

KIT (Keep in Touch) Mail from OLLI at UCI

Monday, September 13, 2021

Welcome to OLLI at UCI Fall 2021!

We are so pleased to welcome new and returning members to OLLI Fall 2021!

You should have all received your Membership ID numbers. If you did not, please contact us at: olli@uci.edu

Open House for prospective members is today, Monday, September 13th. Bring a friend to learn more about OLLI at UCI!

One Enroll One \$25 Gift Certificate program provides each OLLI member an incentive to encourage their family, friends, and neighbors to become members. Our program provides a \$25 Visa/Mastercard to you for every "new" member who joins based on your referral (a new member is someone who hasn't been a member for at least 2 semesters). You will be requested to complete a One Enroll One Voucher, with the name of the new member.

We look forward to seeing new and familiar faces this week!

Warmly,

OLLI at UCI



OLLI Open House for Prospective Members Monday, September 13, 2021

10:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

15207 Barranca Pkwy Irvine, CA 92618

The OLLI Open House is an opportunity to register for classes, learn more about the Osher

Lifelong Learning Institute at UCI, join or renew membership, and much more. It is a place to make connections with people who share the love of learning. The open house provides a showcase for classes and special interest groups coming in the Fall term. RSVP to: OLLI@UCI.EDU

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Please Note: Face Coverings are required to participate in all OLLI Fall 2021 classes and Special Events Bus Trips.

If you are unable to wear a face covering, please attend class online through the **Remote Learning Center**. No one will be permitted in the OLLI classroom without a face covering per UCI guidelines.

Thank you for your understanding. We look forward to seeing you in the OLLI classroom or online!



To UN-ENROLL for in-person classes:

For members who have enrolled in in-person classes, but will be attending on Zoom only, **please call Student Services to un-enroll for in-person classes.** You will still have full access to Live Fall Classes via Zoom as well as all previously recorded classes.

Student Services 949-824-5414 (Press #1 to speak to a staff member for assistance)



FALL SEMESTER ENROLLMENT IS OPEN!

Click **here** to view our Fall Session Catalog.

Important information regarding Fall enrollment:

Enrollment for the Fall semester began August 11th.

Note on enrollment: please, ONLY ENROLL IN COURSES YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IN PERSON. Our in-person class size at the Irvine Transportation Center is limited to 75 members. Enroll in a course ONLY if you will physically be in the classroom. DO NOT ENROLL if you plan to attend online. Only members who have enrolled will be admitted to the classroom.

We look forward to the launch of our hybrid learning offering this Fall. Each course has a format:

A: Classroom only (presenter & audience attend in person)

B: Presenter attends in person; audience attends either in person or via Zoom

C: Presenter attends via Zoom; audience attends either in person or via Zoom

D: Presenter and audience attend via Zoom

All Current members (members who have paid their Annual or Fall membership fee) will continue to have access to the real-time, live feed from the classroom via the OLLI Remote Learning Center (Zoom) for B, C, and D categorized courses. Most of our courses are B, C & D. In addition, all Current members will continue to have access to our extensive library of over 500 recordings.

Best,

Board of Directors
OLLI at UCI

Send a free OLLI catalog to a friend.

Click here if you would like to mail a free OLLI catalog to a friend.

Welcome new and returning members!

If you do not yet have an account for the Remote Learning Center, we recommend that you create your account - PRIOR - to the day of your class.

New Fall Members

To view your online classes, you will need to create an account for the Remote Learning Center. If you need to create an account, follow the instructions under 'Need Assistance' below.

Returning Members

If you already created an account for the Remote Learning Center, you can use the same log in and password. If you need to create an account, follow the instructions under 'Need Assistance' below.

Need Assistance?

Click <u>here</u> for links to helpful videos and instructions on how to create an account for the Remote Learning Center and How to Use the Remote Learning Center.

OLLI New Member Orientation Thursday, September 23, 2021

10:30 - 12:00 Noon

Welcome to OLLI! Our New Member Orientation is a time to get acquainted with the OLLI classroom, facilitators, and other OLLI members. We look forward to meeting you! RSVP to: **OLLI@UCI.EDU**



Weekly Schedule of Classes

Important Class Notices

Due to the change in hybrid format for the upcoming Fall semester, all OLLI members will be updated with class changes by both email and KIT Mail. Any class handouts will be attached to future KIT Mails.

For any further questions, please email: olli@uci.edu.

SS 301 Class format A Current Issues Forum Wednesday, Sept 15 1:00pm - 3:00pm

First Hour - Is There Such a Thing as Too Much Democracy? The first Current Issues meeting of the fall will be held the afternoon after the California gubernatorial recall election. We may or may not know the outcome of the vote by class time, but there will still be plenty of things to discuss about how "direct democracy" such as the recall and initiatives play out in the era of social media saturation and hyper-targeted political messages.

California is among the enthusiastic users of direct democracy, with over 1200 citizen initiatives placed on the ballot in the 110 years since the provisions were added to the State constitution. Is it time for a re-write of these laws, should they be scrapped, or are they a valuable tool for holding politicians accountable to the will of the people?

