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FALL 2021 CATALOG

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Primarily online
Some in-person options
For those age 50 and better!
WHERE DO I START?

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Fresno State offers learning opportunities to those age 50 or better. No entrance requirements, tests, grades or papers – just learning for enjoyment, personal growth and intellectual stimulation with like-minded people. Come learn for the love of learning!

1. BECOME A MEMBER

You can join OLLI anytime of the year. Memberships for spring and fall semesters are $40 each, and the summer session is $15. Membership fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Members Receive:
- Admission to all Keynote Speeches for the term of the membership
- Opportunity to register for OLLI courses and adventures
- OLLI newsletter delivered by email

2. REGISTER FOR OLLI COURSES AND ACTIVITIES

- Most of our fall offerings are online but we do have a few in-person options
- Courses and activities are open ONLY to OLLI members
- Enjoy a wide variety of interesting topics
- Registrations processed on a first-come, first-served basis
- OLLI Courses and activities are self-supporting - a minimum enrollment is required
- Course fees vary according to course length

NOTE: All in-person offerings are subject to change depending on public health guidelines and direction from the campus and the California State University.

3. REGISTER ONLINE

- It’s super quick and easy to register and pay online. No paperwork to complete or mailing to do – just register online, pay through the secure payment portal, and you’ll be registered in a flash.
- When you first use the online registration system, you will be prompted to provide information and you’ll select a username and password. When you return to register in the future, all your information is already saved – just login and register!
- If you need help, please call 559.278.0008 and we will answer your questions. We cannot accept any registrations by phone.
4  INSTALL ZOOM

Zoom is the platform we use for our OLLI offerings.
It takes just a minute to get a FREE Zoom account. Please do not be intimidated: You can learn anything!

From your desktop or laptop computer:
- Go to www.zoom.us and click the blue box that says “sign up”.

From your phone or tablet:
- Apple device (iPhone, iPad):
  Download Zoom from the Apple App store
- Android device (phone or tablet that’s not an Apple product):
  Download Zoom from the Google Play Store
- To participate in live video, Zoom will use the camera on your device (phone, laptop, tablet) if it has one.
- If you do not have a camera on your device, you can listen in by phone but others won’t be able to see you.

NOTE: You do not need to upgrade or pay for your account to participate in the OLLI Zoom. Our license is through the university and allows you to participate fully. If you decide to host your own Zoom meetings with family, friends or interest groups, you may wish to upgrade someday - but there is no need to for OLLI.

If you cannot log in to a video platform, you can listen to classes via telephone. The phone number to dial in to will be provided once you register.

5  SHARE THE OLLI ENTHUSIASM

- Invite your friends and family to join OLLI
- Post about your OLLI classes on your social media
- Follow the Fresno State OLLI on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FresnoStateOLLI/

SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

We are pleased to be able to offer a few on-campus opportunities for fall 2021.

Information related to daily health screening protocol, parking, mask requirements and more will be provided to you when you receive confirmation of your successful on-campus OLLI registration. We do have campus rules and guidelines; however, we recognize that rules may change as Covid-19 variants emerge. We will always follow campus rules and safety protocols and we expect OLLI members to do so as well.
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dan Taylor

Lights, Camera, Fastball: How the Hollywood Stars Changed Baseball

SEPTEMBER 22 | Wednesday | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Author Dan Taylor will talk about the basis of his book, the Hollywood Stars and their glorious 20-year run in the Pacific Coast League. Led by Bob Cobb, owner of the heralded Brown Derby restaurant and known more famously as the creator of the Cobb salad, the Hollywood Stars took professional baseball to a new and innovative level. The team played in short pants, employed cheerleaders and movie-star beauty queens, pioneered baseball on television, and offered fans palatable delicacies not before served at ballparks. Its celebrity owners pushed boundaries, challenged existing baseball norms, infuriated rivals, and produced an imaginative product, the likes of which the game had never before seen.


Anthony Iton
M.D., J.D., MPH
Senior Vice President of the California Endowment

When It Comes to Your Health, Does Your Zip Code Matter More Than Your Genetic Code?

