

OLLI at Fresno State Monthly

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OLLI Summer Essentials 2024

Summer Hours

Summer has arrived at OLLI, and we're thrilled to offer a refreshing lineup of classes to keep your mind engaged while you beat the heat. With a diverse range of topics to explore, there's something for everyone to enjoy—some from the cool comfort of your own home. Please note that while we strive to provide a wide array of courses, classes are subject to cancellation if minimum enrollment is not met. This approach ensures that our program remains self-sustaining and continues to thrive.

As we transition into the summer season, please note our adjusted hours of operation. From now until August 5th, OLLI will be open Monday through Friday, welcoming you from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Parking Coupon Code

With fewer visitors on campus, you'll find that traffic flows more smoothly, making your journey to OLLI a breeze. Instead of issuing parking permits, upon registration for the summer session, you'll receive a convenient parking coupon code valid for all on-campus events.

How to Use the Coupon Dispenser

How to use a coupon code at the dispenser:

- Select option 2 (coupon code) on the keypad
- Enter the six-digit code
- Place the coupon on your dashboard.



New Keynote Location for the Summer

Join us for an enlightening in-person keynote, *The Evolving Landscape of Journalism: Navigating the Uncertain Future of News*, presented by Jim Boren. The event will take place in the serene surroundings of the Fresno State Library, specifically in the Leon S. Peters Ellipse Gallery on the 2nd floor. Convenient parking is located behind the library in lots P30 and P31. Stay tuned for a handy map, which will be included with the keynote reminder.



Picture on the left: The front of the Fresno State Library.

June Courses

Caves, Stones, and Rocks

Tuesdays | June 4, 11, 18
10 - 11:30 a.m. | Zoom



Presenter: Dr. Stephenie Slahor

Our world has many sites where caves, stones, or rocks play a significant role in geology, human history, and lore. From the Great Pyramids to Easter Island and Mammoth Cave to the Blarney Stone, we'll explore many of the famous and not-so-famous sites.

Current Events

Wednesdays | June 5, July 3
10 - 11:30 a.m.
ED 140 and Zoom

Presenter: Lanny Larson

With presidential politics, the future of Fresno State, wars, the economy, and whatever else is happening, OLLI members are invited to express their knowledge and respectful opinions about news and the media that keep us current. Former journalist Lanny Larson leads our sessions.

The Shape of Things

Thursdays | June 6, 13
10 - 11:30 a.m. | ED 140

Presenter: Kelly
History, fashion and garment engineering are the topics as we examine how the layout of corset boning helped shape body and



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fashion styles through the ages in the Western world. Leading this two-session course is Kelly Curry, the Fresno State Costume Shop supervisor in the Department of Theatre and Dance.

The A-Peel of the Color Orange

Wednesdays | June 12
10 - 11:30 a.m. | Zoom



Presenter: Eleanor Schrader

The color orange has a long history of different meanings in different cultures. By nature, orange elicits feelings of warmth, excitement, and optimism. As the balance between red and yellow, orange elicits strong, positive feelings of excitement, but its brightness also can signal danger. Orange is the color of the harvest and its abundance. Our exploration will consider orange in art history, including the creation of the pigment and how artists used the color to convey an array of meanings.

Joseph Goebbels: The Man Who Seduced a Nation!

Thursdays | June 13 | 3 - 4:30 p.m.
Zoom

Presenter: Anette Isaacs

This year's 85th anniversary of Hitler starting World War II presents a fitting occasion to take a closer look at his mouthpiece, Joseph Goebbels. Through his perfidious use of propaganda, this quintessential Nazi was able to turn the dictator into a

worshipped god-like figure and seduce a whole nation, and make many stubbornly believe in an essentially unwinnable war. German historian Anette Isaacs presents fascinating insights into the life and mind of this powerful manipulator.

**The Power of the Written Word
A Lost Art in a Techy World**

Tuesday | June 25 | 1 - 2:30 p.m.
ED 140



Presenter: Larry Salinas

Email, Schmemail. Texting, vexing. Take a break from hi-tech messaging and return to a time of more personal and thoughtful communication. Join Fresno State alumnus Larry Salinas as he shares tips and the magic of writing Thank-You cards; focusing on gratitude to brighten up our days during some turbulent times. A simple act that will hopefully leave you feeling good, and the recipient of your note, even better!

**American Indian Dwellings in
Our National Park System**

Monday | June 24 | 10 - 11:30 p.m.
Zoom

Presenter: David Kroese

We will explore history through the structures left behind by indigenous peoples and now protected in our National Park System. Parks expert and popular OLLI presenter David Kroese will guide us from Florida’s Canaveral National Seashore to Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado and

north to Alaska and Katmai National Park and Preserve.

Games You’ll Love to Play!

Wednesday | June 26 | 1 - 3:00 p.m.
ED 140



Presenter: Cathy Self

You will learn three simple, short, fun, family-friendly, easy-to-learn (and teach) card games: Thirtyone, Ninety-nine, and Ten to One. Re-capture the attention of your spouse, friends, children, grandchildren, neighbors, neighbors’ kids – anyone who you believe could use a break from their devices for personal interaction. You’ll go home with a new deck of cards and written instructions for each game so you can start playing right away.

June Adventures



**Fresno’s Chinatown:
Its History and Future**

Monday | June 10

10 - 12 p.m. | 1021 F Street, Fresno, CA 93705

\$20 fee | \$5 honorarium

Fresno’s historic Chinatown was a microcosm of our incredibly diverse community today. Did you know that at least eleven ethnic groups had entire communities that thrived in Chinatown in its early days? Join us as we acknowledge our rich and diverse local heritage, and share and honor our own stories, history, and memories. After a brief lecture by our guide, we will embark on a walking tour of the area.



Keynote Speaker

The Evolving Landscape of Journalism: Navigating the Uncertain Future of News

Presented by Jim Boren

Fresno State Library, Leon S. Peters Ellipse Gallery, 2nd Floor

Tuesday | June 11 | 2 - 3:30 p.m. | In-person



Jim Boren, an award-winning journalist, founded the Institute for Media and Public Trust at Fresno State. He also teaches journalism in the Media, Communications and Journalism Department. Jim is considered a national news industry leader and is widely recognized for his expertise in newsroom management. In this thought-provoking lecture, we will delve into the future of the news industry. As the dynamics of media continue to undergo profound transformations, this session aims to explore the intricate challenges and opportunities that shape the contemporary journalism landscape. With the ever-changing nature of information dissemination, we will analyze the impact of technological advancements, societal shifts, and global events on the field of journalism. We'll gain valuable insights into how journalists navigate the complexities of an uncertain future, adapt to emerging trends, and uphold the principles of ethical reporting.

June Calendar

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