

**STUDYING THE WORDS OF THE BUDDHA:
Explorations of the Middle Length Discourse**

2008-2009 Syllabus

- September 12 - Why and how to study the Middle Length Discourses.
Introduction to the history of the text.
- October 3 - The Buddha in the Middle Length Discourses:
autobiography, biography and hagiography
- October 31 - Faith and the Path
- November 21 - Karma: Teachings on action and its consequences.
- January 9 - Right Effort
- February 6 - Happiness, Sensuality, and Renunciation
- February 28 - Meditation: Mindfulness
- April 24 - Meditation: Concentration and Insight
- May 29 - Wisdom and the Four Noble Truths
- June 12 - Non-Clinging, Nibbana, and the Deathless