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ABOUT RYI:

Rangjung Yeshe Institute provides a rare opportunity for students to study under learned monk-professors who preserve a centuries-old tradition of monastic teaching, and also take courses in modern, critical Buddhist Studies from Western instructors with superlative training.

RYI is renowned for the quality of its language courses, with students making exceptionally rapid progress.

The RYI campus is on the grounds of Ka-Nying Shedrub Ling Monastery, a famous Buddhist monastic university close to the Boudhanath Stupa, one of South Asia's most sacred Buddhist pilgrimage sites. Over the past few decades, this centre, founded by some of the twentieth century's most famous Tibetan masters and scholars of Buddhism, has emerged as one of the leading institutions for the study of Buddhism and Himalayan languages in South Asia.

LOCATION:

RYI is located in the neighborhood surrounding the Boudhanath Stupa, a colorful and culturally diverse place. It is home to Tibetan refugees, high-caste Hindus, Kathmandu's indigenous Newar people, and recent settlers from many Himalayan ethnic communities, including Sherpa, Tamang, and the people of Mustang and Dolpo.

HOUSING:

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"My undergraduate semester at Rangjung Yeshe Institute -- the classes I took, the people I met, and immersion in Tibetan and Nepali culture -- has been the single most formative experience of my life thus far. I returned to Nepal as a Fulbright scholar as a result. RYI shaped my decision to pursue a dual degree MD - PhD in Psychiatry and Buddhist Studies. I am immensely grateful for the lasting friendships and mentor relationships that RYI made possible."

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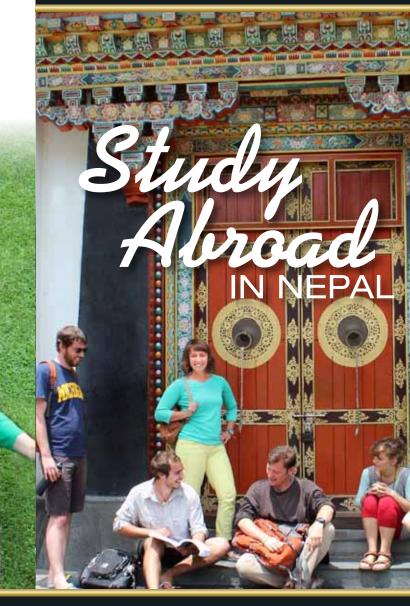
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