spring 2015
class schedule

for the love of learning
University-quality, non-credit short courses for students 50+

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

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In 2004, a grant from The Bernard Osher Foundation established the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at ASU. Thanks to the funding from The Bernard Osher Foundation, ASU support, and revenue from membership fees, OLLI at ASU became a self-sustaining institute that provided university-quality learning experiences to adults ages 50 and over.

Today, OLLI at ASU is one of the premiere Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes in the country. Our classes are academic in nature, research based, and taught by highly esteemed faculty from ASU and ASU’s Emeritus College. Not only that, but we’ve been recognized by Phoenix Magazine as the Best Extension Program in the Valley.

Our tremendous growth over the past 10 years has outpaced our initial revenue streams. Today our membership fees, ASU support, and funding from The Bernard Osher Foundation only cover 74% of our expenses. As we continue to grow, philanthropic support is needed to allow us to offer the full spectrum of opportunities and experiences that make membership in the OLLI at ASU community so special.

We have a keen vision for growing OLLI at ASU – more courses, more lectures, and more connectivity to the intellectual, cultural, and social experiences at Arizona State University. In order to implement this exciting vision for our future, we are creating a robust philanthropic program to support our growth for years to come. The Bernard Osher Foundation has responded to our vision for the future and our status as a premiere OLLI program by offering us the opportunity to double their funding as we demonstrate a successful philanthropic program.

Our first goal is to raise a cumulative $15,000 from 10% of our members. Your financial support today will take us one step closer to our goal and allow us to better serve our community of lifelong learners. Please consider making a charitable contribution to support the growth of your educational opportunities here with us.

“Life without learning is just “existence.” A day that one learns nothing is a day tossed away. When you stop learning, you may as well stop living. I LOVE lifelong learning.”

Rae Haynes, OLLI at ASU member

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Dear OLLI at ASU community,

A happy, happy birthday to us all!

This year, we are celebrating our 10th year together as a learning community! From our humble beginnings as a tiny set of course offerings in the West Valley, we have grown into a vibrant community of almost 1,300 members – growing together through our ASU experiences scattered across five campuses; and as you might have heard, OLLI at ASU was recently touted as the “Best Extension Program” by Phoenix Magazine. We are really grateful for your support.

While these are tangible indications of our success as a learning community, what we find truly remarkable are the ways in which friendships are being built and new ways of serving the broader Valley community are being formulated. By creating a climate of caring, the unique character of the OLLI at ASU identity has truly surfaced.

There are many ways in which we can continue to build our community together. In February, we are hosting our second annual Abundant Aging and Longevity Event, which will showcase the talents of ASU’s premiere faculty who are discovering the keys to vibrant living. At the same time, we will be showcasing the many gifts of OLLI at ASU members. Consider joining our community’s meaningful partnership with AARP and Experience Matters to mentor young children in underperforming schools. Look forward to new ways to interact with ASU undergraduate and graduate students through our developing opportunities in intergenerational learning. Join your many fellow members who are serving as OLLI at ASU ambassadors to help spread the good word about our special community. Consider joining our OLLI at ASU Development Committee, who is advocating the expansion of programming by encouraging charitable gifts from members, businesses and foundations. Send us your ideas.

Many members have stepped forward in positive response to our fundraising campaign as we celebrate our 10th anniversary year. We are so grateful for these visionary members who are taking an active part in OLLI at ASU’s future, but we’re not done yet. Our goal is to raise a total of $15,000 with 10 percent of our members participating during this academic year. Through the active participation of all members, we will indeed “Help OLLI Grow!”

In closing, may I remind you once again to take advantage of the many discounts at Valley cultural, educational and wellness institutions that come with being a member of the OLLI at ASU community. We are honored by these partners, and please tell them how much we appreciate their support.

Here’s a toast to our 10 years of a common journey of lifelong learning and community building. We look forward to seeing you in the spring OLLI classes!

Richard C. Knopf, Ph.D., Director,
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at ASU

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about us

The mission of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Arizona State University is to provide university-quality learning experiences for adults ages 50 and over through diverse short courses and lectures, campus-based learning opportunities, and civic engagement initiatives.

We are a community of engaged learners discovering the joy of lifelong learning at its best . . . no tests, grades or educational requirements! OLLI at ASU members have the opportunity to grow and learn inside and outside the classroom via campus events, local affinity groups, group discounts to local cultural and art events, and social media networks.

membership benefits

Semester membership fee entitles you to these benefits:

- OLLI at ASU student member ID card
- Discounted tickets to performances at the ASU Kerr Cultural Center in Scottsdale
- Connections to the ASU Alumni Association offering enrollment in free OLLI lectures, discounts on educational travel trips, and many other perks
- Discounted admission to the Heard Museum – American Indian Art & History – in Phoenix
- Discounted tickets to selected shows at The Nash, Arizona’s jazz performance and educational venue in Downtown Phoenix
- $30 tickets ($89 value – seating in the Bronze Tier) to all Ballet Arizona matinee performances
- Discounted tickets to the Arizona Opera season performances and free enrollment in opera previews
- Connections to the Irish Cultural Center in downtown Phoenix offering invitations to special events
- Discounted tickets to the ASU Herberger Institute of Design and Arts on the ASU Tempe campus
- Access to a fitness membership in the ASU Sun Devil Fitness Complexes
- Ning, an Internet-based learning platform exclusively for use by OLLI members
- Invitations to ASU educational events
- University-quality learning experiences
- Connections to a vibrant higher education institution – Arizona State University
- A forum for friendship and socialization
- Being part of an engaged OLLI at ASU learning community
- Connections to national and international lifelong learning opportunities through the Osher National Resource Center
$15 semester membership fee

One-time per semester membership fee entitles you to register at all locations and take as many classes as you wish!

+ class/lecture fees
Fees are noted in the class descriptions
Most courses are $35, lectures are $10

refund policy

Membership fees are nonrefundable. Class/lecture/series fees are nonrefundable, except in the event a class/lecture/series is cancelled. In this case, the applicable fee will be refunded at the close of the semester.

online registration

www.regonline.com/olliasuspring15

- No service fees
- Immediate enrollment at all locations
- Pay membership and all class fees at one time
- Pay with a credit card or check on our secure website
- Instant confirmation directly to you
- Return to add classes at a later date

Register by mail or phone at any of our locations.
Thrive on the insights of leading scholars and help us celebrate the joy of longevity

Join us for exclusive fast-paced presentations by top ASU researchers that expand your understanding of abundant aging and longevity. You’ll enjoy the festivities that make up our OLLI at ASU community as we celebrate OLLI at ASU’s 10th birthday.

Saturday, February 7, 2015
9 a.m. - noon
ASU Downtown Phoenix campus
Nursing & Health Innovation Bldg. 2
Room 110
550 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

speakers:

Alberto Ríos
Arizona Poet Laureate
“Abundant Aging”
Keynote address by Arizona Poet Laureate and ASU Regents Professor

Dr. Carol Johnston
Associate Director, School of Nutrition and Health Promotion, ASU
“The Fish Story”
Fish might protect the aging brain, yet meatless diets might as well – how can this be?

Dr. Karen Anderson
Associate Professor, Biodesign Institute, ASU
“I Spy… A Cancer”
How proteomics and molecular immunology is changing the detection and treatment of cancer.

Dr. Julie Fleury
Professor, College of Nursing and Health Innovation, ASU

Dr. Nelma Shearer
Director, Hartford Center of Gerontological Nursing Excellence, ASU
“Empowering Your Potential for Abundant Living”
A research perspective on promoting your strengths and abilities to enhance well-being and abundant living in later life.

