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The Evolution of Chinese Buddhist Knowledge Systems

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- Biographies of monks, lineage records, and lamp records of Chan Buddhism and the Buddhist knowledge system.

In this Special Issue, we aim to foster scholarly reflection on the construction of the Chinese Buddhist knowledge system, and how Buddhist knowledge both transformed and was transformed by Chinese civilization.

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