SEPTEMBER 30 | Thursday | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

In 2013 when Forbes magazine listed the top ten healthcare quotes for 2013, the number one quote was attributed to Dr. Iton: "When it comes to health, your zip code matters more than your genetic code." This presentation will address some of the data and evidence behind that quote by exploring the strength of the relationship between life expectancy and neighborhood. Using hundreds of thousands of death certificates, GIS mapping and other simple data analyses, a profile of life expectancy by neighborhood in seven different cities and regions will be presented. The implications for US health spending and population health management will be discussed and a model for understanding the social determinants of health will be presented.
**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

**Dr. Bradley Hart**

When Corporate America did Business with Nazi Germany

**OCTOBER 13 | Wednesday | 2 - 3:30 p.m.**

Americans today often look back at the World War II era as a period of patriotism and shared national sacrifice. Yet the reality was different. In fact, major American corporations did business in Nazi Germany throughout the 1930s, helping Hitler build up his war machine. This talk will highlight the companies that did business in the Reich and the motivations of their leaders.

**Richard Hoskin**

Cult and Conspiracy

**OCTOBER 27 | Wednesday | 1 - 2:30 p.m.**

Cults and conspiracies sow fear, division, and enthusiasm. Our presenter will discuss the historical significance of cults, their organization, activities, and members. Learn about recruitment methods of cult leaders and the overall attraction of conspiracy theories. Our speaker will examine organizations such as QAnon, and discuss the storming of the Capitol, and its aftermath. Richard Hoskin draws on his experience as journalist and historian to report on "reliable sources" and "fake news" to seek answers, inform, and discuss while leaving others to make judgments.

**IN-PERSON OPTION:**

All keynote talks will be broadcast via Zoom. You can watch them from your home, OR you may come to campus to watch them on Zoom in our OLLI classroom.

If you wish to enroll for in-person viewing, please select that on the registration page (online registration) or registration form (mailed-in).

In-person is first-come, first-served and members must follow campus health safety protocol.
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Hadley Hall Meares
How Car Culture Shaped the Crazy, Cool Architecture of Midcentury L.A.

DECEMBER 1 | Wednesday | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Join Hadley Meares as she discusses the way cars and car culture revolutionized roadside architecture in Southern California. As “Streamline Moderne” evolved into the futuristic “Googie” style, dealerships, car washes and gas stations realized the eye-catching style was perfect for attracting passing motorists. Decades after they were built, some of the most iconic structures for selling and servicing automobiles are being restored or repurposed. Hadley Meares is a historical journalist, tour guide and host of the podcast Underbelly LA. She writes for outlets including Vanity Fair, The Hollywood Reporter, and Los Angeles Magazine and adores L.A.’s history.
Focus on Visual Arts
THURSDAYS | Aug. 26, Sept. 30, Nov. 4, Dec. 2
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenters: Donald Munro and Joyce Aiken
Arts blogger Donald Munro and arts veteran Joyce Aiken reprise their popular Spring OLLI class on the visual arts, featuring in-depth looks at four local visual artists. The class format will include video studio visits and live interviews with four new featured artists.

Psychology of Crime
WEDNESDAYS | Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Dr. Jenna Kieckhaefer
Lots of people enjoy the wide array of shows and series on television related to crime. Join Dr. Jenna Kieckhaefer in exploring the psychological bases of criminal behavior as they relate to the biology of criminality. She'll also review the numerous and varied contributions from cultural, economic, and geographic aspects of the social environment that may contribute to criminal behavior.

The International Space Station
THURSDAYS | Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Larry Parmeter
ISS, the International Space Station, is the most radical and complex project ever conceived and carried out anywhere at any time in history. A truly international undertaking involving over 15 countries, it has become a symbol of unity, cooperation, and goodwill in an increasingly fractured world. This class will explore the origins of the space station, its construction and habitation, its current status, and its future.

Architects Who Defined the California Landscape
THURSDAYS | Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23
1 - 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Eleanor Schrader, MBA
The unique culture and climate of California as well as our receptiveness to novel ideas offered a splendid variety of opportunities for those architects who designed our built environment in the early and mid-20th century. This class explores and richly illustrates the works of distinguished California architects such as Julia Morgan, Paul Williams, Charles and Henry Greene, Richard Neutra, John Lautner, and others. Each architect brought an individuality of style to the California landscape, and the innovative characteristics of their work as well as the personal attributes and challenges that influenced their designs will be discussed.

