# Tibetan Alphabet and Reading Pre-Course

## Overview

The Tibetan Alphabet and Reading Pre-Course is designed to help you learn to read and pronounce Tibetan script fluently, following the Central Tibetan dialect.  
  
This course is a prerequisite for students who want to join Beginner 101 – Live Course in March 2025. If you already know how to read Tibetan (for example, through Classical Tibetan studies), you don’t need to take this pre-course. But if you cannot yet read, this step is essential before starting the main program.  
  
Students who simply want to learn to read Tibetan script, without continuing into Beginner 101, are also warmly welcome!

## Course structure

• Duration: 6 weeks  
• Format:  
 – 2 live classes per week (Wednesdays & Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. CET)  
 – 1 one-on-one tutor session per week with a native Tibetan-speaking tutor  
• Small learning groups for daily/bi-daily reading tasks with a buddy  
• Curriculum developed by རྒན་ Anastasia Stoliarova ལགས། (different methodology from the main courses)

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the course, you will:  
• Read the Tibetan alphabet confidently  
• Pronounce Tibetan script accurately in the Central dialect  
• Work collaboratively with peers in small groups to reinforce skills  
• Be able to read a wide range of Tibetan texts, including Sanskrit mantras written in Tibetan script

## Who can join?

• Students planning to continue into Beginner 101 in March 2025  
• Students only interested in learning how to read Tibetan  
• Learners who are open, curious, and flexible about online learning, and ready to collaborate with peers

## Tuition policy

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