## Addendum to the 2015-2016 IBS Catalog

March 1, 2016

The Institute of Buddhist Studies is licensed to operate in the State of California by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education and is required to inform its students of the following:

- 1. Regarding CCR§71810(b)(7), Institute of Buddhist Studies does not award credit for prior experiential learning.
- Regarding CCR§71810(b)(9), courses at IBS are seminar-based; students should expect to spend class time in a classroom critically analyzing texts (e.g., academic books and journal articles, primary religious texts) and engaging in collegial conversation and debate. Instructors may use white boards, paper, and AV materials (e.g., slides, PowerPoint, films).
- 3. Whereas IBS is currently pursuing accreditation with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), and whereas WSCUC has reviewed the Application for Eligibility and has determined that the Institute is eligible to proceed with an an application for Candidacy and Initial Accreditation, at present, IBS programs are not accredited with any agency recognized by the United States Department of Education. Degrees from an unaccredited institution are not recognized by some employment positions with the State of California, and students enrolled in unaccredited programs are not eligible for federal financial aid programs.

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