The Woman Behind the Teddy Bear
TUESDAY | Sept. 7
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Presenter: Anette Isaacs
It is common knowledge that President Theodore Roosevelt was the namesake of the world-famous Teddy Bear. Hardly anyone knows, though, that the cuddly stuffed animals were invented by an amazing woman from Southern Germany who overcame terrible sickness and incredible challenges and turned her tiny workshop into one of the most recognizable international brands-- and all that in the male-dominated world of the 19th century! Join German historian Anette Isaacs as she relates the truly awe-inspiring life of toy maker and business maven Margarete Steiff!
**Great Discoveries**  
**TUESDAYS | Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28**  
**10 - 11:30 a.m.**  

**Presenter:** Dr. Kirstin Hendrickson  
In modern science, historical references abound. A biologist might offhandedly mention Gregor Mendel and his pea plants. A chemist could casually toss a nod to Ernest Rutherford and his gold foil. We take for granted these fundamentals of science. Once upon a time, however, they were groundbreaking. In this class, we’ll explore some of the greatest scientific discoveries of yesteryear, complete with contextualization: what was science like before the experiments were conducted, and how were they conceptualized? We’ll tour various fields of science and hundreds of years of discoveries in an attempt to look at the evolution of science the way the scientific pioneers had to: ab initio.

**Intelligence and Espionage**  
**MONDAYS | Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4**  
**12 - 1:30 p.m.**  

**Presenter:** Tristen Cooper, M.A.  
This course introduces the art of intelligence, covering how governments and corporations use intelligence to help make decisions about important topics. In addition, we will look at examples of successful and unsuccessful intelligence campaigns and cover ways you can use the intelligence processes in making your own decisions. Tristen earned a master’s degree in National Security Studies with concentrations in Strategy and Nuclear Deterrence, Intelligence, and Social Network Analysis. Since then, Tristen has worked in Cyber Threat Intelligence Analysis and teaching counter Custody/Counter Kidnapping for the Mexican Army.

**Storytelling for Women**  
**MONDAYS | Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18**  
**10 - 11:30 a.m.**  

**Presenter:** Marisa Mata, MFA  
With coming-of-age stories taking center stage in popular media and literature, we are left to wonder what becomes of a woman when she reaches her golden years. This course will survey a variety of texts depicting older women as full, complex characters and offer students space to discuss themes including friendship, beauty, adventure, and reinvention. Students will also be offered prompts to help generate their own writing in the form of memoir, poetry, journal entries, and letters.

**Landmark Albums**  
**TUESDAYS | Sept. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5**  
**3 - 4:30 p.m.**  

**Presenter:** Dr. Matthew Darling  
The late 1960s through the early 1980s can be viewed as the heyday for LPs in popular music. The Beatles’ Sgt Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band, Carole King’s Tapestry, Pink Floyd’s The Wall, and Michael Jackson’s Thriller have collectively sold over 150 million copies worldwide to-date, and continue to have a major influence on artists and music lovers. We will closely examine these albums and their contribution to pop culture. We welcome Dr. Darling back to OLLI!
Assassinations, Attempted Assassinations and Their Significance 1865-1995
TUESDAYS | Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. Greg Ferro
Regardless of how tragic they might be, assassinations carry a large historical significance. Do you remember the moment when you heard the news of President Kennedy’s or Dr. King’s assassinations? As James Brady, who was shot with Reagan in March 1981, has said, “from Julius Caesar to John Lennon, assassinations have altered the presumed course of events, changing personal and public lives forever.” Gregory Ferro, who earned his doctorate at Penn State, teaches American history classes to lifelong learners in North Carolina and throughout the Mid-Atlantic states, and now for Fresno State.

How To Learn Everything Internet Video
WEDNESDAYS | Sept. 29, Oct. 6
1 - 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Kevin Sebesta, MBA
Have you ever wanted to learn about everything? Are you aware of the vast amounts of educational and informative Internet videos available to you? Did you know many Internet video services are free or have a relatively low cost? This class will take you step-by-step into the amazing world of Internet videos – videos that are available for viewing on all types of devices, and in any location.

Evolution of Science
THURSDAYS | Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Presenter: Marc Olevin
This course profiles the men and women whose stories illustrate our endless curiosity for discovery and learning. We explore the mystery of electricity, from Franklin’s kite to Edison’s electric power. In the 20th century we survey the digital revolution, the race to DNA, and the discovery of dark matter, plus an eye-opening look behind the politics and controversy of the coveted Nobel Prize. No background in science is required. Marc Olevin worked as a consultant for clients including NASA/JPL, Amgen and Lockheed, is a member of the History of Science Society and a graduate of Wayne State University.

