

Preventing Sexual Misconduct: Recognizing – Responding - Recovering



Shogaku Zen Institute presents An Online Class for Buddhist Community Leaders

U.S. Buddhist communities have been the subject of many claims of sexual misconduct, often by a revered teacher. Yet Buddhist clergy and community leaders, unlike their Christian counterparts, often receive no training in preventive action or in their legal and community responsibilities in addressing sexual misconduct allegations.

One section of this class will focus on sangha dynamics: **recognizing** misconduct, **responding** to it as a community, and the **recovery** of sangha cohesion. The other section, focusing on **legal issues**, will address the legal definition of misconduct, the **board's responsibility** in responding, and **policy guidelines** that help prevent community conflict when allegations arise.

- **Legal Issues** Instructor:

Carol Merchasin, Of Counsel, McAllister Olivarius

- **Sangha Dynamics Issues** Instructors:

Grace Schireson, Daishin McCabe, Steve Kanji Ruhl, Koshin Steven Tierney



There is no charge for the class, which will be held
on five successive Thursdays, from 1-3:30 pm PST (4-6:30 pm EST)
beginning March 30, 2023
For more info or to enroll, contact
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