Dr. Vincent Waldron
Professor, Communication Studies, ASU
“Forgiveness: A Key to Health and Wellness in Later Life”
New research tells us that learning to forgive promotes physical and mental well-being across the lifespan.

registration:
$10 for OLLI at ASU members
Register now: online at www.regonline.com/olliasuspring15, or call 602.543.6440, or email lifelonglearning@asu.edu

More about our scholars on page 31.
Thursday, Mar. 12 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Observation

The presentation of Leonardo’s Codex Leicester represents the first time an original document by the hand of the ultimate “renaissance man” has appeared in Arizona. Explore the exhibition with the purpose of close observation to appreciate the Codex’s 18 folio pages as physical objects as well as to identify how the pages provide insight to Leonardo’s thought process.

Thursday, Mar. 26 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Thinking on Paper

Leonardo often captured and fleshed out his ideas on paper, through both writing and drawing. He was even able to draw the movement of water – a key theme of the Codex Leicester, and a most ephemeral subject to capture visually. Using water features at the museum, we will practice capturing observations on paper as a method of problem-solving and creative thinking.

Thursday, Apr. 9 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Curiosity

Leonardo’s work was driven by an insistent curiosity about the world. The Codex Leicester represents his thoughts about a diversity of subjects, from water movement on earth to water on the moon. This session will dive into Leonardo’s comments on water and the relevance they have to contemporary issues in Arizona.

Location: Phoenix Art Museum
1625 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ
Free parking behind the Museum or take the light rail to the Central/ McDowell station.

Series: $35 for Museum members*
Cost: $65 for non-Museum members*
*Includes admission to the Museum

Eligibility: Exclusively for OLLI at ASU members, ages 50+

Capacity: Limited to 25 participants

To enroll in this series, register online at www.regonline.com/olliasu/spring15
or call OLLI at ASU at 602.543.6440
The Contemporary Immigration Debate
Instructor: Dr. Jaime R. Aguila  
Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 2
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Immigration to the U.S. is one of the most controversial political issues; the U.S. is the least understood of all its neighbors in the media. In this course, we will look at the melting pot metaphor as a metaphor for immigration policy. We will review the history of American immigration and nationality laws, beginning with a survey of immigration public policy since the late 19th century to the present. The course will assess the evolution of immigration public policy since the mid-19th century. It will contextualize the relationship between immigration and other elemental nation-state issues such as the economy, education, identity and civil rights.

Natural History of Arizona
Instructor: Dr. Ken Sweat  
Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 2
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
The Arizona desert holds many wonders of an extreme environment and the life that lives in it. This course will introduce students to the geology, flora, fauna and human history of Arizona. Using information and theories from biology, ecology, geology and archaeology, the class will explore the adaptations of desert animals, plants and other life forms, the landscape that set the stage for their evolution and the human cultures that have called this desert home.

Beyond the Bones
Instructor: Dr. Anthony Falsetti  
Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Mar. 9, 16, 23, 30
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Forensic anthropology is the application of the science of anthropology to legal matters. The practice involves applying knowledge of the human skeletal system, wound mechanics and decomposition to issues before the court. In addition, forensic anthropologists are often called upon to examine and identify unidentified human remains for medical examiners, coroners and other agencies. The basis of forensic anthropological analysis begins with the 206 skeletal elements that make up the human skeleton. The study of the development of our bones, form the baseline knowledge for all forensic applications. This course uses real cases involving human remains to illustrate how forensic anthropologists contribute to the successful resolution of homicides, human rights and missing persons cases as well as civil matters involving burial site location, possible instances of desecration of graves as well human remains trafficking. Each session will focus on one type of forensic application and use actual case studies to illustrate how knowledge of our bones is used to resolve legal issues.

Performance Practice and Early Music
Instructor: Dr. Guy Whatley  
Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Mar. 9, 16, 23, 30
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
In the past, we played music very differently from how we play it today, and we can hear this on recordings from the 20th century. Over the last 100 years, styles of singing, instrument playing and improvisation have drastically transformed. Imagine then, how much performing styles might have changed in the 250 years since the death of Bach. This class will look at the many different ways modern musicians try and work out how performers of the past played their instruments. We will look at the history of “early music movement” and new directions that are emerging in the performing of music.

Declaring Independence
Instructor: Dr. Catherine O’Donnell
1 session: Monday, Apr. 6
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
The Declaration of Independence has become a timeless statement of American ideals; but it emerged from a very specific time and place, and still bears the traces of the intellectual, political, and military conflicts that inspired it. We will explore its roots and the uses to which it was put during the weeks and months after its adoption by the Continental Congress. We will conclude with a quick view of the many ways it has since been used throughout the world.

Insects of the Sonoran Desert
Instructor: Dr. Ronald Rutowski  
1 session: Monday, Apr. 6
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Efforts to manage a piece of land, whether public or private, require that we at least know something of the diversity and abundance of the life forms that occur there. With this in mind, the McDowell Sonoran Field Institute coordinated an assessment of the floral and faunal resources found in the McDowell Sonoran Preserve, a beautiful patch of upper Sonoran Desert in eastern Scottsdale. This presentation will overview Dr. Rutowski’s large, day-flying insect study with special attention to how it was done, the results, and what is next. This lecture will highlight and illustrate interesting aspects of the natural history of the common large insects seen on the Preserve.
From Gertie to Mickey to Buzz: The History of Animation
Instructor: Dr. Diane Gruber  Cost $30
3 sessions: Mondays, Apr. 13, 20, 27
10:30 a.m. – noon
Sands Building, Room 223
This course traces the history of filmic animation from its earliest hand-drawn cel and stop animation techniques to the recent use of computer-generated imagery. We will view various examples – from drawn to puppet to claymation to rotoscope – of U.S. and international animation in order to understand not only the development of this cinematic genre, but to examine what animation can do that live action cannot and why this has remained so appealing, delightful and disturbing to both children and adults.

tuesday

Out of the Blue: New Perspectives on Men’s Health
Instructor: Dr. Christopher Berger  Cost $20
2 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 17
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Men and women are welcome to join Dr. Berger to learn about health issues affecting men across the lifespan. Topics will reference male anatomy, nutrition, psychology and physiology in an effort to teach men how to use science to live healthier lives. The three themes representative of this course include the characteristics of gender (the importance of studying health issues related to men), gender issues (the brain and male health), and problems in male sexuality (special challenges facing men).

Macbeth: Imagination, Introspection and Obsession
Instructor: Dr. Marsha Fazio  Cost $30
3 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 24, Mar. 3 (no class Feb. 17)
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
One of William Shakespeare's greatest tragedies, Macbeth, is the drama of a loving couple's descent into hell. In this masterful poetic exploration of evil, the great bard compels us to consider timeless human questions of gender, politics and family relations as he takes us deep into the consciousness of a killer. Set against a dark, foreboding background, rife with thunder, lightning flashes and witches' incantations, this masterpiece grips us from the opening scenes until the very end of Macbeth's “charmed life.”

Baroque Masters: Handel and Bach
Instructor: Dr. Lou-ellen Finter, Professor Emerita  Cost $20
2 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 24, Mar. 3
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Handel and Bach were born in the same year, within miles of each other but born into completely different life circles. The famed Baroque masters lived very different lives, and their music was a reflection of these lifestyles.

A Look inside Your Medicine Cabinet
Instructor: Dr. Howard Wernick  Cost $10
1 session: Tuesday, Mar. 10
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
We all want a long, healthy and quality lifestyle. The right information and resources can help you succeed with your goal. Hear about the pros and cons of what is nutritional in your medicine cabinet, and where, when and why you should take that pill. This lecture is designed to provide the student with up-to-date information. Bring your questions to class. The doctor is in!

From Quarks to Cosmos
Instructor: Dr. Ahren Sadoff, Professor Emeritus  Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Mar. 10, 17, 24, 31
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Explore the universe from its smallest to largest components. Dr. Sadoff will begin his discussions with a brief description of the methodology of science, using as an example our understanding of the atom from the Greeks to the present day. Next, we’ll explore the micro world of quarks and the quantum, including the mysterious elementary particle called the Higgs Boson. These lively discussions will conclude with a look at dark matter and dark energy.