Talk About What’s Happening
MONDAYS | Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 29
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Moderator: Lanny Larson
COVID’s return, California’s recall, Congress’s reality and heaping helpings of climate change, politics and what cannot be foreseen in midsummer are fodder for fall current event discussions. Recovering journalist Lanny Larson will guide our sessions.

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Silent Film Comedians: Introduction to the Big Four  
**MONDAYS | Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25**  
3 - 4:30 p.m.  

Presenter: Eric Estep  
This course will take you back in time where we will explore the artistry of “the Big Four” of the silent film era—Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton, Harold Lloyd, and Harry Langdon. Over the course of four sessions, we will focus on the careers and personal lives of these brilliant comedians. Video clips of their work will be included as well as discussion and comparison of their unique personas and contributions to cinema history.

The U.S. Presidency in Comparative Perspective  
**WEDNESDAYS | Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27**  
11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  

Presenter: Dr. Everett Vieria  
This course will explore the history, purpose, and power of the U.S. executive in comparative perspective. We will analyze the U.S. presidency in both domestic and international contexts throughout the United States’ 245-year history, as well as how it compares to executives in the United Kingdom, Mexico, Russia, China, and Peru, amongst others.

Art for Art’s Sake: 19th Century Aestheticism  
**TUESDAYS | Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26**  
10 - 11:30 a.m.  

Presenter: Susana Sosa  
Emerging first in mid-19th century England, Aestheticism was a reaction against rapid industrialization with its emphasis on commercialism and the use value of material objects. A loose coalition of artists and writers argued that our engagement of art centers on the ineffable experience of beauty. This course will examine the key artists and writers whose works aimed a critique at mainstream art of their time: Dante Gabriel Rossetti, James McNeill Whistler, Frederick Leighton, Aubrey Beardsley, Oscar Wilde, & Charles Swinburne.

The Art of Dressing Joyfully  
**THURSDAYS | Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28**  
1 - 2:30 p.m.  

Presenter: Dianne Callahan  
I once saw a photo of a little girl in a cute dress with pockets and she exuberantly shouted “Look mom! Snack holes!” If that’s not a celebration of dressing joyfully, I don’t know what is. Join us for four weeks of exploration into how to use our clothing to express our personality and the simple joy of being alive. Joyful style doesn’t necessarily mean wild colors or animal print everything. Simplicity and restraint can be joyful too. And, you don’t have to have a closet (or budget) the size of one of the “real housewives” to experience the sublime pleasure of being truly happy in your clothes.
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Women of the Supreme Court
THURSDAYS | Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28
10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Presenter: Lauren Andersen, J.D.
Follow the stories of five women who pursued legal careers, justice, and equality and became Supreme Court Justices as we examine the lives and careers of Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Justice Elena Kagan and Justice Amy Coney Barrett. Understand how their lives influenced their careers and why they sought a position on the highest court in the nation.

$40

Elections
MONDAYS | Oct. 11, 18, 25
1 - 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. David Adler
This course will focus on the key social, economic, and political factors that shaped and influenced the outcome of the presidential race, offer insights into the changing nature of Congress and its impact on the U.S. Supreme Court. We will discuss the implications of the election for the nation’s foreign and domestic policy will be discussed as well as the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact which would protect the integrity of elections and the right of the American voters to elect the president.

$30

Presidents and Their Religion
TUESDAYS | Oct. 12, 19, Nov. 2
1 - 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. Greg Ferro
God in the White House? Although the Constitution clearly prohibits any religious requirement for public office, almost every single president has been a believer. The religious affiliations of presidents can affect their electability, shape their stances on policy matters, visions of society, leadership styles and more. Their religions have included two Reformed Dutch, three Disciples of Christ, one Deist and 18 of 45 presidents were either Episcopalian or Presbyterian. Until 2021 and the election of Joe Biden, John F. Kennedy was the only Catholic to have held the nation’s highest office and only three U.S. presidents have been unaffiliated with a specific religious tradition. Join us in discovering the history of presidential beliefs and how successful they were in keeping faith separate from job.

