership with Karnataka State Open University. We are very happy to be able to take Samskritam learning to the next level right here in the United States of America.

Karnataka State Open University has been rapidly growing as a university to be reckoned with in the area of continuing education. They are doing great service by taking education to the masses, and to remote places. This partnership enables the further spread of that service by offering higher education in Samskritam to many who may otherwise have believed such ambitions as left behind in India.

As each of you pursue your professional, social and economic ambitions, Samskrita Bharati is here to offer the connection to tradition and culture in the form of Samskritam education. While Samskrita Bharati has long been providing learning opportunities in Samskritam for adults, youth and children, this is the next step in continuing formal education in Samskritam.

In today's fast paced life, juggling career, family and personal interests, we are happy to note that pursuing higher education in Samskritam is a reality. With our current focus on youth education, this program offers future possibilities – both for pursuing education, and making a career in Samskritam.

It is my immense pleasure to assure that you have taken the right step in furthering your Samskrita education. I wish you the best.

*Prasad Kaipa*

Dr. Prasad Kaipa  
Chairman, Samskrita Bharati, USA



## Message from the Honorable Vice Chancellor Prof. M.G. Krishnan, KSOU

Dear Fellow Learner,

I welcome you to the family of Learners in Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) which was established in the year 1996 for the promotion of Education among all sections of society. Without the constraints of space and time, Karnataka State Open University has established its quality and has reached the remote parts of Karnataka and beyond. As inscribed in its motto “Higher Education to Everyone, Everywhere”, the University has set itself an objective to reach the doorsteps of aspiring learners in every nook and corner of not only the State, but throughout the country and abroad. The programs that are innovative and relevant to society are offered with moderate cost and modern facilities.



We have established 10 Regional Centers, 110 UG Study Centers, 10 B Ed Study Centers, Special B ED Study Centers, 08 M Ed Study Centers, and 403 Partners Institution Study Centers. You can get information and admission in all Regional Centers as well as in our main campus at Mysore. Contact Programs are conducted regularly with the involvement of experienced staff and expertise in the concerned fields is tapped for the benefit of the learners, periodically. We are proud to announce that last year the enrolment was over 1, 00,000.

We are proud to include Samskrita Bharati, USA as our partner institute in the USA for the Masters program in Sanskrit. Samskrita Bharati has a legacy of steady growth in the USA, reaching more students every day. The correspondence program offers an excellent step up for those aspiring to do further studies.

I extend you a hearty welcome to join the KSOU family and wish you all the success in your learning endeavors.

With best wishes for your career

Yours sincerely,  
(Prof. M.G. Krishnan)  
Vice Chancellor

## Organizational Structure of Samskrita Bharati

### Board of Directors

Dr. Prasad Kaipa, Campbell, CA

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Dr. Govinda Yelagalawadi, National Coordinator, San Jose, CA

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### Contact Information for queries related to MA (Sanskrit) Program in the US

#### Main contact information –

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## MA Program in Samskritam - Calendar of Events\*

(Applicable for students who enter the program during the Academic Year 2014-2015)

Particulars	(Year I) Previous	(Year II) Final
Academic Year	2014-2015	2015-2016
Sale of Prospectus from	August 1, 2014	Not applicable
Registration Open for Admission	August 15, 2014	August 15, 2015
Early Registration Closing	October 15, 2014	October 15, 2015
Late Registration Closing	October 31, 2014	October 31, 2015
Receipt of Study Material	Within four weeks after admission	Within four weeks after admission
Beginning of tele-classes	January 15, 2015	January 15, 2016
Submission of Internal Assessment	March 20, 2015	March 20, 2016
Registration for Examination	Feb 15 to Mar 15, 2015	Feb 15 to Mar 15, 2016
Exams	June 11 to 15, 2015	June 9 to 13, 2016
Results	August 2015	August 2016

\* The dates are subject to change and depend on approval from KSOU.

Note:

1. Group study program will be organized using audio material of classes taught by experts.
2. Correspondences will be done using an email group (Google group).
3. It is the student's responsibility to monitor the emails and follow up on actions required.
4. Payments should be made online using the links offered, and in a timely manner.

Candidates are expected to maintain a record of the documents submitted

## ABOUT

**Sanskrita Bharati** is a registered voluntary non-profit organization (Federal EID 77-0545072) dedicated to bringing Sanskritam back to daily life. By organizing classes, camps and other activities, Sanskrita Bharati is creating Sanskritam-speaking communities across the country.

Sanskrita Bharati started as an experiment in 1981 in Bangalore, India, to bring Sanskritam back into daily life. It has now gathered the momentum of a revolution. Through its natural and effective *listen-speak-read-write* technique, millions of people around the globe are now able to converse fluently in simple Sanskritam! Speak Sanskritam camps and classes are attracting people from all walks of life.

Sanskrita Bharati organizes several courses, study groups and summer camps in various centers across the US. Following are some of its major activities.

**Sanskritam for Adults** - Sanskrita Bharati conducts ten day, week-long, and weekend courses and study groups at various levels, beginner to advanced, in various cities across the US.