Chemistry of the Environment
Instructor: Dr. Kirstin Hendrickson  Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Mar. 17, 24, 31, Apr. 7
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
With words like pollution, natural resources and sustainability all over the popular media, do you ever find yourself wondering how to separate the scientific reality from the hype? Or perhaps you’d simply like to understand — in simple and jargon-less terms — what is happening on our planet. In this series of lectures, we’ll learn about the hole in the ozone layer, where it came from, how it’s doing now — and how two researchers discovered what NASA missed. We’ll explore the science, economics and politics of GMOs, and learn whether they’re a marvel of biotechnology with the potential to feed a growing population, or an environmental disaster (perhaps with ramifications for health) in the making. We’ll address global warming — both the science and the perception of a scientific debate — and in the process, discover how a 19th century Swedish chemist impacted our understanding of climate science when he got dumped by his girlfriend. In the fourth lecture of the series — made up of Dr. Hendrickson’s characteristic “Science Tapas” short-format topics — we’ll explore relevant subjects depending on class interest: mercury in seafood, the effect of pollution and global warming on coral reefs, the start of what scientists are calling the “6th Mass Extinction,” the way specific molecules (like capsaicin in peppers and zingerone in ginger) have impacted the globe and anything else that strikes the class’ fancy.

“Teaching in Osher classes has been the best teaching experience of my life.”
Dr. Ahren Sadoff, Professor Emeritus
The Mysterious Origins of Dogs
Instructor: Dr. Clive Wynne
1 session: Tuesday, Apr. 7
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
This course traces the early life of Joseph Stalin, with a special focus on his rise to power in the early Bolshevik movement and government. While initially Stalin remained on the periphery of Soviet power, he slowly consolidated power by the late 1920s. We will also look at the controversial gulag system, deportations, famines, and the chaos of World War II. Finally, we will discuss his legacy vis-a-vis post-Stalin Soviet policies.

Stalin: Man and Legend
Instructor: Dr. Robert Niebuhr
Cost $20
2 sessions: Tuesdays, Apr. 14, 21
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
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tuesday/wednesday

Contemporary Women Artists of the American West and Cowgirl Up!
Instructor: Allen Reamer
Cost $20
2 sessions: Wednesday, Mar. 11 and Tuesday, Apr. 7
Times and locations listed below
Join us for this two-part course focusing on the role of contemporary women artists of the American West and seeing their creations first hand! Our first session will be a classroom lecture, and the second session is a museum visit. Details follow below.

Classroom lecture: Contemporary Women Artists of the American West
Wednesday, Mar. 11; 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
ASU West campus, Sands Building, Room 131
Phoenix has a tradition of collecting and displaying the work of painters and sculptors of the American West. While one may associate this artwork with male artists, there are actually a number of female Western artists whose works range from traditional to contemporary. We will discuss what characteristics make an artist a Western artist and focus on specific female artists of the American West. We will look at their work, talk about the aesthetics and compositional aspects, the drawings, the subjects, and the color schemes of their work. We will continue until we run out of time.

One-Point and Two-Point Perspective Cityscapes
Instructor: Allen Reamer
Cost $45
5 sessions: Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, Mar. 4, 11
10:00 a.m. – noon
Sands Building, Room 131
This course will take a step-by-step approach to developing your skills and knowledge in painting one-point and two-point perspective buildings. You will learn the difference between a one-, two-, and three-point perspective building. You will then learn how to paint specific styles of buildings, primarily houses. Information about your tools, supplies and some architectural terms for specific building styles will also be shared. You will complete this course with the ability to produce one-point and two-point perspective cityscapes. All levels of experience welcome! A supply list will be emailed to students before the start of class.

Museum visit: Desert Caballeros Western Museum, Wickenburg
21 N. Frontier Street, Wickenburg
Tuesday Apr. 7; 10:30 a.m. – noon
Museum admission is $9.00 adults; $7.00 over 60. We will view their annual, acclaimed exhibition, Cowgirl Up! Art from the Other Half of the West. Cowgirl Up! captures the imagination of just about everyone who is attracted to the lifestyle and spirit of the West. In 2006, the Desert Caballeros Western Museum stepped forward on behalf of the West’s women artists. Since then the show and sale have become the most important for Western women artists in the country. With over 200 paintings and sculptures, you can’t afford to miss the color, the energy, and the just plain fun of this show. Our instructor will discuss selected paintings, drawings, and sculpture. The talk will concentrate on the aesthetics and the technical aspects of the art (i.e., the composition, methods used to create depth, color scheme, motif, paint application technique, what was being expressed, and how it was expressed). NOTE: Comfortable walking shoes are suggested. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the museum.

"I have two more friends interested in OLLI classes. I will keep on recruiting because I love your program and the staff. You make it so welcoming and easy for us.”
- Joyce
The Birth and Origins of Christianity: The Early Centuries
Instructor: Dr. Don Sharpes, Professor Emeritus  Cost $35
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, Mar. 4
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 133
This short course will explore the first few centuries of Christianity and the literature and philosophies popular in that epoch. Two common intellectual streams were stoicism and gnosticism and their influence on the early Christian movement. We will examine the Greek influence on scripture, and explore the parallels between known figures of the time, like Plato, Epictetus, Cyrus, Mithras, and Jesus. We will also look at the early church councils that defined Christian dogma and how heretics came to be defined.

Art and Architecture for the Armchair Traveler
Instructor: Allen Reamer  Cost $35
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, Mar. 4
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Are you thinking about traveling to England, Greece, Italy, or Russia and wondering what sites to visit? Or maybe you just dream of touring the art and architecture of these great cities from the comfort of your recliner. This class aims to increase your enjoyment and knowledge of looking at English churches and cathedrals, Greek art and architecture, Roman art and architecture, and Russian architecture. We will cover major buildings and art styles so you will know what to see and what you are looking at whether from a tour bus or from your recliner.

Rocks Rock! Modern Geology and Planetary Geology
Instructor: Stan Celestian  Cost $35
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Mar. 18, 25, Apr. 1, 8
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
Join Stan Celestian as he discusses new developments on the San Andreas Fault System – one of the most important faults in the world; recent eruptions in Iceland, as well as the advance of lava in Hawaii; the Global Positioning System and topographic maps; fracking in North Dakota in search of more fuel resources; remote sensing techniques; exciting and new asteroid and comet discoveries, as well as new planetary discoveries that could change our outlook on our Solar System.

Arizona Pioneer History
Instructor: Dr. Lou-Ellen Finter, Professor Emerita  Cost $35
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Apr. 8, 15, 22, 29
noon – 1:30 p.m.
Sands Building, Room 131
In this course, we look back in time to explore the development of Arizona, the 48th state. We will look at where it all started with geology, early people and the Spanish, the reasons for its growth, and also why it was the last contiguous state. We will cover the territory's three capitals and its first governors, the development of education, transportation, mining, lumbering, the Apache, and last, but not least, a look at the state then and now.

how to register!

-registration information
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- ONLINE REGISTRATION

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Pay with a credit card.

- By MAIL: Mail in your registration form with a check payable to “ASU” to:
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at ASU
PO Box 37100
Mail Code 3251
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

Registration forms may be downloaded from http://lifelonglearning.asu.edu or requested by calling 602.543.6440
monday

Arizona Opera Previews
Instructor: Joshua Borths  
2 free sessions: Mondays, Feb. 16, Mar. 30  
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Location: Arizona Opera Center at 1636 N. Central Avenue  
(Register Education Room)

Register for individual sessions, one or both.  
Osher members are invited to join us at the Arizona Opera Center to preview the upcoming operas Magic Flute (Feb. 16) and Daughter of the Regiment (Mar. 30).

Cheeseburgers versus Tofu: The Sustainability of Food and You
Instructor: Colin Tetreault  
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 12  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131

In this class, you will learn about the intricacies of our modern-day food system. You will leave this class knowing the complex system that makes up modern food cultivation, distribution, and consumption; the history of our global and local production; why that local, organic apple may not be the best environmental choice; the social justice behind food domestically and abroad; global economics of food and the role it has on developing nations; the future of our shared food future, and how you can become a responsible part of it.

