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Buddhism

With Professor Malcolm David Eckel

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- **The Schools of Tibetan Buddhism**
- **The Dalai Lama**
- **The Origins of Chinese Buddhism**
- **The Classical Period of Chinese Buddhism**

The Schools of Tibetan Buddhism discusses the Nyingma school and the saint Jigme Lingpa, the Kagyu school and its principal teachers Marpa and Milarpa, the Sakya school and its founders Drogmi and Kongchog, and the Gelugpa school of Tsongkhapa. *The Dalai Lama* focuses principally on the fourteenth Dalai Lama, his leadership of the Tibetan people while in exile, his Nobel Peace Prize, his discovery via the Tulku system, and the history of his formal position and the men who have occupied it since the fourteenth century. *The Origins of Chinese Buddhism* traces the history of Buddhism from the second century of the common era, when Buddhist monks first appeared in the capital of Han China. The Taoist tradition is discussed in detail, along with its principal text, the Tao Te Ching, and similarities between the Taoist and Buddhist traditions. *The Classical Period of Chinese Buddhism* presents Buddhism under the T'ang dynasty; the Hua-Yen ("Flower Garland") school, the T'ien-T'ai ("Heavenly Terrace") school, and the Ch'an ("Meditation") school.

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Stone rubbing of the Buddha's footprint, taken at Bodh-Gaya.