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- Buddhist canons — Jiang Wu, University of Arizona, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Buddhism and new media

- Buddhist education

- New research on the perfections; pāramitās, pāramī, etc. — Bradley S. Clough, University of Montana, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Buddhist representations of the Other — Daniel Kent, Whitman College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Maps of the Buddhist path — Karin Meyers, Kathmandu University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Responses to Owen Flanagan's *The Bodhisattva's Brain: Buddhism Naturalized* (Bradford Book, 2011) — Christian Haskett, Lexington, VA, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Buddhism and Pan-Asianism — Victoria Rose Pinto, Institute of Buddhist Studies, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

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Mission

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encourage greater international participation.

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