The Challenges of the Lincoln Presidency
Instructor: Dr. Brooks Simpson  
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 19  
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131

When Abraham Lincoln assumed the presidency in 1861, he confronted several daunting challenges. What would he do to keep the union together? How would he wage war successfully to defeat the Confederacy? What would he do about the institution of slavery? How would he maintain political support for the war while dealing with dissent at home? How would he approach victory, peace, and reconstructing the republic? This lecture offers an overview of how Lincoln met these challenges and earned his reputation as one of America’s greatest presidents.

Who are My Neighbors? And Why It Matters that You Know Them
Instructor: Dr. Craig Talmage  
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 19  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131

Have you ever waved to your neighbors, had casual conversations with them, or perhaps even invited them into your home? Recent research has shown that both the big and little moments in our communities are important to how connected we feel, how well we work together with others, and how engaged we are in our communities. We will explore how some of the big moments in our communities have affected our thoughts and actions. Additionally, we will discuss the more informal moments and how they may be even more important than we have thought.

thursday

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Come On, Get Happy!
Instructor: Dr. Teri Kennedy  
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 26  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131

While ancient Chinese and Greek philosophers related happiness to good fortune, contemporary Americans view happiness as something that can be actively pursued. This presentation will explore the concept and definitions of happiness across time and cultures, and review recent research on the relationship between happiness and health, socioeconomic status, quality of life and wellbeing. Finally, we will examine the relationship between happiness and healthy aging, and identify practices and policies that promote the pursuit of happiness.

The Language of Ornament
Instructor: Dr. Beverly Brandt, Professor Emerita  
Cost $20  
2 sessions on the same day: Thursday, Mar. 5  
10:15 – 11:45 a.m. & 1:15 – 2:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 350

If you travel, collect antiques or contemporary craft, attend the opera, theater, films, or watch TV, you have encountered decorative borders and motifs. This class will help you identify what you see, and understand its common usage and meaning. You will become more fluent in “The Language of Ornament.” This class will be split into two 90-minute sessions on the same day. In the morning, we will explore “Conventionalized Ornament,” including such examples as the fret, grapevine, arabesque, strapwork, etc. After lunch, we will turn to “Hybrid, Imaginary, and Bizarre Forms and Ornament,” reviewing everything from sphinxes to angels. If your grandchildren love the Harry Potter series, you’ll be able to amaze them by your knowledge of different types of dragons, centaurs, and satyrs! Feel free to explore nearby restaurants during the lunch break.

“With this selection of courses, I’m tempted to put in my retirement papers now.”  
- Timothy
The Fungus Among Us  
Instructor: Dr. Ken Sweat  Cost $35  
4 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2  
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 230  
From gourmet delicacies to devastating crop diseases, fungi have interacted with human society since its very beginnings. This class will explore the diversity of relationships humans have with members of the fungal kingdom and other similar organisms. Species that will be discussed include chocolate-eating mushrooms, coffee rust, hallucination inducing ergot, and of course yeasts, as we explore the complex relationship humanity has developed with the fungi.

The Brain: An Owner’s Guide  
Instructor: Dr. John Olson  Cost $35  
4 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 230  
The molecular mechanisms and structures of the brain are the foundation of human thought and consciousness, and we will take a whirlwind tour of four talks that will go into the science of neurology, its history, and how the brain possibly functions. We will cover the basics of brain structures, neurotransmitters, and how medication can influence these processes, from painkillers to antidepressants.

Canyon de Chelly  
Instructor: Dr. Lou-ellen Finter, Professor Emerita  Cost $35  
4 sessions: Thursdays, Apr. 9, 16, 23, 30  
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 230  
Canyon de Chelly is best known for the White House Ruin, tucked up in a natural alcove in the sheer, breathtaking sandstone cliffs; but there is so much more to explore in this Northern Arizona National Monument. We will take a look at this fascinating area that incorporates prehistoric people, the Diné (Navajo), and the history of Western settlement and exploration.

Humor and Communication  
Instructor: Tara Franks  Cost $10  
1 session: Thursday, Apr. 16  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 230  
This course is about the study of humor as human communication. We can begin by asking ourselves, how is the study of humor communicative by nature? What can be gained by the study of humor as communication? On a personal level, we can begin to understand our own patterns and expressions of humor in relation to others. On the social level, such study helps us become more mindful consumers of humor trends in society. In this class, we will investigate humor theories, functions, styles and trends as we attempt to take humor seriously!

Transcending Time: Intercultural Communication and Intergenerational Dialogue  
Instructor: Tara Franks  Cost $10  
1 session: Thursday, Apr. 30  
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 230  
This workshop brings together students from multiple generations and diverse cultural backgrounds in order to explore intercultural communication patterns and topics from a multigenerational perspective. It will be moderated by an intercultural communication facilitator with the intent on inspiring engaged and instructional dialogue through a series of prompts including topics such as: race/ethnicity, social class, identity, stereotypes and cultural histories. We welcome you to share your stories and cultural experiences with others.

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- Bonnie
**Friday Afternoon Art Series**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131
Instructor: Allen Reamer

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**Michelangelo**
1 session: Friday, Mar. 20

Michelangelo was a High Renaissance artist who is still recognized as a genius, but his life was like a soap opera. He said later in life that he felt he wasted his youth. We will learn why he never wanted to paint the Sistine Chapel. In this class, we will learn about Michelangelo’s life in detail, the historical context in which he worked and the characteristics of his works of art.

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**Rembrandt**
1 session: Friday, Mar. 27

Rembrandt painted during the Dutch Golden Age, and today he is viewed as a great master of painting. In addition to learning about his paintings, you will discover why he also did etchings and what he etched. His life had major high points and low points. In this talk, Rembrandt's life and his art will be discussed in great detail. You will also discover why this small country had so many professional artists and why this was the Dutch Golden Age.

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**August Renoir**
1 session: Friday, Apr. 3

Renoir was one of the greatest French Impressionists who developed a new style of expressing the beauty of the human figure. A powerful friend of his challenged the Impressionist to produce a large significant painting. He took this challenge and produced the *Luncheon of the Boating Party*. We will discuss this painting in detail, along with the artistic background Renoir developed in, his life and his other paintings.

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**Vincent van Gogh**
1 session: Friday, Apr. 10

Vincent van Gogh was a Post-Impressionist painter who had a turbulent life and whose paintings were appreciated after his death. In this class, we will look at van Gogh’s life and works of art in detail from his birth to his death. We will continue until we run out of time.

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**Enroll in one or more of these four art lectures!**

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**Writing to Remember, Writing to Forget: The Art of Creative Non-Fiction**

Instructor: Dr. Rosemarie Dombrowski

Cost $35

4 sessions: Fridays, Feb. 13, 20, 27, Mar. 6
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.
UCENT Bldg., Room 282

With its roots in the New Journalism of the 60s, the genre now commonly known as creative non-fiction is practiced by nearly everyone who considers themselves a writer. In this class, we will explore the short, lyrical essays of Annie Dillard, Richard Shelton, Terry Tempest Williams, Bernard Cooper, Brenda Miller, and David Sedaris. The course will conclude with the composition of a flash memoir and a brief writing workshop, as well as suggestions for further writing.

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**Through Women’s Eyes: Global Perspectives of History**

Instructor: Dr. Pamela Stewart

Cost $35

4 sessions: Fridays, Feb. 13, 20, 27, Mar. 6
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.
UCENT Bldg., Room 282

“‘The history of women is the history of humanity,” noted a revolutionary French woman in 1868. Women have not only made a lot of history, but history looks quite different when their lives become visible. This course offers snapshots of the lives of women creating change across the globe, especially during the 19th and 20th centuries. Perceptions of history and women often shape current policies, sometimes without us realizing what women have actually done. Come and discover what global history looks like through women’s eyes.

