

KIT (Keep in Touch) Mail from OLLI at UCI

Monday, February 14, 2022

Happy Valentine's Day!

We're excited to begin our SPRING 2022 semester!

Due to the new vaccination mandate, please plan to come 15-20 minutes early to your first class in order for



facilitators to verify your COVID-19 vaccination information and to receive your OLLI Membership Cards. Please see all UCI information below regarding vaccination and mask mandates which will continue at OLLI.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone in class or online!

Warmly,

OLLI at UCI

FANTASTIC FEEDBACK FROM OLLI MEMBERS!







A recap of some of the thought provoking and enlightening**Social Science** class lectures that are worth going back to the OLLI Remote Learning Center to watch again from this past FALL 2021 semester!

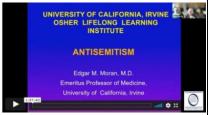
To watch the recording, go to your **OLLI Remote Learning Center**, <u>here</u>, and use the search bar to look up the title of these course:

- SS 302: Gems in the Desert: Inside Egyptian Archeology by presenter, Dr. Kate Liszka
 - "She was wonderful so enthusiastic and informative. Bring her back!"

- SS 303: European History Series by presenter, Rainer Feldt.
 - "Thank you for the course. I toured Egypt, and it was great to learn how it all fit in."
- SS 304: Journey to the Beyond by presenter, Bryan Kraemer.
 - "Excellent presentation by a very knowledgeable individual. This is what is so great about OLL!!"
- SS 305: The Renaissance: An Integrative Review of Paintings and Sculptures by presenter, Edgar Moran.
 - "Dr. Moran gives an excellent overview of all the Renaissance Art and the history of the time. It is obvious he loves this art and has a passion for this time. Feel so priviledged to have heard him. Thank you so much!!"
- SS 306: Anti-Semitism: Causes and Impacts by presenter, Edgar Moran.
 - "I have learned so much! Great ideas to think about."







UC IRVINE: COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY & FACE COVERING COMPLIANCE



UC IRVINE FACE COVERING GUIDANCE

David M. Souleles, the Director, COVID-19 Response Team, sent a notice to the UCI campus on February 10, 2022 in regards to the state of CA lifting the mandate for fully vaccinated

persons to mask indoors. His letter reads:

"Beginning February 16th, this updated state guidance will require indoor masking only for unvaccinated individuals, as well as universal masking (both vaccinated and unvaccinated) only in specified settings outlined in the guidance.

"While this is a positive step acknowledging the decreasing COVID-19 case counts and positivity rates, UCI's <u>executive directive on face coverings</u> will continue to <u>remain in place beyond February 15th</u> This means that universal masking is required in all indoor settings while on UCI property, for all students, staff, faculty and visitors.

To read full letter, click here.

OLLI at UCI COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

In the presence of continuing COVID-19 infection risks to its members (and guests), and in accordance with the policies of UC Irvine, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UCI (OLLI) will request members to voluntarily provide their



vaccination status, including required booster – being mindful that members present in the classroom desire to be as safe from infection transmission as possible. OLLI will be asking members to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination at the first class meeting a member attends as well as cover their face with a mask. Please see approved UCI face coverings below, or click here to read Chancellor Howard Gillman's Executive Directive regarding face covering.

If a member (or guest) is not vaccinated, OLLI will request they attend class online.

To view UC Irvine's Vaccination Policy, click here.



Face covering required.

All persons, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a face covering indoors.





Do you need a face cover?



FACE COVERING COMPLIANCE

No matter what kind of face covering you wear for COVID-19 protection, checi the fit and eliminate gaps above the nose or on the sides. Gaps will significantly reduce the effectiveness of any face covering.

COMPLIANT	N95 Respirator Voluntary-Use	N95
COMPLIANT	KN95 Face Covering	
COMPLIANT	Surgical Face Covering	
COMPLIANT	Fabric face covering with multiple layers	
NOT COMPLIANT	Fabric face covering with single layer	
NOT COMPLIANT	Face Coverings with vents	

For more information about face coverings, email ${\bf safety@uci.edu}$





Upcoming Facilitator Training

- Interested in volunteering within our OLLI at UCI community?
- Enjoy OLLI classes and want to help facilitate?
- Contact Carolyn Brothers and come to our upcoming Facilitator Training Sessions by emailing her at: <u>cbdancer@aol.com</u>.



- Monday, February 14 (10:00am 11:30am)
- Wednesday, February 16 (10:00am 11:30am)



OLLI REMOTE LEARNING CENTER (ORLC)

New Spring Members

To view online classes, you will need to create an account for the <u>ORLC</u>. If you did not receive your OLLI Membership ID, please email: <u>olli@uci.edu</u>.

Returning Members

If you already created an account for the <u>ORLC</u>, you can use the same log in and video password that you created.

Need Assistance?

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



Upcoming Classes

CLASS FORMAT LEGEND:

A: Classroom ONLY (Presenter and Audience attend in person)

B: Hybrid with Presenter in person (Audience attend in person or via Zoom)

C: Hybrid with Presenter remote (Audience attend in person or via Zoom)

D: Zoom ONLY (Presenter and Audience attend via Zoom)

Calendar at a Glance

Monday 2/14	Tuesday 2/15	Wednesday 2/16	Thursday 2/17	Friday 2/18	
10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM SS 301	10:00 AM SS303	
1:00 PM AH 101 (Closed)	1:00 PM AH 102 (Closed)	1:30 PM SC 214	1:00 PM SS302	1:00 PM	

Class Descriptions

AH 101
Format A
INTERNATIONAL SHORT STORIES:
Contemporary Short Stories
(Closed)
Monday, February 14
1:00pm - 3:00pm

This six-session class is an interactive adventure in reading and discussing works by acclaimed short story writers from around the world. Class volunteers select a story from the text or PDF from the internet, develop questions and lead the discussion.