$30

Religion and Philosophy
WEDNESDAYS | Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. Andy Fiala
In this course, Dr. Fiala will lead a philosophical exploration of religion. Topics will include cosmology, theology, psychology, ethics, and secularism. We will consider metaphysical arguments about religion, as well as arguments about the social value of religion. We will discuss the question of finding common ground among religious (and nonreligious) traditions, while encouraging you to think about religion in a way that is both tolerant and critical. Bring an open-mind and an inquisitive spirit! This course is based on Dr. Fiala’s latest book “Seeking Common Ground”, a dialogue between a philosopher and a catholic theologian, coming this fall.

$40

The Tainted Legacy of Richard Wagner
TUESDAY | Oct. 12
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Presenter: Anette Isaacs
To some he is the creator of divine music, to others he is history’s most controversial composer. 145 years after the world premiere of his famous Ring Cycle, Richard Wagner and his legacy that was tainted by both his own difficult personality and the usurpation of his music by Adolf Hitler, are still topics of debate. Join Historian Anette Isaacs for a fascinating discussion of how the music and the legacy of Richard Wagner are received in her native country Germany today, more than seven decades after the demise of Hitler’s Nazi Regime.

$15

OLLI Fall 2021
Discover California's Wine Regions
FRIDAY | Oct. 22
10 - 11:30 a.m.
Presenter: Dr. Kristy Sun
This course gives an overview of the history and development of the California wine industry, the major wine grapes and wine growing regions of California, the impact of water, soil and climate on wine quality and consumer acceptance. After completing this course, you should have a good understanding of the California wine regions so you can seek out your favorite vintages.

Vaccine History and the Impact on Global Health
MONDAY | Nov. 1
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Presenter: Nicole Zitterkopf, Ph.D., MPH, MT(ASCP)
Join us for a historical journey of vaccines - starting with techniques introduced in the 11th and 12th centuries and clinical applications of those practices to defeat the “speckled monster”. Our journey through time will continue as we find out how cholera, tetanus, polio and tuberculosis were controlled by vaccines and how vaccines reduce the global burden of disease and improved health equity. Dr. Zitterkopf is a laboratory scientist with 20 years of experience working in, teaching, and directing infectious disease testing laboratories.

Uncovering the Human Toll of the American Eugenics Movement
MONDAYS | Nov. 1, 8, 15
2 - 3:30 p.m.
Presenter: Dr. Bradley Hart
For much of the 20th century, eugenics was seen as a valid scientific discipline. Originating in Britain, eugenicists claimed to be able to improve the human race through selective breeding and other means. While later associated with Nazi Germany, eugenics actually found its earliest success in California. This course examines what eugenics was and its legacy to the present day.

Why Monsters?
TUESDAY | Nov. 2
10 - 11:30 a.m.
Presenter: Dr. Diane Facinelli
We live in a time of monsters. Our ancient ancestors lived in a time of monsters. The monsters themselves change as cultures and our fears, anxieties, and lessons change, but there are always monsters lurking in the margins: unnatural creatures who invade the natural world and destroy our sense of security no matter what seemingly secure place we inhabit. If they frighten us so much, why are they so fascinating? Looking at several monsters from ancient Greece to the present reveals some of the reasons—and benefits—behind the monsters our imaginations create.

The Women of the Third Reich
TUESDAY | Nov. 2
3 - 5 p.m.
Presenter: Anette Isaacs
“The mission of women is to be beautiful and to bring children into the world.” These words, auspiciously written by Hitler’s mouthpiece Joseph Goebbels in 1929, laid out the simple but essential role German women were expected to play in the prospective Third Reich. By examining both the general situation of women in Nazi Germany and the individual lives of wives and girlfriends of the Nazi elite, such as Magda Goebbels, Emmy Goering, Leni Riefenstahl, and the infamous Eva Braun, German Historian Anette Isaacs will reveal in how far this lofty expectation was met by reality in a racially motivated totalitarian system.
French Esthetics
WEDNESDAYS | Nov. 3, 10, 17
2 - 3:30 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. Tara Hashemi
This course will explore the history and evolution of France’s arts, high fashion, gastronomy and etiquette. Taking us all the way back to Louis XIV’s court at Versailles and moving our way towards modern France, we will cover the evolution of the aspects that still to this day, put the country at the forefront of the elusive notion of good taste.