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**It is all Really Just in Your Head**

Instructor: Dr. Jay Braun, Professor Emeritus

Cost $10

1 session: Friday, Mar. 13
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Cronkite Bldg., Room 121

There is nothing in human experience and behavior that can’t be traced to the brain in some form or other. This lecture will provide examples from neurology and psychology along with some history of how brain disorders have been perceived and diagnosed in the past.

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**Poetry as Scientific Exploration: A Lyrical Study in Autism**

Instructor: Dr. Rosemarie Dombrowski

Cost $10

1 session: Friday, Mar. 20
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.
 Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131

This lecture by Dr. Rosemarie Dombrowski, professor of literature and mother of a non-verbal autistic son, will explore the integration of biological, medical, and therapeutic processes into the linguistic landscape of poetics – specifically, a collection of poetry that charts the tumultuous relationship between mother and son within the discombobulated world of non-verbal autism.
Siege and Revolution: Women and War in 1871 Paris
Instructor: Dr. Pamela Stewart
1 session: Friday, Apr. 3
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131
As Paris suffered through war, siege, and finally revolution between July 1870 and May 1871, working women hurled epithets in public meetings, influenced political leadership by demanding work, and manned artillery. As troops of the French Third Republic annihilated around 30,000 residents of Paris during “Bloody Week” in May 1871, they often targeted women, and were believed to have set fire to the city. Come discover the story that began where Sacré Cœur now stands, ending at Père LaChaise Cemetery.

Islam
Instructor: Dr. Mirna Lattouf
Cost $35
4 sessions: Fridays, Apr. 10, 17, 24, May 1
10:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131
In this course, we will discuss the rise of Islam, its historical development, its contributions to the global communities, and the various aspects and complexities of its message. We will review the history of the Arabian Peninsula, the founder of Islam – the prophet Muhammad, the revelations and orthodox tenets of the religion, the intellectual developments, the mystical philosophy of Sufism, and the role of Islam in the 21st century.

William Blake and Contemporary Physics
Instructor: Dr. Mark Lussier
1 session: Friday, Apr. 17
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131
William Blake is usually seen as the most resistant opponent to scientific world views articulated in the wake of Newton’s work on optics and gravity. However, when reading contemporary works seeking to explain the ‘new physics’ of relativity and quantum, the scientists writing those texts draw upon William Blake to help readers visual some of the most provocative concepts of contemporary physics. This class explores this curious irony and uncovers a shared vision between artistic and scientific endeavors in our own age.

Hungary Then and Now: Changes over a Century
Instructor: Flora Farago
Cost $10
1 session: Friday, Apr. 24
12:15 – 1:45 p.m.
Mercado, Bldg. C, Room 131
This lecture will broadly focus on the sociopolitical changes that have taken place in Hungary from WWI to present day (roughly the past 100 years). We will discuss history, politics, culture (food, geography, customs, folk traditions etc.), societal norms, and more. Additionally, emphasis will be placed on social justice issues such as the integration of the Roma people into society and Anti-semitism. Contemporary Hungary and its integration into the EU will also be discussed.

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monday

Souls of the Age: Contemporary Short Stories
Instructor: Heather Ackerman  Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
What do we expect of literature produced in our own cultural moment? What patterns, themes, and styles have emerged in the 21st century and fin de siecle? In this course, we will look at both popular and critically acclaimed texts in order to see how modern concerns are contemplated in short fiction and to reflect on how a contemporary canon might be constructed. Our reading list will include David Sedaris, Margaret Atwood, George Saunders, Alice Munro, Joyce Carol Oates, and Louise Erdrich, among others.

Nothing: The Paradoxical Truth about Art that Appears Devoid of Content and Meaning
Instructor: Henry Leo Schoebel  lecture $10
1 session: Monday, Mar. 2
10:30 a.m. – noon
There are absurd works of art that remain incomprehensible, even in spite of our attempts to understand them. There are works of art that seem empty of content and meaning, and despite all our efforts to see them as something, they look like nothing. Dr. Schoebel will discuss paintings of the mid-20th century artists including Barnett Newman, Mark Rothko, Jackson Pollock, Morris Louis, Franz Klein, and more. Dr. Schoebel will share a few stories about “nothing,” mention a number of myths about “nothing,” and outline a few scientific theories about “nothing.” He will even attempt to persuade you to see nothing when there is actually something. All this in an attempt to convince you that “nothing” is “something.”

Symmetry: The Guiding Principle of Physics
Instructor: Dr. Richard Jacob, Professor Emeritus  Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Mar. 30, Apr. 6, 13, 20
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
All laws of physics ultimately are seen as manifestations of symmetry or symmetry-breaking in nature. We will follow this from classical physics through quantum physics and, finally, elementary particle physics and cosmology.

And If I Perish: Women on the Frontlines of Revolt, Revolution and War
Instructor: Dr. Pamela Stewart  Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Apr. 13, 20, 27, May 4
10:30 a.m. – noon
While many view women's presence in war as an exception and not the rule, history tends to prove otherwise. Rarely the subject of formal conscription, women nonetheless have often entered war by choice, circumstance or proximity. Siege warfare, shelling in contested landscapes, barricade erection in city streets, and enlistment have all meant women's frontline presence. Supply and support have kept armies on the move, yet women's presence in those arenas tends to be understood as something different than if men do the same jobs. Come and learn more about women's willingness to occupy military space, whether during a short-lived Paris revolt, a Mexican revolution, or as bomber pilots during a world war.

Everyday Economics for a Better Take on Life
Instructor: Dr. Stephen Happel, Professor Emeritus  Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Mar. 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6
10:30 a.m. – noon
Join us as we spend four weeks exploring the current state of the economy, key micro-economic concepts for day-to-day decision making, the psychology of money, and demographics, political and economic impacts. These topics are useful for anyone wishing to appreciate where the economy is now, where it is headed, and how you can be misled by economic commentators. Each session will be a lively interchange. Your questions are encouraged. See why a good heart alone is not enough to do good economics.

tuesday

50 Years as a Forensic Anthropologist
Instructor: Dr. Charles Merbs, Professor Emeritus  lecture $10
1 session: Tuesday, Feb. 17
10:30 a.m. – noon
Anthropologists have long contributed to forensic sciences, especially in the identification of human skeletons, their work evolving from casual observations to detailed professional analyses as the field of forensic sciences evolved. Dr. Merbs began work as a forensic anthropologist in 1958, while still a senior at the University of Wisconsin, aiding his professor in the infamous Ed Gein Case, inspiration for Psycho and the Silence of the Lambs. During the 60s and 70s, while at the University of Chicago, he worked cases in Cook County, and when he moved to Arizona in 1973, he began assisting the Maricopa County Medical Examiner. Although retired in 2004, he continues to assist the ME, especially on cold cases. Dr. Merbs will use cases in his files to illustrate the application of anthropology to an understanding of human skeletal remains within the context of the law, beginning with the Gein case, but dealing primarily with cases from Arizona.
Your Sleep, Your Life: Sleep Disorders and Guidelines for Healthy Slumber
Instructor: Dr. Carol Baldwin
1 session: Tuesday, Feb. 24
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
We can live for 11 days without food and without exercise, but without sleep, we are dead. Sleep disorders can negatively affect our personal health, our work performance, and our relationships. They can also lead to home-related accidents. Several sleep disorders are now associated with heart disease, diabetes, obesity, mood disorders, and some cancers. We will explore sleep disorders, why do they occur and how can they be treated. You may ask, why do I feel drained in the morning or why can’t I get my loved one out of bed? Why did William Shakespeare call sleep “nature’s soft nurse,” and Miguel de Cervantes write that sleep was the best cure for daily troubles? Join us to learn about sleep and how to improve it.