**Sanskritam for Children** - Weekly classes during school year and day camps during summer. Friendly and effective technique for teaching Sanskritam for young children ages 6-13.

**Sanskritam For Youth** - Sanskrita Bharati offers a 3-year distance learning program called Sanskrit As Foreign Language (SAFL) for youth entering 8<sup>th</sup> or higher grade. SAFL program can also be taken as part of an Independent Study program.

**Distance Learning Program** - Sanskrita Bharati offers a four part distance learning program that has been recognized to fulfill prerequisite for admission to Masters in Sanskritam offered by some universities in India, including KSOU.

## Sanskrita Bharati USA – Study Center – Website

The website is a comprehensive one-stop resource center.

The screenshot displays the website's interface for the Masters in Samskritam program. The header features the organization's name in Hindi and English, along with a navigation menu with options like HOME, LEARN, STUDY, FIND, PARTICIPATE, CONTRIBUTE, and ABOUT. A search bar is also present. The main content area is titled 'Masters in Samskritam' and includes a list of tags, a description of the two-year program, and details about the medium of instruction and the program's chairman. A sidebar on the left provides a table of contents for the program's resources.

www.sanskritabharatiusa.org/index.php/study/masters-in-samskritam.html

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### Masters in Samskritam

Tags: [ma-samskritam](#) [distance-learning](#)

This Masters program is a two year program offered by the School of Humanities, Department of Studies and Research in Sanskrit, Karnataka State Open University, Mysore, India. This may be completed over the course of four years.

The medium of instruction is English. There are five papers per year, in all 10 papers.

Dr. N. Radhakrishna Bhat is its Chairman.

#### Dates and Fees

Academic year – 2012 to 2013

#### Assignments

Submission – March 15th (To be sent to San Jose Address to be mailed by March 15th to) KSOU MA, US Center, Sanskrita Bharati, 4204 Latimer Avenue, San Jose, CA - 95130)

Examinations Registration for June 2013 Exams in the US – Registration Closed

June 20th to June 24th (Pittsburgh is the center)

www.sanskritabharatiusa.org/index.php/study/masters-in-samskritam.html



## Program Offered – Masters in Samskritam

### Admission Requirements

- Candidates who have passed three years B.A. / B.Sc. / B. A. (Performing Arts) Degree Examination of any recognized University offering Sanskrit as a Major / Optional subject at the Degree level OR an examination of any university considered equivalent thereto.
- Candidates who have passed the three years B.A. / B.Sc. / B.Com, offering Sanskrit as a second language or Minor subject at the Degree Level, provided they have obtained not less than 50% of the maximum marks in Sanskrit.
- Graduates of any university who have passed at least the Sahitya Examination conducted by Board of Sanskrit Education, Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore, or, any other examination considered equivalent thereto such as 'Kovida' of Samskrita Bharati, New Delhi.
- Graduates of any recognized University, who have passed the Post-Pre-University Diploma Examination in Sanskrit conducted by any university.
- Candidates who have passed Vidwat Madhyama Examination conducted by the Board of Sanskrit Education, Karnataka Government or Karnataka Sanskrit University, Bangalore.
- Graduates of any university recognized as equivalent thereto who have passed the Kannada Pandit examination conducted by the Government of Karnataka.

### Duration of the program

The minimum duration of the M.A. (Sanskrit) Program is two years, and the maximum duration is four years from the year of admission to the program. Candidates who do not complete the program within four years may be permitted to complete their examinations after taking permission from KSOU.

### Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction for the material provided by the university is in English. The medium of instruction for the oral classes conducted by Samskrita Bharati in the US will be in Samskritam.

### Credit System

Each credit is of thirty hours of study comprising of all learning activities. Thus a seven credit course involves 210 hours of study. Completion of this post graduate program requires successfully clearing 70 credits. Under open distance system, a paper is called a '**Course**', and a course is called a '**Program**'. There are five **Courses** for the first year and five for the second year for the **Post Graduate Program**.

### Fee Structure (other fees not listed below will be as prescribed by KSOU)

Admission fees for the first year	\$400 (share of KSOU - \$100)
Admission fees for the second year	\$200 (share of KSOU - \$50)
Study material fees	\$40 (share of KSOU – Rs 1750)
Shipping charges for sending study material	\$60 (shipping from India and within the US will be done by Samskrita Bharati)
Examination Fees	\$50 (share of KSOU – Rs 1500)

## Course Details (MA Program in Samskritam)

Course Code and Titles (Course Code in Parenthesis)

### Year I (Previous)

(Each course carries 7 credits. Each requires 210 hours of study) - 35 Credits

1. **Course I - (MSN11)**  
Classical Sanskrit Literature – Poetry, Prose (Texts), and Translation
2. **Course II - (MSN12)**  
Classical Sanskrit Literature – Drama and History of Classical Sanskrit Literature
3. **Course III - (MSN13)**  
Tarka (Text) and Vyakarana (Text)
4. **Course IV - (MSN14)**  
Bharatiya Tattvashastra (Text)
5. **Course V - (MSN15)**  
Alankara I (Text)

