

# Buddhism in the Modern World



**A Talk by Tulku Orgyen P'untsok**

**5:30–7:00 P.M., Thursday, April 21**

**University of Memphis**

**University Center Ballroom A**

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Tulku Orgyen P'untsok has been recognized as the reincarnation of Togden Kunzang Longdrol Rinpoche, a highly realized yogi from Powo who had been influential in spreading the Dharma both in Tibet and in Padmasambhava's sacred Hidden Land of Pemaköd. Tulku spent his early years in retreat in his birthplace of Pemaköd in Arunachal Pradesh, northeastern India, studying all aspects of Buddhism. At the age of 15, Tulku began advanced studies in southern India at Namdroling Monastery, the largest monastery of the Nyingma lineage. Tulku completed the nine-year Khenpo degree, and taught Buddhist philosophy during his final three years at Namdroling Monastery.

Since 1999, Tulku Orgyen has been with Vairotsana Foundation, assisting Bhakha Tulku Rinpoche with teaching, practice, and other Dharma activity. Tulku has taught and led retreats throughout the United States, and travels and teaches frequently in Asia as well. Tulku served as a visiting professor at University of California – Santa Barbara, and has taught Tibetan language and other subjects periodically at the Vairotsana Foundation Center in Santa Barbara, where he currently serves as the Resident Lama and Director.

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