Alternative Religions in America Post-Civil War to the Present
Instructor: Dr. Keith Crudup
Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
From Spiritualist churches to UFO cults; from Spiritual But Not Religious folks to Nones; from dangerous devotion to esoteric escapes, and other religious alternatives in the American religious landscape, this course will explore how, after the Civil War, major transformations such as industrialization, immigration, urbanization, and globalization impacted America’s religious landscape. In the late 19th and throughout the 20th century, the U.S. has served as a setting for ever more radical and visible religious pluralism. In the “Lively Experiment” that is the American religious landscape, alternative religions were built upon past religions, while also expressing eclectic and novel beliefs, practices, and worldviews.

Sustainability: Beyond Patchouli and Into the Future
Instructor: Colin Tetreault
Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24
10:30 a.m. – noon
Why and how do you close down a coal-burning power plant? Learn about the interdisciplinary world of sustainability, how it impacts our environment, what it means to us as a society, and how it shapes our economies. We will explore how sustainability relates to agriculture, health and decision making. We will also discuss how sustainability affects, and is influenced by, the climate, air, water, energy and more!

“Allen Reamer does an outstanding job as an instructor. I’m a lifelong art major, and Allen always brings important knowledge to his classes.”

- Mavis

More Real World Chemistry
Instructor: Dr. Kristin Hendrickson
Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Apr. 14, 21, 28, May 5
10:30 a.m. – noon
Chemistry is still more fun than you ever thought it could be. In fact, far from being the science of balancing equations and making solutions explode, chemistry is nothing less than what happens inside us and all around us. What’s the difference between taste and smell, and why is the information we get from our tongue (which is a very accomplished chemist) important to survival? What’s the difference between traditional Western medicine and “alternative” medicine, and which is safer and healthier? Does it matter whether we purchase farmed salmon or wild salmon (or for that matter, eat salmon at all) to maintain our health? What is nuclear power, and is it a safe and viable alternative to fossil fuels? The answers to all these questions are rooted in REAL WORLD chemistry.

Occupied France, 1940-1944
Instructor: Dr. Jeanne Ojala, Professor Emerita
Cost $30
3 sessions: Tuesdays, Apr. 21, 28, May 5
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
On June 14, 1940, Paris was occupied by the Germans. On June 15, French ministers asked for conditions of a possible armistice, and on June 17, Marshal Petain, by radio, informed the population that fighting had ended. What led to this debacle, and who was responsible for the humiliating defeat, and how would the French people react to occupation by the Germans? The French government at Vichy, the resisters and collaborators will be examined. The fate of French Jews, the role of the Catholic Church, French intellectuals, and business and industry leaders reveal a complicated relationship between Germans and the vanquished. As liberation loomed in 1944, Charles de Gaulle – in exile in London, will emerge as a major figure in the future of France. What was that future?

wednesday

A Survey of African-American Artists
Instructor: Allen Reamer
Cost $35
1 session: Wednesday, Mar. 18
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
In this talk, we will look at a few of the many productive African-American artists who lived in America. We will discuss their lives and their artwork, and define what an American Black artist is, and is not. We will begin with colonial artists and continue to modern artists until we run out of time.

Russian Art and Architecture
Instructor: Allen Reamer
Cost $35
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Mar. 25, Apr. 1, 8, 15
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Russian art begins around 1,000 AD and was Byzantine in style. We will cover some of this vast artistic and architectural history. We will begin with a brief history of Russia, continuing with icons, cathedrals, monasteries, palaces, museums and finishing, time permitting, with Russian painters and sculptors.
thursday

Who is the Greatest: Elvis or the Beatles?
Instructor: Mike Shellans  
Cost $35

4 sessions: Thursdays, Feb. 12, 19, Mar. 5, 12  
(no class Feb. 26)
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
This course will thoroughly explore the eternal Rock and Roll question, “Who is the greatest: Elvis or the Beatles?” Based on the textbook of the same name, written by course instructor Mike Shellans, the first session will begin with when The Beatles met Elvis in 1965, short bios of both artists and a look at their musical influences and performance styles. Session II continues with a comparison of their managers and production techniques and film and television projects. Session III picks up with a discussion of their drug use, lifestyles and a business overview. Session IV concludes with the topics of Elvis devotees and Beatlemania. Participants will draw their own conclusions as to who they believe is the greatest!

Your Brain: From Neuroscience to Psychology to Art Appreciation
Instructor: Dr. Jay Braun, Professor Emeritus  
Cost $35

4 sessions: Thursdays, Feb. 19, 26, Mar. 5, 12  
10:30 a.m. – noon
The course is divided into four or five segments, beginning with a historical perspective on brain function, followed by brain development and ageing, mental illness issues, and “Neural Doors to the Perception of Art.” If time permits, one segment will be explored to try and convince the class that “it REALLY is just all in their heads.”

Dietrich Bonhoeffer: True Patriot, Reluctant Conspirator
Instructor: Dr. Larry Rasmussen, Professor Emeritus  
Cost $10

1 session: Thursday, Feb. 26  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906 – 1945) has become one of the most influential Christian thinkers of all time. Author of three widely read classics, Discipleship, Life Together and Letters and Papers from Prison, he was engaged in two resistance movements: the Church Struggle against the intrusion of Nazi ideology in the life of the Protestant churches, and the Military-Political Conspiracy to overthrow the Hitler regime. He, together with three other members of the Bonhoeffer family, was executed in April 1945 for his role in the conspiracy.

A Geological Narrative of Arizona and the Southwest
Instructor: Dr. Steven Semken  
Cost $45

5 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 9, 16, 23  
(no class Apr. 2)
10:30 a.m. – noon
In this course, we will apply basic principles of Earth science to investigate the rocks and landscapes of Arizona and the Southwest in order to decipher the stories they encode and to interpret the geologic history, scenery, resources, dynamic processes of change, and natural hazards of the complex and fascinating desert and mountain region we inhabit and love.

Days of Reckoning: World War II Europe
Instructor: Dr. Robert Niebuhr  
Cost $35

4 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 16, 23  
(no class Apr. 9)
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
This course examines the path of war in Europe from the invasion of Poland in September 1939 until the final victory over the Nazi Reich in 1945. When Hitler entered into hostilities, few could foresee the absolute destruction and chaos that would unfold throughout Europe. Despite his earlier messages about rebuilding Germany in reaction to the “unfair” Treaty of Versailles, Hitler’s radical goals for war forever changed the world. We will examine the rapid victories of the German forces and evaluate how that influenced their later decline. The course will focus on the war throughout Europe, but pay particular attention to one of the central tenants of the war – the Final Solution.

saturday

To Live and To Love: Songs of the Romantic Era
Instructor: Dr. Kerry Ginger  
Cost $20

2 sessions: Feb. 14, 21  
10:00 a.m. – noon
This course explores the classical songs of the great composers: Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, and Brahms. Come and learn why their songs endure, and how art song relates to poetry, culture, and economics in the 19th century. We will discuss basic musical concepts and listen to some of the most beautiful and intimate music ever written. No musical experience necessary!
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**Monday**

**A House Still Divided**
Instructor: Dr. Don Sharpes, Professor Emeritus  Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2, 9
10:30 a.m. – noon
Village Center, Private Dining Room
This short course summarizes historically how the anti-government movement as a longstanding American historical phenomenon manifests itself in today’s political debate. In the past, the anti-government movement came from the South. Today it is a southern mentality, now existing everywhere, that has become resurgent, polarizing the country. Dr. Sharpes will discuss our past national conflict before and after the Civil War, and demonstrate that the same issues that divided us, absent slavery, in previous centuries are now palpably present in our politics. If we substitute today’s political Left for yesterday’s North, and the South for the far Right, then the contemporary terms fit a similar pattern.

**The World through the Eyes of Insects: Facts and Fiction**
Instructor: Dr. Ron Rutowski  lecture  $10
1 session: Monday, Apr. 6
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Village Center, Skirm Auditorium
This class will explore the structure and physiology of the insect eye. Using behavioral studies, we will learn how clearly and colorfully insects perceive their world. Popular representations of how insects see the world will be critiqued and a more accurate alternative will be presented. A recurrent theme will be an explicit comparison of insect and human eyes, and the visual appreciation of the complexities of visual organs and perceptions in these animals.

