



# OLLI

at GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

# Living Well and Learning Every Day

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at George Mason University is a rich and rewarding membership program where active adults enjoy stimulating intellectual, social, and cultural experiences including college-level courses and special events.



“Education is one of our most important allies in keeping America strong and vital in today’s complex world. This means educating not only our children and young adults, but also providing older members of our community with educational opportunities that widen their perspectives and foster deeper understandings of the world they live in. OLLI provides an opportunity to accomplish this, and give Americans of all ages the ability to engage with others in informed and meaningful ways.” –Nick Timreck, OLLI Instructor

## MEMBERSHIP AND COURSE OFFERINGS

- Over 600 courses and activities each year.
- Try us out by attending one or more free class sessions over a 2 week period.
- Introductory membership: one term for \$150.
- Annual membership fee of \$450 for unlimited courses and special events. Payment plans and financial assistance available.

Annual Membership Discount for George Mason or Northern Virginia Public School Retirees (\$150) for those who have never been annual members!

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## Spring 2023 Term

March 27—May 19

Stay connected and engaged through our classes and events! Join today at: [olli.gmu.edu](http://olli.gmu.edu)

Registration begins on February 21 and continues throughout the term.

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## *George Mason University*

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Below is just a sampling of the courses offered this term  
(To view a full listing of offerings, visit our online catalog at [olli.gmu.edu](http://olli.gmu.edu))

### Art and Music

Beyond Beginning Knitting  
"Music in the Life of Eisenhower"  
Singing for Fun  
Songs of World War II  
Virginia Opera Presents "Understanding Opera"  
Watercolor Painting-Beginners and Beyond

### Economics and Finance

Estate Planning  
Financial Literacy Update  
Selling Your Home, A Guide for the Mature Seller  
The Economics of the Montgomery Bus Boycott

### History

Alexandria History  
Ballad of a Soldier  
From Ancient to Modern Pueblo: the Great Archaeological Mystery  
Germanic Peoples and the Roman Empire  
Intelligence in the Civil War, Part 1  
Righteous Among Nations: Danish Defiance in WWII  
The Forgotten Founders  
Top Secret: Fort Hunt's WWII History

### Humanities/Current Events

Basic Buddhist Philosophy Seminar  
Big Issues, Complex Challenges, and No Simple Solutions  
Crimes and the Psychopath  
Genealogy: More than Names and Dates  
TED Talks  
Toxic Polarization: Causes and Cures  
U.S. and Virginia Education Politics, Policies, and Prose

### Language

Beginning Spanish  
Cued Speech  
Hangul (Korean Alphabet), the Alphabet of Compassion  
Latin: Level 4

### Literature/Theater/ Writing

Classic Book, Contemporary Themes, Part One: *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*  
Contemporary Italian Novels and Memoirs  
Great Films for Spring Viewing  
Jane Austen's *Emma*: Lovely Woman Reigns Alone  
Play Ball! On Film!  
Poetry Reading  
Tolkien's Legendarium

### Socials & Trips

Enjoy camaraderie and fun at our socials and on our trips!

### Miscellaneous

Introduction to Mah Jongg  
Springtime Brunch  
Strange Underwater Creatures

### Religion

Ascetics and Apocalypics: The Dead Sea Scrolls  
God's Problem: Why Do We Suffer?  
Slavery, the Bible, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address  
The Theology of *Les Misérables*: A Sacred Text by a Secular Writer  
The Timeless Teachings of the Ancient Hebrew Prophets

### Science/Technology/Health

Care at Home Technology 101  
Federal Law of Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) for Criminal Investigations  
Introduction to Einstein's Theory of Relativity  
Landforms  
Microplastics and Chemical Exposure Compounds on the Human Body  
The Great Acceleration: Earth Since 1900  
Tick, Tick Boom: The Explosion of Tickborne Infections in the Southeastern United States

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