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Brahmin (/ ˈ b r ʌ m ɪ n /; Sanskrit: ब्रह्मण्य) is a varna (class) in Hinduism specialising as priests, teachers and protectors of sacred learning across generations. Upanayana is the rite of passage for the start of formal education of writing, numbers, reading, Vedangas, arts and other skills. The Upanayana rite of passage was also important to the teacher, as the student would therefrom begin to live in the gurukul (school). Hinduism is the world's third largest religion; its followers, known as Hindus, number about 1.15 billion, or 15-16% of the global population. Hindus form the majority of the population in India, Nepal and Mauritius. Jacob Dalton (East Asian Languages & Cultures and South & Southeast Asian Studies) Jacob Dalton, Professor and Khyentse Foundation Distinguished Professor of Tibetan Buddhism, received his Ph.D. in Buddhist Studies from the University of Michigan in 2002.