Second Hour - Potpourri!

Open discussion of issues you care about, such as:

- 1. In today's highly partisan times, can we have a functional government?
- 2. What will be the impact of our withdrawal from Afghanistan?
- 3. Anything else, time permitted!

Presenters/Discussion Moderators/Developers: Bob Greenberg, Alvin Glasky, Bob Brown, Susan Fouts, Margie Drilling, Mel Roth, Mitch Samuelson, Katherine Jones, and Mary Lou Sortais

SS 303 Class format A

EUROPEAN HISTORY SERIES: The Dawn of Civilization Mesopotamia - Sumerian, Babylonian, and Assyrian Friday, Sept 17 10:00am - 12:00pm

Formerly this series traced the development of European civilization from the 14th century to the present. Now it is time to start at the beginning. The new course will focus on the dawning of Ancient Civilizations with an examination on the histories and societies of ancient Mesopotamia and Egypt.

Presenter: Rainer Feldt, taught European history at Saddleback College for 16 years and is a favorite OLLI presenter.

Special Events

RSVP Now



SOFI Stadium Tour
Thursday, October 21, 2021
Departs from ITC at 9:00am;
Returning to ITC at 2:30pm

We are going on a private tour of the \$ 2 Billion

+ SOFI Stadium, the newest NFL stadium, in Inglewood! An incredible architectural addition to LA for football, graduations, concerts, etc. See how it's all put together. There's a one hour private tour, plus locker rooms, on the field, NFL shop, etc. Lunch is on our own at the stadium concessions.

Price: Price is still being determined.(expected to be <\$80); Lunch on your own at the stadium; NFL merchandise shop.

Registration: Not yet available. Please contact facilitator to RSVP and to gauge interest.

Facilitator: Joan Lutz; joanl@earthlink.net, 714-928-6610

Minimum: 30 (Please note: We must have a minimum of 30 or the event will

be cancelled.)



Immersive Van Gogh
Wednesday, November 3, 2021
Departs from ITC at 8:30am;
Returning to ITC at 3:30pm

Imagine being surrounded by the glory of Van

Gogh's paintings as you experience this world famous multi-media event. The walls, ceilings and floor of the huge venue are covered with Van Gogh's art accompanied by classical music. As you stroll thorough the space, you will feel

as if you have stepped inside the paintings.

Price: \$90.00 (admission and bus) Lunch is on your own at the Farmer's

Market

Facilitator: Joan Lutz; joanl@earthlink.net, 714-928-6610 Registration: Begins August 11th on the OLLI UCI site.

Maximum: 55

OLLI EXTRAS & MISC. NEWS:

Mah Jongg

Mah Jongg, will be cancelled until further notice.

For more information, contact Carolyn Brothers at: cbdancer@aol.com

Volunteers Needed

Enrich your member experience by developing and strengthening social ties!

Join our community of volunteers and connect with like-minded individuals who love to learn. We offer a range of volunteer opportunities; one of these might just be a perfect fit for you! Interested or just want to learn more about our volunteer opportunities? Click here or call 949-451-1403 or email us at oli@uci.edu.



Library Volunteer Needed

Do you have a love of books and library science? OLLI is looking for a permanent volunteer librarian. Could this be you?

Contact Steve Weinstein, OLLI Librarian at: heschaguy@msn.com

Looking to be an even bigger part of OLLI at UCI?

Join the OLLI Board and getone semester membership for FREE when you commit to two years of service.



Vacant Positions:

- Director/Volunteer Coordination
- · VP/Member Services

Please email: <u>olli@uci.edu</u> if you feel your gifts and talents could benefit our OLLI community!

Curriculum Committee Meeting Schedule

You're invited to meet our curriculum chairs and course developers to audit how OLLI members like yourselves develop the courses you love. *Email the appropriate committee person to join the Zoom meeting.*

September 2021 Committee Meeting Schedule

Arts & Humanities Committee

Email Beth Mersch at beth.mersch@gmail.com.

Finance Committee

Email Sherri Nussbaum at sherrilynn@audiblerush.com
Monday, September 20 (12 PM)

Click <u>here</u> to join Zoom meeting. Meeting ID: 936 3476 7503

Password: finance

STEM Committee

Email Marj Besemer at mlbesemer@cox.net.

Friday, September 17 (10 AM)

Special Events Committee

Email Linda Vine at vines1219@gmail.com.

Monday, September 6 (1:30 PM)

Social Science Committee

Email Mel Roth at melroth721@gmail.com
Thursday, September 9 (12:15PM)



Upcoming Facilitator Training October 6 at 1:00pm

Please RSVP with Carolyn Brothers at - **cbdancer@aol.com**.



Connect with Your OLLI Friends Through Our Facebook Group!

Join our members-only Facebook group where we can virtually

connect to talk about books, movies, recipes, hobbies and more!

Simply reply to this e-mail to let us know if you want to join, and we will send you an invitation!

CONTACTING US

OLLI Office Hours: 9:00am - 4:00pm

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