

E-Lecture on Women in Buddhism Hamburg University

The Community of Female Renunciants (*thilashin*)
in Burma-Myanmar

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1. General Overview
2. Types and Categories: who are the Buddhist nuns?

Pariyatti

ngebyu

Pattipati

tawdwet

Parahita

thilashin

medaw

yawgi (yogi)

- Number of precepts
- Color of their robes

3. Motives: Why do women renounce?
4. initiation: how do they become nuns?
 - The ceremony (*thilashin wut-pwe*)

5. Membership designated by the state

- Political representation
- Missionary work

6. Engagement with society

7. Building a community of female renunciants

- Buddhist education
- Scholastic lineage
- Partnership
- Independent nunneries



