The Evolution of American Political Parties:
1789-1989
WEDNESDAYS | Nov. 3, 10, 17
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Gary Walker
This course will start with a review of how Washington’s Federalist Party became Whigs, and eventually, Republicans, while Jefferson’s Democratic Republicans became Democrats under Andrew Jackson. We will follow with the analysis of the era of Republican domination, with only two Democrats elected President over this 65 year period and we will finish with a look at a more liberal Democratic Party, with five presidents, and a more conservative Republican Party, with four. Third parties will also be discussed, including Know-Nothings in the 19th Century, and in the 20th Century, Progressive and Socialist parties.

The Prosecutor's Art - From the Streets to the Suits
THURSDAY | Nov. 4
1 - 3 p.m.

Presenter: Hon. Charles B. Schudson
Street crime, white collar crime … whatever the crime, prosecutors must direct investigations and build cases, then present them to judges and juries. But how? Does the Constitution restrain them? Do their own constitutions guide them? Do corruption and politics influence them? From behind the scenes to open court, armed with law, literature, and cinema, a former state and federal prosecutor will lead our investigation.

Charles Benjamin Schudson, a Wisconsin Reserve Judge Emeritus, graduated from Dartmouth College and the University of Wisconsin Law School. He served as a state and federal prosecutor, a trial and appellate judge, and a law professor and Fulbright Scholar teaching at judicial conferences and law schools throughout the world.

Anti-Vax
THURSDAY | Nov. 4
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Dr. Kirstin Hendrickson
As vaccine-preventable illnesses disappear from the public eye and a new generation of parents begins to make health choices for their children, nebulous fears about "toxins" in vaccines loom large. Having gained momentum for more than a decade, vaccine refusal is resulting in increasing rates of once-rare diseases in the U.S., and impacting in real time our ability to return to normalcy post-COVID. The modern anti-vaccine movement is by no means the first of its kind; people have feared and revered vaccines in cycles since the development of the modern inoculation by Edward Jenner. How were vaccines developed, and what's in them? What's behind the modern anti-vaccine movement? Finally, are vaccine decisions personal, or matters of public health, and why?
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Germany and Israel - A Story of Guilt and Unlikely Friendship!
TUESDAY | Nov. 9
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Presenter: Anette Isaacs
Five and half decades ago, Germany and Israel reluctantly entered into diplomatic relations. What at first glance seems to be a rather unlikely relationship – especially in light of the shared history – has evolved over time into a blossoming friendship and successful economic bond. In order for this to happen Germany had to face its Nazi legacy and subsequent collective guilt. Join German Historian Anette Isaacs on this 83rd anniversary of the Night of Broken Glass (1938) as she discusses how her native country has attempted to cope with the guilt of causing the Holocaust and how this painful but necessary process heralded a new era in German-Israeli relations.

The Political and Social Uses of the Arthurian Legend
TUESDAYS | Nov. 9, 16
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Dr. Diane Facinelli
The significance of the legends surrounding King Arthur and the many knights and ladies of his court at Camelot have enchanted readers, listeners, and viewers for centuries. They also have been the source for political and social propaganda since the first mention of the legendary king in early chronicles. Among the topics in this class will be: What political commentaries on England’s state might be in Sir Thomas Malory’s collection of Arthurian tales, one of that nation’s first printed books? What social messages did Alfred, Lord Tennyson convey through alterations to the legend in his 19th-century Idylls of the King? What are some contemporary works and rituals that make the Arthurian legend relevant to modern Americans?

Sawmills in Eastern Fresno County
1860s-1890s
TUESDAYS | Nov. 9, 16
1:30 - 3 p.m.

Presenter: Dr. Jeannine Raymond
Dive into a period of Fresno County history when Sierra timber was felled in response to the population boom of the late 1800s, and the railroad’s need for lumber. Meet the people at the center of the sawmill activity. Learn how they moved giant logs. Get a glimpse of life as a timber man, and what the women and children did to avoid the snowy winters.

Independence Corrupted - How America’s Judges Really Make Their Decisions
THURSDAY | Nov. 18
1 - 3 p.m.

Presenter: Hon. Charles B. Schudson
Judge Schudson knows how judges really make their decisions. He brings us behind the bench to probe judicial minds analyzing actual trials and sentencings – of abortion protesters, murderers, sex predators, white supremacists and others. He takes us into chambers to hear judges forging appellate decisions about life and death, corporate crime, multimillion-dollar damages, and priceless civil rights. Most significantly, he exposes the financial, political, personal, and professional pressures threatening judicial integrity like never before.