### Year II (Final)

(Each course carries 7 credits. Each requires 210 hours of study) - 35 Credits

6. **Course VI - (MSN21)**  
Vedic Hymns, Upanishad, Gita (Texts) and History of Vedic Literature
7. **Course VII - (MSN22)**  
Arthashastra, Smriti, Epic (Texts) and Essay
8. **Course VIII - (MSN23)**  
Vyakarana (Texts) and Linguistics
9. **Course IX - (MSN24)**  
Special Alankara II - Text Poetics - General
10. **Course X - (MSN25)**  
Alankara III – Text and Poetics – General and Comparative Studies

### Instructional System

The Instructional Methodology used is more learner oriented (than conventional Universities) and caters to the needs of motivated students. The assumption is that the students are actively engaged in the teaching-learning process. Instruction is imparted in different forms, ranging from person-to-person, audio resources, networking, and self-study.

### Self-Learning Study Material

The main course content is made available as a set of printed books. These come in several blocks (each block is a booklet). Each block consists of several units. Each unit requires between 5 and 10 hours of study. Additional reading is suggested at the end of each unit / block.

### Additional Resources

A nation-wide (USA) study group will be set up for each year. The participants will be encouraged to follow a study plan set up for mutual convenience. Guidance and additional resources (in the form of handouts, audio files) will be made available to help with the preparation. Periodically, live lectures will be conducted.

### Internal Assessment (Updated starting academic year 2013-14)

This is an integral part of the Open distance Learning System. The main purpose of the assignment is to assess the ability of a student in understanding the material. Each course requires the submission of one assignment (two questions out of three have to be answered, prescribed for that year).

This is expected to be in handwritten format. It should include the Name, Roll Number, Course, Subject, and Phone Number of the student at the time of submission. Student is expected to retain a copy of the assignment submitted.

Each assignment carries 20 marks. Failure to submit the (Previous / Final) assignment by March 31<sup>st</sup>, in the year of admission to that level, will cause the student to forfeit 20 marks. The written exam is only for 80 marks. All assignments must be submitted together in one envelope, and addressed to:

Chairperson, Department of Sanskrit, Karnataka State Open University, Manasagangotri, Mysore – 570 006. This should be mailed through Registered Post only.

Assignments are only questions prescribed for that year for that course. Assignments cannot be submitted for improvement.

### Scheme of Examination

There will be one set of exams conducted in June for Previous (first) and Final (second) year. Students can seek admission to second year without having appeared for the first.

## Distribution of Credits and Marks

### Previous

Courses	# - Credits	Maximum Marks			Minima for Pass (35%)	Course Exemption
		Internal Assessment	Annual Examination	Total		
Course I	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course II	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course III	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course IV	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course V	07	20	80	100	35	40
Total (Previous)	35	100	400	500	Total for Pass – 200 (40%)	

### Final

Courses	# - Credits	Maximum Marks			Minima for Pass (35%)	Course Exemption
		Internal Assessment	Annual Examination	Total		
Course VI	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course VII	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course VIII	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course IX	07	20	80	100	35	40
Course X	07	20	80	100	35	40
Total (Final)	35	100	400	500	Total for Pass – 200 (40%)	
Total (Course)	70	200	800	1000	Total for Pass – 400 (40%)	

Note: Course Exemption – 40% in any course including the Marks of Internal Assessment

### Declaration of Results

Student should score an aggregate of 40% in all the courses and the Term-end examination. Those who score less than 40% will be considered as having failed the examination, and as such, they have to reappear for the courses in the examination.

### Classification of Results

Grade and Class shall be declared at the end of the Final Year.

Letter Grade	Qualitative Level Grade	Point	Percent
A	Excellent	5	80% and above
B	Very Good	4	60% to 79.9%
C	Good	3	50% to 59.9%
D	Satisfactory	2	35% to 49.9%
E	Not Satisfactory	1	Below 35%
First Class	60% and above		
Second Class	50% and above, below 60%		
Third Class	40% and above, below 50%		

### Re-totaling, Re-valuation and Photocopy of Answer Scripts

The University will send the mark sheet to candidates soon after the results are announced online. The candidate has 30 days by which to apply for re-totaling, or re-valuation, or, a photocopy of the answer scripts. Applications are to be submitted to the Registrar (Evaluation), Karnataka State Open University, Manasagangothri, Mysore – 6, through registered post within 30 days from the date of announcement of the result in the University Website.

### Re-appearance

A candidate declared failed is permitted to re-appear for the exam provided:

- Number of appearances restricted to a maximum of 4
- Those needing to appear after the stipulated 4 years have to acquire special permission before applying.

### Improvement

A candidate who is declared to have passed, and wanting to re-appear for a paper, has the ability to re-appear for all the papers, while retaining the original marks issued. Once the repeat results are announced, the student can choose the mark that is most advantageous. Conditions that apply are:

- Three chances within the four year period
- Application to be sent to the Registrar at least 60 days prior to the commencement of the exam.
- The degree certificate has not yet been obtained.

### Examination Centers

The examination center in the US will be announced by end of February to facilitate air ticket reservations, obtain leave of absence at work, and other related logistics.

### Contact Information for queries related to MA (Sanskrit) Program in the US

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