

Resident Teacher Needed at Tushita Meditation Centre in Dharamsala, India

We are seeking a Resident Teacher who will mainly teach courses and lead retreats at Tushita for ten months per year (February-November), for ideally 2 years.

This is a great opportunity to live and work in a very blessed environment while benefiting many sentient beings! And of course a special perk are His Holiness the Dalai Lama's public teachings in McLeod Ganj, which are usually 6 times per year!!

Tushita is a thriving Dharma center beautifully located in the forested hills above McLeod Ganj, India - the seat in exile of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and many accomplished practitioners. Tushita has a very unique spiritual heritage, with Ling Rinpoche, Trijang Rinpoche, Lama Yeshe, Lama Zopa Rinpoche and many other great lamas having lived and taught and teaching here. The present Ling Rinpoche said that Tushita is very precious: "It has become like a pilgrimage place with all the gurus and great lamas. When you go there, there's a special feeling, in Lama's room and in the whole area. So it should be preserved."

The resident teacher will teach the very popular **10-day Introduction to Buddhism courses** (similar to the Discovering Buddhism "Presenting the Path" module) to enthusiastic tourists who have little or no previous experience with Buddhism.

Depending on experience and interest, the resident teacher will also teach some **intermediate-level courses** (similar to the other Discovering Buddhism or Basic Program modules) for tourists who wish to continue their studies beyond an introductory course and the growing ex-pat Dharma community.

The resident teacher will ideally also lead a couple of the **four to six tantric group retreats** offered every year.

Tushita Meditation Centre provides a great service to FPMT centers around the world, as many of the students who attend Tushita's courses go on to study and offer service at their local FPMT center after they leave India.

The ideal candidate will:

- be a student of Lama Zopa Rinpoche
- be an FPMT Foundational or In-Depth Buddhism registered teacher OR:
- have completed Discovering Buddhism or a higher FPMT program and be ready to apply to become an FPMT registered teacher
- have broad experience leading meditations, teaching courses and some retreat experience
- have great enthusiasm introducing the Dharma to new students and supporting experienced students in deepening their knowledge and understanding
- have excellent communication skills
- work closely together with a co-teacher and/or co-meditation leader and the SPC
- enjoy living in a Dharma community
- have lived or travelled in India
- be confident teaching and conversing in English

Lama Zopa Rinpoche advises on resident teacher appointments.

Find out what [Western teachers have to say about their teaching experience](#) at Tushita!

For **more detailed information about the resident teacher position** at Tushita please contact Tenzin Kunphen (SPC) at spc@tushita.info

To Apply: Please write with a brief list of your study and retreat experience to: Claire Isitt, Center Services Director, FPMT International Office – centerservices@fpmt.org.