## CITY OF TEN THOUSAND BUDDHAS DHARMA REALM BUDDHIST UNIVERSITY

## ANNOUNCEMENT TO STUDENTS

Dharma Realm Buddhist University provides year-round tuition-free education to qualified students. The emphasis at the University level of study is on loyalty, filiality, humaneness, and righteousness. Young adults are given the opportunity to develop their innate wholesome potential to as full an extent as they are capable. At the same time, high standards of academic excellence are maintained and a well-defined grading system prevails in all fields of study at the University.

The faculty and staff of DRBU continually guide students to recognize the deep debt each human being owes to his or her parents for their gift of life and their constant care and kindness. Students are also encouraged to develop a strong sense of loyalty to this country. The enactment of loyalty involves accepting personal responsibility for the welfare of this country and of selecting professions which will contribute to the wellbeing of the land and its citizens. The faculty sees it their duty to help young people recognize early on that the future of the world lies in their hands. Having been made aware of this, young people can then use their vital University years to useful ends in helping prepare themselves for their future roles in the world.

Basic to the growth of human roots are the virtues of humaneness and righteousness. With such magnanimous qualities fostered early in conduct and thought, young people can mature into truly outstanding individuals who are free from greed, contention, seeking, selfishness, and pursuit of self-benefit.

To these ends, young men and women study separately at the University and no student is permitted to entice his or her fellow-students with seductive behavior. Further, the use of cigarettes, intoxicants, hallucinogens, and stimulants and depressants is strictly prohibited, as is gambling and all other forms of improper behavior, not only on the University campus but in the daily lives of all students of DRBU during the course of their college careers. DRBU students are informed of the physical, moral, and spiritual detriments of birth control devices and are guided to refrain from illicit involvements with the opposite sex prior to marriage.

The current trend in most educational institutions is one where the faculty, for want of genuine wisdom and moral conviction of their own, encourage students to give vent to pleasure-seeking and unscrupulous behavior. Deprived of stolid role-models who have faith and integrity to look up to, these young people indulge their senses and ruin their life-force and divine efficacy through unbridled dissipation. The listlessness and self-destructiveness which ravage the youth of today endanger the entire world situation. During such a critical era, DRBU stands firm in the face of adversities and refuses to flow with the tide of corruption. Instead, we of the University will mold our students so they become replete with illustrious moral and academic standards, and in this way,

replenish the righteous energy in the universe and generate auspiciousness that fills the Dharma Realm.