"I must say I enjoyed my TTP year thoroughly: Boudha is amazing, the teachers (both Western and Tibetan) and students were fantastic. The program was pretty intense but certainly worthwhile. I have been interpreting since, to my own surprise, after only one year of training, and though far from being an expert, I can do it! I applaud the people who make Rangjung Yeshe such a great school and place to be. I would certainly recommend this program to anyone willing to delve into Tibetan language and culture."

Student, Translator Training Program
Rangjung Yeshe Institute’s Translator Training Program is designed to help students become oral interpreters of basic Tibetan Dharma teachings after 12 months of intensive study and translation practice.

The 12-month course includes study of spoken Dharma Tibetan, Classical Tibetan, Colloquial Tibetan, basic Buddhist Philosophy, and Translation Methodology. Students can choose to live with Tibetan families, so they are fully immersed in the language.

One Translator Training Program student has this to say about the program:

“To my knowledge, this program is the best opportunity to learn the Tibetan language and learn how to interpret it. It offered me all the right conditions: everything I needed for learning fast. I’d definitely recommend it to anyone who wants to study Tibetan in an intensive and effective way.”

Translator Training Program

To qualify for the program, students need a year of prior training in both Colloquial and Classical Tibetan. The program is offered to fill a real need for oral interpreters in the Tibetan Buddhist world community, so preference is given to applicants who have the intention to serve as interpreters for a Tibetan Buddhist teacher or community after completing the program.

Classes are taught in both English and Tibetan, and students are expected to translate into English. The program is located at Ka-Nying Shadrub Ling Monastery in Bouddhanath, Nepal, and runs from June to June each year.