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Fall Registration Is Open

Registration is now OPEN on the OLLI website for the **fall semester (September 19-December 2)**. Classes are offered online, in-person, and hybrid. In the catalog, each course description lists the format. When registering for a hybrid class, you must select whether you want to attend in-person (Hybrid In-Person) or by Zoom (Hybrid Zoom). List both formats if the class is a priority and you are willing to attend either format. You can prioritize up to 12 classes for the lottery. As always, the lottery will then assign you to up to three classes. The membership fee (\$300 for the semester or \$550 for both fall and spring) allows you to register for three study groups before the lottery and then add a fourth after you receive your registration confirmation letter. To add a fourth class, you no longer need to contact the office—simply log into your account on the website.

The **fall lottery is September 6**. Be sure to **register by 8:00 AM on September 6** for the best chance of getting into your preferred study groups. [View classes and register for the fall semester.](#)

Print Catalog

OLLI's much-awaited fall catalog is at the printer and will be mailed by the end of July. Look for your copy in early August.

Volunteer as an SGR!

OLLI is excited to once again have a Study Group Rep (SGR) assigned to each class in the fall, no matter the format (in-person, online, or hybrid). As you register for the fall semester, please consider volunteering to serve as SGR for one (or more!) of your study groups. SGRs play an important role in helping to ensure each study group runs smoothly.

Duties vary slightly depending on the study group's format, but generally include:

- Making announcements of OLLI news, weekly lectures, and upcoming events;
- Taking attendance (in-person classes) by making sure members place a check by their name on attendance sheet;
- Collecting money from class members (as applicable) for any copied materials fee;
- Informing the office of problems in the classroom, including heating/AC, lighting, and sound; and
- Reminding class members of the feedback form and online SGL gifts at the end of the session

If you're interested in serving as SGR for one or more of your fall study groups, please select "SGR" in the pop-up menu of volunteer roles when registering online.

Recorded Classes

Most online classes during the July Shorts are being recorded. One of the benefits of taking classes during a particular session is access to all class recordings for that session. [July Shorts recordings](#) are listed under "Shorts" on the OLLI website. Each day's recordings are added to the website by 5:00 PM. You must first log into your member account in order to view the recordings. Recordings are available for viewing up until two weeks past the end of each session.

July Shorts Feedback and SGL Gifts

Feedback

Please take a few minutes to complete the anonymous [feedback form](#) for each of your Shorts courses. Your feedback helps us know what you think about the classes that are being offered, but most importantly, it serves as a reward for the time, effort, knowledge, and talent that our volunteer Study Group Leaders put into their classes. Your feedback encourages SGLs to keep up the great job they're doing or to make changes, when necessary. Feedback will be open through **Friday, July 22.**

SGL Gifts

All of OLLI's Study Group Leaders are volunteers. Each academic session, we invite members to give them a gift in honor of all of the work they do to prepare and deliver their courses. This is completely voluntary on our members' behalf.

Gifts can be made online on the [OLLI website](#) after logging in. **Then go to “Give” in the heading across the top of the page and then to “SGL Gifts.” You must log in to see the gift form.** Members can give gifts to all of their Study Group Leaders this way in a single form and with a single credit card transaction. Gifts can also be given by mailing a check to OLLI. The OLLI office will collect all gifts, write a check to each SGL, and mail the check with any notes from members to the SGL(s). Members may give a gift to July Shorts SGL(s) through **Friday, July 22.**

Staff Working Remotely

The OLLI staff will be working remotely starting this Monday, July 18, through the end of August. We will be reachable by email and the office phone.

A Virtual Tour of Old Town Alexandria

Wednesday, August 3

10:00-11:00 AM

Online via Zoom

Tour Guide: OLLI's Tammy Belden

Alexandria has ties to so many of the famous events in our nation's history, including the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the French and Indian War, the Civil War, and even World War II. Our founding fathers conducted business and met socially there; Robert E. Lee spent part of his boyhood there; and the list goes on. Many of you may know that the area now known as Old Town was originally part of the District of Columbia, but did you know that Shuter's Hill, where the George Washington Masonic Memorial is today, was once considered as a site for the U.S. Capitol? We will learn this and much more about this fascinating place on Wednesday, August 3 at 10:00 AM. We hope you will join us for an interesting and fun time!

Zoom links will be emailed to members the morning of the tour.

Summer Happy Hour



This past Wednesday evening, we hosted a happy hour at Pizzeria Paradiso in Spring Valley. It was a pleasure to catch up with our members over some wine, beer, and pizza! Social events such as these are a great way for the OLLI community to come together. We extend our gratitude to Social Chair, Jeff Porter, for organizing the event, and we hope to see you all around OLLI soon.



American University News & Events

AU Museum

Summer Schedule

Open: June 11-August 7

Friday-Sunday only, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Reservations are not required for your visit. Admission is always free. Regarding groups and any questions about your visit, email museum@american.edu. Access the museum [online](#).

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