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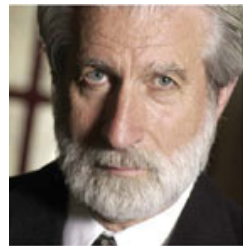
**Venerable Dr. Jue Ji**,



an open-minded and inspiring Buddhist nun specialized in the study of Humanistic Buddhism, obtained her PhD degree at the Center of Buddhist Studies, Hong Kong University. She was the director of Fo Guang Shan English Buddhist College, for Buddhist monastic education; the director of Hong Kong Buddhist College, for Buddhist lay education; and the associate director of the Centre for the Study of Humanistic Buddhism at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, for research projects on Humanistic Buddhism and the development of Buddhist extended study education program. Currently, she is the director of the Institute of Chinese Buddhist Studies at the University of the West. Now her effort is mainly dedicated to the cultivation of leadership by applying Buddhist wisdom and values in the 21<sup>st</sup> century contemporary world, both in the East and in the West. Her vision to outreach the general

public with Buddhist education is to facilitate Buddhist academia resources in collaboration with hi-tech online programs. The Venerable Dr. Jue Ji's academic interest includes the history of Modern Chinese Buddhism, Contemporary Social Issues and Buddhism, the movement of Humanistic Buddhism in Contemporary China, and many other interests relating to Buddhism. One of the major goals of the Venerable is to develop an online community by presenting lectures by well-known Buddhist scholars. The online Certificate in Humanistic Buddhism & Leadership is the first of many online programs the Venerable is developing for ICBS and University of the West.

**Dr. Lewis Lancaster**, a specialist in the canons of Buddhist texts, was the first student to complete the Ph.D. in Buddhist



Studies at the University of Wisconsin. He taught at the University of California, Berkeley, for 33 years, with five years as Chair of the Department of East Asian Languages and Literature. By means of a grant from the National Geographic Society, he and a group of students and faculty inventoried texts in monasteries among the Sherpa people in the Himalayas. He then began to research the problems of converting Buddhist texts from Pali, Chinese, and Sanskrit into digital format. The results of his efforts have helped to make the canons available in CD ROM and internet databases. With grants from the National Science Foundation and the Luce Foundation, he continues to develop software and methods for accessing large amounts of data searching for patterns. In another arena, he formed an association of scholars called the Electronic Cultural Atlas Initiative, which is housed on the Berkeley campus and has a thousand affiliates worldwide. At present, ECAI is developing several

atlas projects that geo-register and map thousands of sites including Tibetan Buddhist Monasteries, Chinese Religions, and Atlas of Maritime Buddhism. A founding faculty member of the University of the West in 1991, he served as President (2004-06) now acts as an adjunct faculty member on the campus

**Dr. Darui Long** is a Professor of Chinese religion at University of the West. In 1996 Dr. Long earned his Ph.D. at Beijing's



Graduate School, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Upon graduation, he obtained "The Senior Fellowship" from the Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University, and "Harvard-Yenching Institute". He continued his research in Chinese Buddhism with the support of University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Long taught Eastern religions and Chinese religions at the University of Calgary, Canada from 2000 – 2002. He returned to University of the West in 2002 and has taught Chinese Buddhism, Chinese philosophy, Chinese religions, Chinese history, and Dunhuang studies. Between 2002 and 2007, he served as Assistant to the Dean of Academic Affairs, and acting chair of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. In 2009, Dr. Long obtained a scholarship from Princeton University and spent one month doing research on the rare editions of Chinese Buddhist canon. He also spent three weeks at the Regenstein Library, University of Chicago, examining its collection of the *Northern Yongle Edition of the Chinese Buddhist Canon*. He has traveled widely in

China checking the rare books in Buddhist literature preserved in libraries, museums, and temples in China.



**Mr. Lu**, a well-known business man and entrepreneur, earned his Master of Arts in Buddhist studies from the University of the West, as well as a Master of Arts in Communication Management from the University of Southern California. Mr. Lu has served in the role of President of SinoPac Financial Services, and First Vice President/Branch Manager for Morgan Stanley, and Vice President of Merrill Lynch, International. Mr. Lu has served on the board of C-Com Corporation, and is currently chairing a CEO group of Vistage, a leading Chief Executive Organization. Mr. Lu is also a Certified Professional Coach, and has combined eastern and western leadership philosophies into one effective leadership practice.



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