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Holiday Office Closure

The OLLI office will be closed on Labor Day, **Monday, September 5**, and will shut down today at noon. We will return to the office Tuesday, September 6.

Fall Semester Information

Registration

Registration is OPEN on the OLLI website for the **fall semester (September 19-December 2)**. The semester membership fee is \$300. **However, each fall, members have the option to receive a discount and pay \$550 for both the fall and spring semester.** The membership fee allows you to register for three study groups before the lottery and then add a fourth after you receive your registration confirmation letter.

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, which will then assign you to up to three classes. To add a fourth class after the lottery, you no longer need to contact the office—simply log into your account on the website.

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

Catalog Changes

Below are changes made to classes after the catalog went to print. Class changes are also available on the [fall catalog changes](#) page of the OLLI website and are updated there as they occur.

110 Contemporary Issues in Law, Government, and Policy: This study group is now ONLINE.

171 Current Events and Public Policy I: This study group is now ONLINE.

185 What Is Rural?: This study group is now ONLINE.

292 How to Live Healthier and Happier in Retirement: CANCELLED

530 War Songs of the 20th Century: This study group is now ONLINE.

615 Deutsch fuer Fortgeschrittene: Now starts on Tuesday, October 18

626 Poetry Craftshop: We Are Made of Circles and Rectangles: This study group is now ONLINE.

688 Shakespeare in Performance: The Scottish Play: CANCELLED

697 Star Crossed: Tragic Tales of Love From Around the World: This study group is now ONLINE.

764: The "Eastern Question": Then and Now: CANCELLED

841 The Philosophy of Science: CANCELLED

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 the 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 after selecting your classes online.

Hear Guest Speakers from AU's School of Public Affairs

This semester we have a special offering from American University's School of Public Affairs: *110 Contemporary Issues in Law, Government, and Policy*, **which is now being offered online**. SPA professors will speak on topics such as: The Reproductive Rights Landscape in 2022 and Beyond; Police Reform in America: Re-Envisioning the Relationship Between the Community and the Police; Role of Rulemaking by Agencies in the Making of Law and Policy; The Clean Energy Transition: Policies and Politics for a Zero-Carbon World, and more. [View more information and register](#).

Fall Books

As usual, OLLI is working with Politics and Prose for books this fall. To purchase books for classes, members can do any of the following:

- Order from their [website](#)
- Call (202)-364-1919 to order over the phone
- Visit Politics and Prose in person at 5015 Connecticut Ave NW

If purchasing books via their website, mention in the notes field that the book is for an OLLI course. Their web orders team will apply the 10% discount to your credit card when it's officially processed. If you call or shop in person, mention the discount when paying. Politics and Prose encourages online orders over phone orders, as the phone lines can have long wait times. Another source for supporting independent bookstores is www.indiebound.org, which lists all independent bookstores by zip code.

Books not available at Politics and Prose:

- **631** Understanding Families Through Plays: *Bad Dog*
- **645** Contemporary Jewish Short Stories in Context: *Three Floors Up*
- **690** Two Trollopes: Anthony and Joanna: *The Rector's Wife* and *The Choir*
- **861** Classical Chinese Philosophy: *The Book of Master Mo*

Books only available on Amazon:

- **480** The Ups and Downs of Weather: *The Ups and Downs of Weather*

Books available as pay-to-order only (and do not qualify for the 10% discount):

- **200** The Neuroscience of Conflict: *Making Peace with Conflict: Using Neuroscience to Ease Difficult Relationships*
- **589** American 20th-Century Furniture: *American Furniture: 1650 to the Present* and *American Furniture Designers: 1900-2020*
- **600** Intermediate Italian: *Intermediate Italian Short Stories*
- **631** Understanding Families Through Plays: *Stick Fly*
- **640** How to Read a Poem: *How to Read a Poem*
- **834** Mastering Skills of Mindfulness Meditation: Intermediate Level: *Glimpses of Being: A Training Course in Expanding Mindful Awareness*
- **841** The Philosophy of Science: *Theory and Reality: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Science, 2nd Edition*

Other books that do not qualify for the 10% discount:

- **120** Mark Twain on Our Fragile Democracy: *Mark Twain's Ten Lessons for a Healthy Democracy*

Fall Semester Open House

Tuesday, September 13

10:00 AM

Hybrid format

Join us for OLLI's Fall Open House and hear from Dave Hensler, Board Chair and Tony Long, Executive Director. Catch up with OLLI friends, welcome new members, and ask questions. The meeting format will be hybrid (members both in-person and online) and will take place in Room A on the first floor. In-person attendees will be required to wear a mask at all times. You do not need to register to attend this event in either format. The Zoom link will be sent to all members the morning of the Open House.

Fall Music-Theatre Group

Alliance for New Music-Theatre is pleased to announce that they are re-launching their “Live & About” series in collaboration with OLLI at AU for this special outreach and community engagement series.

As in past years, there will be the choice of midweek evening shows or weekend matinees for each outing. They have put together a very energetic and eclectic program for this fall season with outings to four different productions in the DC area and introducing our group to new hosting theatre venues. The first session of the group will be in a classroom at OLLI.

[View more information and register.](#)

Staff Returning to the Office

The OLLI staff will return to the office full-time on **Tuesday, September 6.**

Forum on Diversity of State Energy Policies

GPS Forum on Diversity of State Energy Policies

Wednesday, September 14

4:00-5:30 PM

[Zoom Link](#)

Will Biden's climate program succeed? That depends in large part on implementation, which is in the hands of states and cities with very diverse agendas. You are invited to a GPS forum, **Diversity of State Energy Policies**, where experts explore in depth three very different cases. The forum will be on September 14 at 4:00-5:30PM (EST). We hope you will join the forum and spread the word to others to join as well. No registration is required.

[View detailed information.](#)

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