



Limited In-person Classes Central Tucson Fall 2021

Running 12 Weeks: Sept 13 to Dec 13

Note: An annual 2021-22 All OLLI / Central Tucson membership is required to participate.

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COVID-19 and the Road Back to In-person Classes at Central Tucson

Please understand it takes months of planning for each session OLLI-UA offers. With so much uncertainty, we are taking a cautious approach to ensure a safe and quality member experience. For fall 2021, OLLI-UA is introducing limited in-person classes at our Central Tucson Campus with the intent of returning to full in-person offerings across OLLI (along with continued online) for spring 2022. This gives members, study group leaders, and leadership a way to test the waters with willing participants while maintaining a broad array of programming online.

Setting Expectations

For long-term CTC members, the feeling of the campus environment will not be the same this fall. Fall in-person programming is purposely being limited in the number of offerings and the number of seats, with social distancing precautions. The lounge will be closed for the fall to avoid congregating, and drink service will not be available. Only members officially registered for classes will be able to attend. No drop-ins allowed. There will be only one class at a time in the building, and we will be alternating classrooms between sessions to control people flow. With these limitations, members may not get into their classes of choice. Please keep in mind there are still 110+ online offerings and some of the Central Tucson in-person classes will be available online (hybrid) for members who are unable (or unwilling) to get an in-person slot.

Acknowledgment of COVID-19 Risk with In-person Activities

OLLI-UA is taking steps to help ensure the health and well-being of our members, study group leaders, and staff, but please know members need to decide for themselves if they are comfortable attending in-person activities and they must assume any risk involved. We also ask you to think of our collective membership and act in the best interest of all participants when deciding to attend in-person activities.

On June 15, Governor Ducey issued an Executive Order that places limits on the COVID-19 mitigation measures that can be used at state universities. As a program of the University of Arizona, OLLI-UA must comply with the Governor's Executive Order. **Specifically, with this order we cannot require vaccinations or inquire about vaccination status, however in alignment with university policy, we are requiring masks be worn in our facility and classroom.**

What We Know About Vaccination Status

We believe a high percentage of All OLLI / Central Tucson Campus (CTC) members are vaccinated, **but we cannot guarantee all who attend are or will be vaccinated.** Before the Governor's Order, we surveyed our ALL OLLI / CTC membership and asked members to voluntarily let us know of their vaccination status. We had a very high rate of return and are only missing about 50 responses out of 500. Of the group who responded, 99% self-reported as vaccinated. Even if every single one of the non-respondents has not been vaccinated, and yet intends to attend in-person classes, that would still leave us with a vaccination rate of 90%.

Minimizing Exposure

You must assess your own personal risk and take the precautions that you feel are appropriate. OLLI-UA strongly encourages vaccinations and mask usage to protect yourself and the community. Please continue to follow [CDC Guidelines](#).

Safety Precautions

OLLI-UA safety protocols include social distancing, controlled traffic flow within the building, controlled classroom entry and exit, classroom capacity reduced by about 40%, improved ventilation (MERV 13 HVAC filters equal to an N95 mask), and anti-viral approved cleaning. Disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer dispensers will be available.

Please do not attend in-person classes if you are not feeling well or have tested positive for Covid-19. Those who are immuno-compromised or are part of a household with immuno-compromised individuals should take great precaution, consult their medical providers, and are encouraged to utilize our online offerings to remain safe.

Mondays

[Fall Speaker Series at Central Tucson](#)

Subject Area: Arizona History/Culture, Arts/Culture, Civic Engagement/Community/Government, DIY/Self-Help, Health/Wellness, History/Current Events, Literature/Writing/Language, Philosophy/Spirituality/Religion, Science/Math/Technology, Social Sciences, Travel/Entertainment

Mondays: 7 Sessions 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Start:** Mon 9/20/21 **End:** Mon 12/13/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

Join us in-person for our fall speaker series events. Each event will be hosted live from Central Tucson and guest speakers will be broadcast into the classroom. Events will be held every other week starting Monday, September 20th. Watch the OLLI-UA website for more details:

09/20/21: The Death of Hong Kong: 'One Country, Two Systems' Under the New National Security Law

10/04/21: Reaching Across the Racial Divide

10/18/21: TBD

11/01/21: Discovering Mars: A History of Observation and Exploration of the Red Planet

11/15/21: Drug Wars and Covert Netherworlds

11/29/21: Beloved Border

12/13/21: Sowing the Seeds of Change

Instructor: Invited Guests and Host Scott Aldridge, OLLI-UA Program Manager

Tuesdays

[News and Views - Coleman](#)

Subject Area: History/Current Events

Tuesdays: 12 Sessions 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Start:** Tue 9/14/21 **End:** Tue 12/7/21 - **No Class Week of Thanksgiving**

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

News and Views is an interactive class. Class members share their views on current events. This class is an opportunity for members to share and learn from each other. The class also believes in humor.