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BOOK CLUB

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
The Burglary: The Discovery of J. Edgar Hoover’s Secret FBI
by Betty Medsger

The never-before-told full story of the history-changing break-in at the FBI office in Media, Pennsylvania, by a group of unlikely activists—quiet, ordinary, hardworking Americans—that made clear the shocking truth and confirmed what some had long suspected, that J. Edgar Hoover had created and was operating, in violation of the U.S. Constitution, his own shadow Bureau of Investigation.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
Leave Only Footprints
by Conor Knighton

In the wake of a failed romance, the author, a correspondent for the CBS program Sunday Morning, decides to do a series on America’s national parks in 2016, the 100th anniversary of the founding of the National Park Service. He begins on January 1 at Acadia National Park, the easternmost in the U.S., and by the time he ends on December 31 at Point Reyes National Seashore, he has visited and offered commentary and perspective on all the parks. What he finds is that the national parks are a reflection of America itself: all of its strengths and weaknesses, hopes, dreams, possibilities, unmet goals, and future challenges. He especially sees the national park system as symbolized in Theodore Roosevelt, who, in the wake of a personal tragedy, spent several years in the then wilderness of the Dakotas and reemerged a stronger and more resilient person. The author comes to realize that, like many others, the national park system is the best idea America has ever had and has become a model and beacon for the rest of the world.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5
The Premonition: A Pandemic Story
by Michael Lewis

Fortunately, we are still a nation of skeptics. Fortunately, there are those among us who study pandemics and are willing to look unflinchingly at worst-case scenarios. The author pits a band of medical visionaries against the wall of ignorance that was the official response of the Trump administration to the outbreak of COVID-19. The characters you will meet in these pages are as fascinating as they are unexpected. A 13-year-old girl’s science project on transmission of an airborne pathogen develops into a very grown-up model of disease control. A local public-health officer uses her worm’s-eye view to see what the CDC misses, and reveals great truths about American society. A secret team of dissenting doctors, nicknamed the Wolverines, has everything necessary to fight the pandemic: brilliant backgrounds, world-class labs, prior experience with the pandemic scares of bird flu and swine flu...everything, that is, except official permission to implement their work.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3
West of the West Dreamers, Believers, Builders, and Killers in the Golden State
by Mark Arax

Mark Arax combines journalism, essay, and memoir to capture social upheaval as well as the sense of being rooted in a community in this book. Piece by piece, the stories become a whole, a stunning panorama of California, and America, in a new century. “The Summer of the Death of Hilario Guzman” has been praised as a “stunningly intimate” portrait of one immigrant family from Oaxaca, through harrowing border crossings and brutal raisin harvests. In the “Home Front,” right-wing Christians and Jews form a strange pact that tries to silence debate on the War on Terror, and a conflicted father loses not one but two sons in Iraq. “The Last Okie in Lamont,” the inspiration for the town in the Grapes of Wrath, has but one Okie left, who tells Arax his life story as he drives to a funeral to bury one more Dust Bowl migrant. “The Highlands of Humboldt” is a journey to the marijuana growing capital of the U.S., where the old hippies are battling the new hippies over “pollution pot” and the local bank collects a mountain of cash each day, much of it redolent of cannabis.
ACTIVITIES

Cooking Lessons
Presented by Hillori Hansen

No Forks Required

**SEPTEMBER 10 | Friday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Price:** $15 per person

- Beef Kofta with Tahini Yogurt Sauce
- Chipotle Cauliflower Tacos with Cilantro Crema
- Thai Chicken Lettuce Cups

Beautiful Breakfasts

**SEPTEMBER 24 | Friday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Price:** $15 per person

- Hot Pink Smoothie Bowl with Hemp Seeds and Blueberries
- Oeufs Cocotte (Baked Eggs) with Truffle Cheddar
- Soaked Multi-Grain Waffles with Berry Syrup & Cream

