

Bibliography related to Tom Kasulis's presentation on Japanese ancient and medieval Buddhist philosophical themes

{May be posted on public website}

General references:

Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook (jps), James W. Heisig, Thomas P. Kasulis, John C. Maraldo, eds. (Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2011).

Includes many writings by Japanese Buddhist thinkers from Prince Shōtoku up to the early 21st century, including the members of the Kyōto School of philosophy such as NISHIDA Kitarō, NISHITANI Keiji, ABE Masao, TAKEUCHI Yoshinori, and UEDA Shizuteru.

Sources of Japanese Tradition, Wm. Theodore de Bary et al., eds. (New York: Columbia University Press, 2001, 2nd edition), 2 vols.

A standard resource for texts of various genres, including selections from Buddhist works.

Encyclopedias (for information on a multitude of topics and more reliable than Wikipedia):

Kodansha Encyclopedia of Japan (orig. print edition NY: Kodansha, 1983); also available in a continuously updated version on-line by subscription or through Japan Knowledge library subscription

Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy 1995 ; Edward N. Zalta, gen. ed. Available Online: <https://plato.stanford.edu>, 1995-

Encyclopedia of Religion (2nd edition under general editorship of Lindsay Jones). (Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference), 15 vols. Also available as e-book through Gale Virtual Reference Library.

The Oxford Handbook of Japanese Philosophy, Bret W. Davis, ed.

Includes several outstanding articles dealing with Japanese Buddhist thought. Its print version is still forthcoming but the articles that are already completed are available on-line through the Oxford Handbook On-line Series to which many libraries subscribe. Articles currently on-line relevant to my talks

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Thomas P. Kasulis, "Prince Shōtoku's Constitution and the Synthetic Nature of Japanese Thought"

Paul L. Swanson and Brook Ziporyn, "Saichō's Tendai: In the Middle of Form and Emptiness"

John W. M. Krummel, "Kūkai's Shingon: Embodiment of Emptiness"

Dennis Hirota, "Philosophical Dimensions of Shinran's Pure Land Path"

Steven Heine, "Dōgen on the Language of Creative Textual Hermeneutics"

The chapters for our in-sessions readings were taken from:

Thomas P. Kasulis, *Engaging Japanese Philosophy: A Short History* (Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2018).

Gives explanations of historical and cultural context for the development of philosophical thinking from the 7th through the early 21st century. Relevant page numbers from JPS (see citation above) appear in margins.