



at University of California, Irvine

KIT (Keep in Touch) Mail from OLLI at UCI

Monday, February 28, 2022

Greetings OLLI at UCI Members!

We have a wonderful week ahead with some truly fantastic classes.

Please remember to bring proof of COVID-19 vaccinations and booster to your first in-person class or special event and allow yourself to come 20 minutes early for facilitators to process vaccine checks and hand out membership cards.



We look forward to learning with you this week! Stay curious!

Warmly,

OLLI at UCI

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 [executive directive on face coverings](#) will

continue to **remain in place beyond February 15th**. 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](#).

David M. Souleles

Director, COVID-19 Response Team

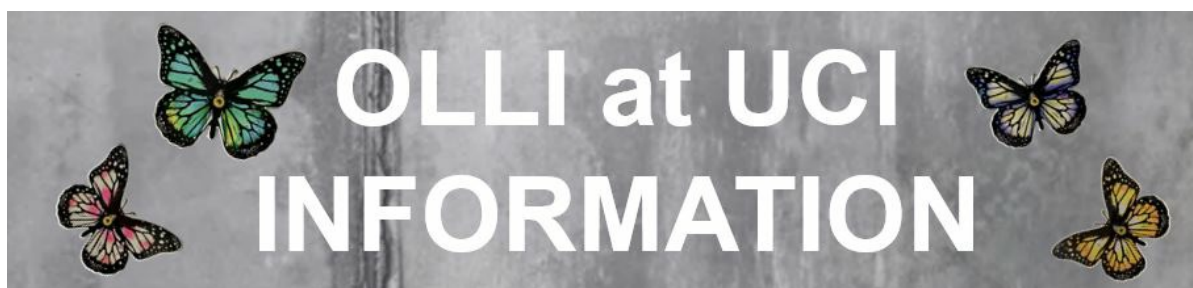
OLLI at UCI COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT



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](#).



OLLI REMOTE LEARNING CENTER (ORLC)

New Spring Members

To view online classes, you will need to create an account for the [ORLC](#). If you have not received your OLLI Membership ID, please email: olli@uci.edu.

Returning Members

If you already created an account for the [ORLC](#), you can use the same log in and video password that you created. If you have forgotten your password, the office can reset it, by emailing: olli@uci.edu.

Need Assistance?

Click [here](#) 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 2/28 | Tuesday 3/1 | Wednesday 3/2 | Thursday 3/3 | Friday 3/4 |
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| <u>10:00 AM</u> SS 304 Format B | <u>10:00 AM</u> AH 105 Format B | <u>10:00 AM</u> SS 306 Format B | <u>10:00 AM</u> SS 307 Format C | <u>10:00 AM</u> AH106 Format A |
| | <u>10:00 AM</u> SE 403 (Closed) | | | |
| <u>1:00 PM</u> AH 101 Format A (Closed) | <u>1:00 PM</u> SS 305 Format B | <u>1:00 PM</u> | <u>12:30 PM</u> SE 401 (Rescheduled to April 7) | <u>1:00 PM</u> |

Class Descriptions

SS 304

Format B

**THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION:
A Non-Partisan One Year Review/
Anticipating the 2022 Midterm Elections**

Monday, February 28

10:00am - 12:00pm

This class will examine the goals, accomplishments and failures of the first year of the Biden administration with an eye to two broad questions: What insights does the first year of the Biden administration offer to assess the health of the Constitutional system and of American democracy? How do the accomplishments and failures of Biden's first year position the Democrats and Republicans for the 2022 midterm elections?

The first class will focus primarily on an assessment of the first year of Biden's presidency and the second will focus on the midterms.

Presenter: Louis Desipio, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science at UCI.

AH 101

Format A

**INTERNATIONAL SHORT STORIES:
Contemporary Short Stories
(Closed)**

Monday, February 28

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.

Note: Enrollment limited to 20.

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

AH 105

Format B

**GREAT WOMEN ARTISTS OF THE
19TH & 20TH CENTURY**

Tuesday, March 1

10:00am - 12:00pm

The beautiful imagery illuminating this insightful presentation demonstrates how each of these charismatic artists contributed powerful formal and thematic values to the history of art beginning in the 19th C and moving into the 20th C. Audiences will savor the intimate domestic world of Berthe Morisot, the brooding power of Louise Nevelson, the organic stylization of Lee Krasner, the elemental eloquence of British sculptor Barbara Hepworth, and the monumental paintings of Joan Mitchell.

Presenter: Dr. William Havlicek, Ph.D., is a noted author, educator and artist.

SE 403
PLANET 13: In the Weeds
(Closed)
Tuesday, March 1
10:00am - 11:30am

Our visit to the largest cannabis dispensary in California will give you the straight scoop in a comfortable environment by knowledgeable staff. The recently opened, Planet 13 operates the largest outlet of cannabis products in California including recreational, infused and extract products at competitive prices with an invaluable education about the industry. More than a dispensary, a giant LED-glowing waterfall playing constantly greets you outside followed by a huge moving octopus and other eye-popping displays inside makes this a both fun and learning experience.