**Tuesday**

**Four Centuries of Immigration: Ethnicity, Public Opinion and Policy**
Instructor: Dr. Brian Gratton  Cost $20
2 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 17, 24
10:30 a.m. – noon
Village Center, Private Dining Room
Dr. Gratton uses his research to present basic evidence about eras of immigration, the views of supporters and opponents and official policy. Across our history, immigrant ethnicities shifted sharply from English and African, to German and Irish, to Italian and Jewish, and to Mexican and Asian. The American people often reacted negatively, but policy rarely reflected popular opinion. The first session will consider migration before the U.S existed, examine the colonial and early national eras, and analyze the two great waves of immigration in the 19th century. The second session will examine the successful nativist movement of the early 20th century, the challenges of refugees and Mexican immigration, and will conclude with the rise of the anti-immigrant movement of our own time.
Thursday

The Income-Wealth Gap Between the Rich and the Rest
Instructor: Dr. Paul Burgess, Professor Emeritus
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 12
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Village Center, Skirm Auditorium
The gap between the rich and the rest has been growing during the last 20-30 years. There are many reasons, including obvious ones, such as globalization and a weak pre-K and K-12 system. This lecture and discussion focuses on the obvious and less obvious causes and consequences of America’s income and wealth inequality.

Meet The Great Bands and Their Drummers
Instructors: Dr. Michael Pfister (Feb. 26) and Dom Moio (Mar. 5)
2 sessions: Thursdays, Feb. 26, Mar. 5
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Village Center, Private Dining Room
Who were the drummers that made the bands of Louis Armstrong, Benny Goodman, Harry James, Duke Ellington, Woody Herman, Count Basie and Buddy Rich so great? Live in the era and dance in your seat as we view videos of the bands. Experience the various rhythms as our instructor plays the instruments and gives an in-depth overview of the great drummers and how they produced these popular beats.

Friday

Memoir Writing Workshop: Poetry and Prose I
This class is full, but we are offering another section in the morning from 9:30am to 11:30am: March 27, April 10, 17, 24, May 1
Instructor: Dr. Elizabeth McNeil
6 sessions: Fridays, Mar. 20, 27, Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24
noon – 2:00 p.m.
Village Center, Administrative Conference Room
This class is for participants at any level of writing experience who are interested in getting their memories down on the page. Through readings, exercises, and in-class workshops, participants will enjoy delving into their wealth of memory to learn and practice the craft of writing memoir. Instruction will be provided in both poetry memoir and prose memoir, though you are always welcome to write in the genre of your choice. New and continuing students welcome. Participants must have an email account and access to a computer and printer. Since the class is held during lunchtime, feel free to bring food and drinks. Please contact Elizabeth with questions at mcneil@asu.edu.

Romantic Comedy on Film
Instructor: Dr. Ian Moulton
4 sessions: Fridays, Feb. 13, 20, 27, Mar. 13 (no class Mar. 6)
10:30 a.m. – noon
Recreation Center
This course will survey almost a century of romantic comedy in the movies, from Charlie Chaplin to Woody Allen. Films studied will include Chaplin's 1931 classic City Lights, Cary Grant and Katharine Hepburn in Bringing Up Baby (1938), Gene Kelly's musical comedy Singin’ in the Rain (1952) and Woody Allen's Oscar-winning Annie Hall (1977). Besides studying the films' comic technique, we'll also explore the changing (and unchanging) ways they represent relations between men and women.
monday

Should Intelligent Design/Creationism Be Taught in the Science Classroom?
Instructor: Dr. Ahren Sadoff, Professor Emeritus
1 session: Monday, Feb. 23
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
The Lodge
Join us for this lecture, guaranteed to generate a lively discussion! The status of creation and evolution in public education has been the subject of substantial debate and conflict in legal, political and religious circles. Intelligent Design/Creationism challenges widely held scientific explanations about the origin of the universe. The U.S. Constitution guarantees the rights of Americans to believe the religious theories of creation, but it does not permit them to be taught in public school science classes. In order to appreciate the issues involved, Dr. Sadoff will discuss both the legal and scientific decisions relevant to the issue. One of these was decided by the Supreme Court in 1987, the other was decided in 2005 in Dover, PA. Both of these decisions will be discussed in some detail.

Writing Our Experience, Writing Our Reading
Instructor: Sally Ball
Cost $35
4 sessions: Mondays, Mar. 9, 16, 23, 30
10:30 a.m. – noon
The Lodge
This class will examine the book Wreck Me as a starting point for a conversation about both autobiography in poetry and the role played by writers, who’ve walked the path before us. We’ll also take a look at poems by William Carlos Williams, Zbigniew Herbert, and Louise Gluck and then write our own poems in response to our reading and conversations, so bring pen and paper to class.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed spending time and learning with our OLLI members while coordinating and teaching classes. Their positive attitude to lifelong learning is truly inspiring to me!”
- Mikulas “Nick” Pstross

monday/wednesday

Religion and the Internet: Spiritual Connections in the Age of Facebook and Twitter
Instructor: Dr. Pauline Hope Cheong
Cost $20
2 sessions: Monday, Mar. 2 and Wednesday, Mar. 4
10:30 a.m. – noon
The Lodge
How do we find God and connect to like-minded and spirited people in this contemporary age of digital and mobile connections? This course will discuss the social and cultural implications of newer digital media developments for the practices and understanding of contemporary religious faith. We will examine and view examples of the changing ways in which religious leaders and organizations are representing themselves online, and how that affects what we constitute religious authority and authenticity, the extent to which spiritual community ties, relationships and networks are mediated, and how newer forms of religious community are disrupting and or complementing our lives.

Tuesday

Interwar Europe: An Anxious Peace
Instructor: Dr. Robert Niebuhr
Cost $35
4 sessions: Tuesdays, Feb. 10, 17, 24, Mar. 3
10:30 a.m. – noon
The Lodge
This course examines the radical transformations in military policy, politics, and international diplomacy brought about by World War I. When the war ended in 1919, people across Europe were desperate, tired, and confused. Despite Woodrow Wilson’s idea that World War I was the “war to end all wars,” Europe once again engaged in total war a mere 20 years after the Treaty of Versailles. We will cover the period from the peace treaties until the invasion of Poland in 1939. We will focus on ideology, diplomacy, and military transformation, and examine European societies during this time.
Africa Rising: Tipping Points Toward Change  
Instructor: Dr. B. William Silcock and International Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows  
1 session: Tuesday, Feb. 17  
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.  
The Lodge  
The International Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows journalists, from the diverse African nations of Liberia, Tanzania and Uganda, will share keen insights on the challenges and opportunities of reporting the news in their nations. Priscilla Quiah is a media trainer in Liberia. Omar Mohammed is a former BBC reporter now doing business consulting work in Tanzania. Tabua Butagira is the chief news report for the Daily Monitor newspaper in Uganda. Individually they will share experiences of covering politics and people caught up in the changing dynamics of this most unique continent.

Truth-telling: Journalism Ethics in the Era of Social Media  
Instructor: Dr. B. William Silcock  
1 session: Tuesday, Feb. 24  
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
The Lodge  
We will examine how traditional journalism ethical issues of fairness, balance and objectivity are being operationalized by news organizations in the 21st century. What has been the impact of Twitter on journalism? Do news organizations automatically trust information that comes from a citizen rather than a traditional source? What impact does sharing via social media platforms of visual images have on the news? Would there have been an Arab Spring or an Umbrella Revolution without social media? Listen to a provocative discussion – the session can be tweeted!

