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The Numata Chair in Buddhist Studies, in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Calgary, will be hosting a number of visiting scholars over the next two years. Most recently Dr. Ronald Davidson of Fairfield University, visited the Department from October 24 to October 28, 2010. Dr. Davidson gave a talk on October 26, titled "Mahayana Buddhist Rituals and the Method of Coded Phrases (dhāraṇ ī)", at the Calgary Buddhist Church. The Numata Chair of Buddhist Studies, the Department of Religious Studies and the Asian Studies Group, University of Calgary presented the talk.

During the period from the winter of 2011 through the spring of 2012 the Numata Chair of Buddhist Thought will host the following visiting scholars at the University of Calgary (dates are currently being determined):

Winter (January - April) 2011

- 1) Jonathan Silk (Kern Institute, Universiteit Leiden, Netherlands)
- 2) Collett Cox (University of Washington, Seattle).

Fall (September-December) 2011

- 3) Gregory Schopen (UCLA)
- 4) Chen-kuo Lin (National Chengchi University, Taiwan)

Winter (January - April) 2012

- 5) Chen-kuo Lin (National Chengchi University, Taiwan)
- 6) Christoph Emmrich (University of Toronto).