TITLE: SAMS103: Experience Samskritam II

PLACEMENT: Summer after SAMS102

PRE-REQUISITES: SAMS102

COURSE OVERVIEW:

SAMS103 is a six-day residential Samskritam course designed to provide students an opportunity to develop their conversation skills in a primarily Samskritam speaking environment. Students will also gain an appreciation of Indian culture and the different applications of Samskritam by living in an immersive Samskritam environment that will help widen their knowledge.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Review and reinforcement of concepts covered by first year courses - SAMS101 and SAMS102.
2. Learn and reinforce basic conversation and grammar.
3. Constructing grammatically correct sentences with usages taught in the first year.
4. Improving reading and comprehension skills.
5. Practice conversation using simple Samskritam.
6. Write and enact simple skits in Samskritam.
7. Gain exposure by indirect immersive language techniques through participation in various camp activities other than classes such as
   ● Yoga
   ● Language games
   ● Outdoor games
   ● Lectures on topics related to language and culture
   ● Entertainment programs like skits and songs
8. Gain a basic understanding of the different applications of Samskritam.

GRADING PLAN:

SAMS103 is a pass/fail course. Students will receive credit for the course once they successfully complete the entire six-day residential camp. **Students must pass SAMS103 before taking SAMS201.**

PLACEMENT:

SAMS099 is offered in two places during the summer each year - (1) Northeast and (2) Bay Area, CA. Please see the SAFL course calendar for exact location, dates and other camp related information.
CORE CONTENT – TOPICAL OUTLINE:

Listening & Conversation
● Practice active listening skills through stories, skits and language games
● Usage of vocabulary for real world communication - at home, in class and other situations.
● Practice and improve conversational skills.

Grammar
● Introduction to simple grammatical structures based on concepts already learned.
● Declensions of selected vowel ending masculine, feminine, and neuter gender nouns and pronouns.
● Usage of indeclinable words and kinship nouns.
● Conjugation of verbs in the present, past and future tenses in singular, dual and plural.
● Imperative verb forms

Reading & Writing
● Correct pronunciation of letters and words.
● Reading of short stories/passages.
● Writing sentences and short passages in Devanāgarī.
● Reading and comprehending simple prose and poetry in the form of proverbs and sayings.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS:

Students are required to attend all class sessions during the camp schedule. They are also expected to actively participate in other camp activities, complete all homework assigned to them by the teachers during the study hall, and adhere to all camp policies.

TEXTS AND MATERIALS:

The following texts and materials will be used for this course:
● First and second year SAFL Textbooks
● Handouts and worksheets for writing practice
● Worksheets and reference material for vocabulary, grammar and conversation practice