Accompaniment: From Managing Differences to Unleashing Diversity  
Instructor: Bjorn Peterson  
1 session: Tuesday, Mar. 17  
10:30 a.m. – noon  
The Lodge  
Diversity brings up many emotions, perspectives, and reactions from people. Some of us see it as exciting; for others, it can be a disorienting experience to try and make sense of diversity. Accompaniment is a method for building intercultural relationships, which helps give structure and common language to the promise and challenge of diversity. Join Bjorn Peterson for an overview of this powerful method.

Deadly Viruses  
Instructor: Jennifer Donovan  
2 sessions: Tuesdays, Apr. 7, 14  
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.  
The Lodge  
With concerns regarding the Ebola virus and the Enterovirus (68) on the rise, this two-part lecture will include a brief description regarding the viruses’, reported history, method of replication/transmission, and techniques being considered or used to combat the deadly and debilitating health effects these viruses have been known to cause.

Wednesday

Acts of Kindness Are Not Random: A Jewish Perspective  
Instructor: Rabbi Barton G. Lee  
Cost $35  
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18, Mar. 4  
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.  
The Lodge  
This course will present the assertion that kindness should not be random but should become a habit. We will examine Jewish texts in translation and discuss what kindness might mean in situations of relationships, in business, and in dealing with illness and death. Class conversation will examine the role of “law” and of graciousness in developing a kindness habit.

The Apache Indian Tribe  
Instructor: Dr. Lou-ellen Finter, Professor Emerita  
Cost $35  
4 sessions: Wednesdays, Mar. 11, 18, Apr. 1  
10:30 – noon  
The Lodge  
Learn about the rich culture and heritage of the Apache Indian, their storytelling, artwork and music. We will look at their beliefs, usage of the land and the territory that they ranged through. Hear about the wonderful ceremony of a young girl "coming of age."

Strategic and Geopolitical Implications of Emerging Technologies  
Instructor: Dr. Braden R. Allenby  
Cost $20  
2 sessions: Wednesdays, Mar. 18, 25  
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.  
The Lodge  
To many Americans, today’s world is a confusing mess – beset on the one hand by relentless adversaries such as Russia, China, and ISIS, and on the other by changing technologies. We will consider the complexity of today’s geopolitical context through the lens of emerging technologies such as cyber, bio-designed human warriors, lethal autonomous robots, and frame scenarios that can help us not only make sense of what we read each day, but potentially take advantage of the significant inherent strengths of the American model of culture and governance.
Romanticism and Buddhism
Instructor: Dr. Mark Lussier
1 session: Thursday, Feb. 12
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
The Lodge
This class will explore the long passage of Buddhism into European consciousness and its crystallization during the age of Romanticism (c. 1750-1850). Special emphasis will be placed on Alexander Csoma de Koros, who was instrumental in the emergence of the dharma and who is now celebrated as the father of Tibetology.

Music of the Beatles
Instructor: Mike Shellans
Cost $35
4 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
The Lodge
The Beatles are still considered by many to be the best band in the history of Popular Music. We will be examining the music and lives of these “lads from Liverpool” starting with their pre-Beatles days, first meeting and formative early songwriting years, on to their initial huge British success and subsequent American invasion tours through their early studio experiments. We will focus on their psychedelic period, while examining their studio concept albums, concluding with an emphasis on individual composing styles, final recordings and post-Beatles activities. Why do The Beatles continue to sell millions of records nearly 45 years after their break-up? Let’s study and discuss this together!

Romantic Poetry
Instructor: Dr. Charity McAdams
Cost $35
4 sessions: Thursdays, Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 9, 16
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
The Lodge
Romanticism, a broad transatlantic poetic movement that encompassed the reaction to the industrial, the adoption of the gothic, the promotion of the individual, and the liberation of the unconscious, gave birth to a number of our most canonical poems to date. In this course, we will revisit the poetry of Blake and Byron, Wordsworth and Coleridge, Shelley and Keats, and transitional poets such as Poe and Tennyson, who bridged the divide between late Romanticism and a new poetic era.

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Christopher G. Berger, Ph.D., ACSM HFS, and CSCS, is an exercise physiologist and clinical assistant professor with the School of Nutrition and Health Promotion at ASU. Dr Berger writes a monthly column on physical fitness for the Arizona Republic, consults for the ASU Wrestling team, and recently developed a course on Men's Health for ASU's Barrett, the Honors College.

Borths, Joshua
Joshua Borths is the education manager at Arizona Opera. Originally from Cincinnati, Josh worked for many opera companies as a director, writer and administrator. Some of these companies include Wolf Trap Opera, Michigan Opera Theatre, Opera Memphis, The Atlanta Opera, and the Crested Butte Music Festival in Colorado. Josh holds undergraduate degrees in musicology and voice from the University of Michigan and a master's in opera production from Florida State University.

Brandt, Beverly – Emeritus College at ASU
Beverly K. Brandt, Ph.D., is a professor emerita in The Design School at ASU, where she has taught courses on design history, theory, and criticism since 1987. Her recent monograph, The Craftsman and The Critic: Defining Usefulness and Beauty in Arts and Crafts-Era Boston, was dubbed one of the “50 must-have, must-read books” on architecture and design by Canada’s International Federation of Interior Architects/Designers. An expert on the history of interior architecture, furniture, decorative arts, and textiles, Dr. Brandt also paints watercolor journals and publishes short essays and memoirs about life in Northwestern Lower Michigan. She is currently working on a series of murder mysteries, featuring Professor Ferradeen Warde, who is also a design historian.
Braun, Jay – Emeritus College at ASU
Jay Braun, Ph.D., received a doctorate in physiological psychology from Ohio State University, specializing in neuroscience and psychology. He began his career at Yale University where he studied behavioral recovery following brain damage with emphasis on sensory and memory processes. Joining ASU in 1973, his interests included studies of taste and smell as they related to brain functioning, and in the 1990s he chaired the psychology department for nine years. He has taught a wide range of courses at the interface between neuroscience and psychology and is widely published. After teaching at ASU for 30 years, Professor Braun now gives community talks and courses on the brain and nervous system.

Burgess, Paul – Emeritus College at ASU
Paul Burgess, Ph.D., received a doctorate in economics from the University of Colorado Boulder after working for Ford Motor Company. He then joined ASU where he taught and conducted research for 38 years as a professor of economics. During that time, he served as chair of the department of economics, chair of the W. P. Carey School of Business dean’s personnel advisory committee, chair of the University Chairs’ Group, and chair of the university’s Main Campus Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee. Dr. Burgess also conducted research and consulting projects for many major corporations, 17 state governments, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the National Commission on unemployment compensation. He was awarded the Joseph Becker Distinguished Career Research Achievement Award by the National Foundation for Unemployment Compensation and Workers’ Compensation, and he is widely published.

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Celestian, Stanley
Stanley Celestian has been teaching geology courses at ASU since 2005, including physical geology and natural disasters. He has also taught geology, physical science, and astronomy at Glendale Community College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and Wayland Baptist University. Stan conducted workshops in Rocks and Minerals for the Arizona Department of Mines and Mineral Resources, and was the NASA Ambassador to Jupiter and the Solar System for Arizona. He received a Master of Science in Geology (Paleontology) from NAU.

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Donovan, Jennifer
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Anthony B. Falsetti, Ph.D., received his formal education at the University of Tennessee – Knoxville. Dr. Falsetti was a postdoctoral research fellow at the State University of New York – Stony Brook. In 2010 and 2011 he was deputy director in the Forensic Sciences Department at the International Commission for Missing Persons where he oversaw the mortuary and field activities of Anthropology and Archaeology Division in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina. At the University of Florida, he was the director of the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory and an associate professor in the department of anthropology. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Anthropology, and a Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. He served as the 2000-2001 Chairman of the Physical Anthropology Section of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and served for 10 years on the Editorial Board for the Journal of Forensic Sciences. Dr. Falsetti has worked on several major mass fatality incidents including the Oklahoma City Bombing, the crash of TWA Flight 800, WTC, the Thailand Tsunami Victim Identification Phuket, Thailand, and most recently in the aftermath of Haiti’s earthquakes.

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