

Programme for 2026 Nepal Sanskrit Summer School

Dates: 14–26 September 2026

Arrival: 13 September | **Departure:** 26 September

Venue: Chhahari Retreat, Budhanilakantha

Sunday 13 September

Arrival of participants

Monday 14 September

09:00–09:30 Welcome and Orientation

09:30–11:00 Methodology and Introductory Lectures

11:15–12:45 M3: Epigraphy

12:45–13:45 Lunch

13:45–15:15 M2: Vaiṣṇavism

15:15 onwards Leisurely Hike and Visit to Budhanilakantha

Tuesday 15 September

09:00–10:30 M1: Buddhism

10:45–12:15 M4: Courtly Literature

12:15–13:15 Lunch

13:15–14:45 M3: Epigraphy

15:00–16:15 M2: Vaiṣṇavism

18:00–19:00 Special Lecture 1

Wednesday 16 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga

09:00–10:30 M1: Buddhism

10:45–12:15 M4: Courtly Literature

12:15–13:15 Lunch

13:15 onwards Field Visit: Hadigaon and Paśupatināth

Thursday 17 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga

09:00–10:30 M2: Vaiṣṇavism

10:45–12:15 M1: Buddhism

12:15–13:15 Lunch

13:15–14:45 M4: Courtly Literature

15:00–16:15 M3: Epigraphy

Friday 18 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga
09:00–10:30 M3: Epigraphy
10:45–12:15 M4: Courtly Literature
12:15–13:15 Lunch
13:15 onwards Field Visit: National Archives

Saturday 19 September

All-day Field Visit (8:30 onwards): Sankhu and Bhaktapur

Sunday 20 September

Morning and Afternoon Free
18:00–19:00 Special Lecture 2

Monday 21 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga
09:00–10:30 M4: Courtly Literature
10:45–12:15 M2: Vaiṣṇavism
12:15–13:15 Lunch
13:15–14:45 M1: Buddhism
15:00–16:15 M3: Epigraphy

Tuesday 22 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga
All-day Field Visit: Kathmandu Durbar Square and Buddhist Sites of Kathmandu
Evening: Free

Wednesday 23 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga
09:00–10:30 M2: Vaiṣṇavism
10:45–12:15 M1: Buddhism (wrap-up)
12:15–13:15 Lunch
13:15–14:45 M4: Courtly Literature (wrap-up)
15:00–16:00 Session for Discussion and Exchange
18:00–19:00 Special Lecture 3

Thursday 24 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga
09:00–10:30 M3: Epigraphy (wrap-up)
Field Visit: Patan Durbar Square
18:00–19:00: Special Lecture 4

Friday 25 September

07:30–08:15 Optional Yoga

All-day Field Visit: Nala Lokeśvara, Panauti and Namo Buddha

19:00 onwards Leaving Dinner

Saturday 26 September

09:00–10:30 M1: Buddhism (wrap-up)

10:45–12:15 M2: Vaiṣṇavism (wrap-up)

12:15–13:15 Lunch

Departure