The textbook is One World: A Global Anthology of Short Stories, published in May 2009, and available in paper and Kindle, at Amazon.com. "All belong to

one world, united in their diversity and ethnicity. And together they have one aim: to involve and move the reader."

Note: Enrollment limited to 20.

Discussion Leader/ Developer: Gail Rothman, experienced book group leader

AH 102 Format A WE'LL ALWAYS HAVE PARIS (Closed) Tuesday, February 15 1:00pm - 3:00pm

In this "limited edition" book group, we'll explore Paris in three different eras through historical fiction.

February 15: The Lady and the Unicorn, by Tracy Chevalier. The imagined backstory of one of the masterpieces of European medieval art.

Presenter/ Developer: Susan Fouts, OLLI member.

SC 214 Format B THAILAND CAVE RESCUE Wednesday, February 16 1:30pm - 3:30pm

In June 2018, a sudden monsoon swept into northern Thailand, flooding the underground passages of the Tham Luang Cave and trapping 12 children and their soccer coach deep underground. The world watched transfixed for weeks as rescuers located the boys, brought them supplies and engineered a way to bring them to safety. National Geographic documentary The Rescue tells the riveting story of how the Royal Thai Navy SEALs, a U.S. Air Force Special Tactics team, and an international crew of expert cave divers collaborated on this perilous and extraordinary rescue. We will watch this feature-length film together, followed by a brief Q&A.

Film Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_-Kw5kAPSbk Recommended reading: Aquanaut: The Inside Story of the Thai Cave Rescue by Rick Stanton

Presenter/Developer: Michal Peri, Ph.D., OLLI STEM Committee

SS301
Format B
NEWSPAPER REPORTING

BEFORE THE INTERNET Thursday, February 17 10:00Am - 12:00pm

The dramatic decline of the daily newspaper (with the exception of the major dailies) has created a new media landscape of instant news, "fake news" and commentary versus just reporting the facts. This course looks back at the golden years of newspapers, particularly those of the presenters from the 1970s into the early 1990s, when the facts really mattered in news stories. Examples, anecdotes and reminiscing will be part of the discussion.

Presenters: Cathy Lawhon, former editor at the Orange County Register, former Senior Director of Media Relations & Publications for UC Irvine. Craig Reem, a former newspaper reporter and magazine editor, former Director of Public Affairs and Communications for the City of Irvine.

Developer: Craig Reem

SS302 Format A CURRENT ISSUES FORUM Thursday, February 17 1:00pm - 3:00pm

This course is a lively participatory group discussion of issues that are of current interest and will sometimes be controversial. It meets once a month to discuss current political, economic, and social developments taking place locally, nationally and around the world. Attendees are expected to engage in the discussion and share different perspectives. Registered students will receive notice of the current topic one week before the meeting. Classes will be in classroom only with no recording.

Presenters/ Discussion Moderators/ Developers: Bob Greenberg, Susan Fouts, Margie Drilling, Mel Roth, Mitch Samuelson, and Katherine Jones.

SS303 Format C CAN AMERICAN DEMOCRACY SURVIVE? Friday, February 18 10:00am - 12:00pm

What can be done consistent with the First Amendment to ensure the American voters can make informed election decisions and hold free elections amid a flood of virally spread disinformation? Dr. Hasen's piercing insight into the current debates over free speech, censorship and Big Tech's responsibilities will light the way. In an era when quack treatments and bizarre theories gain credibility, he explains how to assure both freedom of ideas and

a commitment to the truth.

Presenter: Dr. Richard L. Hasen, Chancellor's Professor of Law and Political Science at UCI, CNN Election Law Analyst, Co-Director of the Fair Elections and Free Speech Center, author of the forthcoming book, Cheap Speech, How Disinformation Poisons our Politics and How to Cure it.



Class CANCELLED
(To Be Rescheduled)
SC 201
ALL ABOUT RATS
Wednesday, Feb. 16
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Due to a special class lecture opening up for SPRING 2022, SC 201 All About Rats has been cancelled, but will be rescheduled. Please look for rescheduled date in next weeks KIT Mail.

We are excited for the opportunity to welcome an amazing opportunity for our OLLI members with the addition of the Thailand Cave Rescue. Please see class details below.

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.*

February 2022 Committee Meeting Schedule:

Arts & Humanities Committee

Email Beth Mersch at beth.mersch@gmail.com
Tuesday, February 8 (4 PM)

Special Events Committee

Email Linda Vine at

vines1219@gmail.com

Monday, February 28 (1 PM)
Location: OLLI Classroom

Finance Committee

Email Sherri Nussbaum at

sherrilynn@audiblerush.com

Monday, February 21 (12 PM)

Click <u>here</u> to join Zoom meeting.

Meeting ID: 936 3476 7503

Password: finance

Marketing Committee

Email Linda Robinson at

robinson.linda@ymail.com

Thursday, February 17 (3:15 PM)

Social Science Committee

Email Mel Roth at

melroth721@gmail.com

Thursday, February 3 (4 PM)

STEM Committee

Email Marj Besemer at

mlbesemer@cox.net

Wednesday, February 2 (10 AM)

Wednesday, February 16 (10 AM)

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