Halloween Party Time

**OCTOBER 29 | Friday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Price:** $15 per person

- Halloween Charbooterie Board
- Homemade Pumpkin Chili
- Apple Cider Doughnuts

Pies and Tarts

**NOVEMBER 19 | Friday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Price:** $15 per person

- Pear and Almond Tart
- Heavenly Pumpkin Pie
- Pecan Pie Bars

Holiday Traditions

**DECEMBER 10 | Friday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Price:** $15 per person

- Lucy Glo Apple and Pomegranate Salad with Toasted Pistachio
- Christmas Cioppino
- Homemade Gingerbread with Butterscotch Sauce
Virtual Wine Tasting

Presenter: Tom Montgomery

**OCTOBER 22 | Friday | 2-3 p.m.**

- **Price:** $70 mailed; $65 Farm Market Pick Up
  Out of county/state mailing is subject to an extra charge
- **Last day to Register:** September 30
- **Includes:** 3 full wine bottles and food listed

Join us for a virtual wine tasting of some of the finest wines Fresno state has to offer. We will chat with our winemaker, Tom Montgomery, about the newest selections of wines, current winery news and more. Our tasting includes the Tempranillo, Rose and the 2021 San Francisco Chronicle GOLD Medal winner - Chardonnay Carneros. The box will contain Gibson Farm Market treats that are savory (1.5 oz. mozzarella, 1.5 oz. white sharp cheddar, 1.5 oz. pepper jack and 2 oz. salted almonds) and sweet (1.5 oz. dark chocolate almonds, 1.5 oz. sea salt caramel flavored milk chocolate almonds, 2 oz. dark chocolate raisins and 2 oz. yogurt raisins). When registering, you may select the box sent to you via mail or you may visit the Gibson Farm Market on October 16 ONLY between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., to pick up your box and maybe grab a few more goodies while there.

Representations of the Silenced and the Silences:
Library Staff Selections in Support of Ethnic Studies

**NOVEMBER 8 | Monday | 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

- **Price:** $15 per person

Interested in a peek “behind the curtain” to learn about the inner workings of the current exhibition from the Special Collections Research and the Arne Nixon Center for the Study of Children’s Literature at the Henry Madden Library? If so, join us for an illuminating discussion of how “Representations of the Silenced and Silences: Staff Selections in Support of Ethnic Studies” seeks to engage students and the campus community in teaching, learning and research using highly curated published and archival sources in the four core Ethnic Studies disciplines of Asian American Studies, Latin American and Chicano Studies, Africana Studies and American Indian Studies.
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### Fresno State's Day of Giving is November 4

Gifts to OLLI are accepted at any time, and especially on the university’s Day of Giving. The Fresno State OLLI is a vital and vibrant part of our member’s lives and our region.

Your support helps us continue to inspire our community of learners who are dedicated to thriving in life’s second half. Our program is self-supporting and we receive no funding from the university, counting on members and sponsors to continue our program.

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OLLI Registration Form

FALL 2021

☐ New Member  ☐ Returning Member  

Register online at: www.fresnostate.edu/olli
It’s quick, safe and easy to register online!

NOTE: Most of our Fall 2021 offerings are online.

Member Information

Name(s)
Mailing Address
City  State  Zip
Email Address
Phone  Cell Phone

If retired, what was your occupation?

Are you a Fresno State Alumna/us?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  Year of graduation  Degree

Your Age Group  ☐ 50-60  ☐ 61-70  ☐ 71-80  ☐ 81-90  ☐ 90+  ☐ Other

How did you hear about the Fresno State OLLI?

☐ Previously a member  ☐ Friend  ☐ Newspaper  ☐ Catalog  ☐ Online  ☐ Other:

FALL 2021 Selections

Membership Fee $40  ___ x $40  $_______
Total for OLLI Courses (from side 2)  $_______
Total for Book Club (from side 2)  $_______
Total for Activities (from side 2)  $_______
Any Additional Gift to OLLI  $_______
TOTAL DUE  $_______

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We accept checks or money orders made payable to FRESNO STATE FOUNDATION

We cannot accept any registrations by phone.

Please return this form and payment to:
Fresno State OLLI
5005 N. Maple Avenue  M/S ED76
Fresno, CA  93740-8025

Questions?  559-278-0008  osher@csufresno.edu

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15 OVER 50 Awards Program

Celebrating and honoring those in their second half of life who exemplify positive aging and make our region a better place

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Three honorees will be recognized in each category:

- Advocacy + Activism
- Community Service
- Defining Inspiration
- Intergenerational Impact
- Lifelong Learning

This awards program is presented by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Fresno State.

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