Developer: Sherri Nussbaum, 949-636-0617, sherrilynn@cox.net

SS 305
Format B
INCIDENCES IN THE LIFE OF COFFEE
Tuesday, March 1
1:00pm - 3:00pm

This brief overview of the world of coffee looks at both the nature of coffee itself and its interactions with world history in two 2-hour classes.

March 1: We will investigate what is coffee? Where and when did it originate and why did it become a drink with that name? Discover the link between coffee, religion, and the emergence of coffeehouses in Ethiopia and the Middle East.

March 8: We jump to Europe and the Americas to think about coffee's relationship to the Enlightenment, revolution, colonialism, slavery, and the Industrial Revolution. The final hour will discuss global coffee today.

Presenter: Steven Topik, Ph.D. Professor of History at UCI.

SS 306
Format B
ARE WE READY FOR THE NEXT ONE?
Wednesday, March 2
1:00pm - 3:00pm

The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated the severe effect biological threats have on the health and economic well-being of society. There is much to learn to improve our capability to respond to future pandemics. We have made heroic efforts to advance our technology and surveillance capacity, but we need holistic strategies and a systems approach that will better our global health security. In this two-session course we will review our COVID-19 successes and failures, explore approaches to achieving meaningful structural and behavioral change, and discuss why public health should be at the forefront of all policies.

Presenter: Bernadette Boden-Albala, Professor and Founding Dean, Program in Public Health, at UCI.

SS 307
Format C
**HISTORY AND WORLD EFFECT
OF MEXICAN CUISINE**
Thursday, March 3
10:00am - 12:00pm

A unique opportunity to listen to an expert and world-renowned lecturer on Mexican and Latin American culture. Learn the effect of Mexican Cuisine and how the Spanish explorers marveled at the variety of Aztec and Mayan foods. For the first time they saw tomatoes, spices, chocolate and vanilla which had a dramatic shift in cooking throughout Europe and all over the world.

Join us for lunch featuring these foods at Taco Rosa after the Zoom presented class! Register separately for the restaurant lunch under Special Events and Trips section of this catalog. (Lunch **RESCHEDULED to April 7th.**)

Presenter: Gregorio Luke, former Director Museum of Latin American Art, Consul of Cultural Affairs in Los Angeles

SE 401
RESCHEDULED to APRIL 7
MEXICAN CUISINE LUNCH
Thursday, March 3
1:00pm - 3:00pm

Savor tantalizing tastes and smells at Irvine's Taco Rosa restaurant. Its

innovative take on classic Mexican dishes promises a culinary adventure at our family style, set menu lunch. Ancestral roots of Aztec, Mayan and Spanish heritage fuse with today's flavors and ingredients creating authentic food in a contemporary setting plus, as a special treat, a chef will demonstrate unique cooking techniques and pungent spices that have survived through the centuries. This special event complements OLLI class History of Mexican Cuisine (SS 307).

Developer: Carolina Tercero, carolina10@cox.net

AH 106
Format A
THE ART OF CLOWNING
Friday, March 4
10:00am - 12:00pm

Eli Simon has authored three books on Clowning. His original clown troupe, CLOWNZILLA, received rave reviews in California, Korea, and Italy. He specializes in Shakespearean productions, clowning, and original masked performances. He will show his techniques for introducing student actors to their "inner child" to discover their unique clown personas.

Presenter: Eli Simon, Chancellor's Professor of Acting in the UCI Department of Drama and Founder/Director of New Swan Shakespeare Festival.



Important Class Notices

SE 401
RESCHEDULED to APRIL 7
MEXICAN CUISINE LUNCH
Thursday, March 3
1:00pm - 3:00pm

This special event has been rescheduled to April 7, all enrolled members and guests were notified via email. Please contact the event developer for questions.

Developer: Carolina Tercero, carolina10@cox.net

Special Event CANCELLED

Will be Rescheduled for FALL 2022

SE 404 & SE 405

**UCI Institute and Museum of California Art -
The Irvine Collection**

Friday, April 15

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

This event has been cancelled. The building where the gallery is located is being renovated and the museum will be closed until late June. The fee paid for the event will be refunded by UCI.

~Your Special Events Committee

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)

Finance Committee

Email Sherri Nussbaum at

sherrilynn@audiblerush.com

Monday, February 21 (12 PM)

Click [here](#) 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)

Special Events Committee

Email Linda Vine at

vines1219@gmail.com

Monday, February 28 (1 PM)

Location: OLLI Classroom

Social Science Committee

Email Mel Roth at

melroth721@gmail.com

Thursday, February 3 (4 PM)

STEM Committee

Email Marj Besemer at

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Wednesday, February 2 (10 AM)

Wednesday, February 16 (10 AM)

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