Instructor: Terry Coleman

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Terry has been a resident of Tucson for 35 years and an OLLI member. He is retired from the local school system having been a school counselor. He has served overseas as a Peace Corps volunteer in India and later as a Foreign Service officer in South Vietnam.

Wednesdays

[Understanding the World of Wine](#)

Subject Area: Arts/Culture, Crafts/Cooking, Travel/Entertainment

Wednesdays: 2 Sessions 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM **Start:** Wed 11/3/21 **End:** Wed 11/10/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

A condensed, 4-hour course in learning everything you need to know about the world of wine and how to appreciate the many ways wine can be both fascinating and fun, rather than intimidating. An added benefit of your increased knowledge will be the ability to be able to identify not only great wines but great value wines, i.e. wines don't have to be expensive to be delicious.

Instructor: Norm Land

Norm received his 2 degrees from Colorado University in 1969, followed by 10 years in various careers before opening the Good Earth Restaurant & Bakery here in 1979. After a 20-year run, he switched to management consulting, but was then recruited by Shaanxi University, Xi'an, China in 2010 to teach marketing and management for the next 7 years. Over the past 40 years, he has indulged in his passion for travel, including 50+ trips around the world, 44 of them via his 2nd passion, cycling, and combined with his 3rd passion, wine, touring hundreds of wineries in US, Canada/Australia/NZ, Italy/France, and China.

[Best Popular Music in 3/4 and 6/8 Time - No Waltzes!](#)

Subject Area: Arts/Culture

Wednesdays: Single Session 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Start:** Wed 12/8/21 **End:** Wed 12/8/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

Folk, country, rock, pop, jazz, humor, soul, Latin, Broadway. From Beatles to Brubeck and beyond. Pure musical fun in the danceable tempo of 3/4. This singable single session of toe-tapping triple meter will open your ears to this bouncy beat.

Instructor: John "Nemo" Nemerovski

John Nemo is a lifelong musician and educator who immerses himself in folk, early rock, blues, jazz, and classical music. He plays guitar and provides a fascinating playlist for his music appreciation courses.

Thursdays

[Western Movies of the Golden Age](#)

Subject Area: Arts/Culture

Thursdays: 4 Sessions 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Start:** Thu 9/16/21 **End:** Thu 10/7/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

Westerns enthralled movie audiences almost from the beginning of cinema. The very first American narrative film was a western. The popularity of the genre continued almost unabated until the early 1950's when cowboy and Indians racing across the western skyline began to fade. But during the "Golden Age," cowboy and Indian films were tops at the box office and on the little TV screen across the United States and around the world. The films were basic morality plays and had a tremendous effect. Our discussions will have a special emphasis on westerns made in Arizona.

Instructor: Philip Wenstrand

Phil Wenstrand has been involved in media almost his entire life. As a teenager he became interested in the movie business and began collecting silent films. He spent most of his adult life in commercial television in a number of roles including cameraman, producer and television news director. He has been making documentary films for TV and theatrical showings for over 40 years. One of his hobbies is the history of cinema, and in particular the technical side of film and video production.

[The Films of Alfred Hitchcock](#)

Subject Area: Arts/Culture

Thursdays: 4 Sessions 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Start:** Thu 10/14/21 **End:** Thu 11/4/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

Alfred Hitchcock once said that his only goal was to "scare the Hell out of his audience." And that is exactly what he did for almost 60 years. He made 80 films, many of which were suspense-thrillers. He is considered one of the most successful film directors of the 20th century. He had not only a major influence on the film industry but also on the culture of the world. This discussion will take a close look at his cinematic style and his strange personal life.

Instructor: Philip Wenstrand

Philip Wenstrand spent most of his life in the media. For 30 years he worked in commercial television news and documentary production. He is a graduate of Linfield College and the Brooks Institute.

Mammals of the Santa Catalina Mountains

Subject Area: Science/Math/Technology

Thursdays: 3 Sessions 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Start:** Thu 10/28/21 **End:** Thu 11/18/21 - No Class Nov 11 - Veterans Day

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

The Santa Catalina Mountains on the north side of Tucson contain a diverse array of animal life. Join naturalist and camera trap videographer David Dean for a discussion of general mammalian biology, then through the use of videos captured by motion-activated cameras, an up close and personal (and often humorous) look into the lives of the fascinating animals who call these mountains home. Are you curious about the wildlife that inhabits your property? David will also tell you what you need to know in terms of selecting and using a trail camera.

Instructor: David Dean

David retired and relocated to Tucson in the summer of 2015 after having served for 25 years on the faculty of the Department of Biology at Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama. He is very active in two volunteer groups, the Sabino Canyon Volunteer Naturalists and the Santa Catalina Volunteer Patrol, which support the Santa Catalina Ranger District of Coronado National Forest. His hobby is capturing the wildlife of the Santa Catalina Mountains on video using motion-activated cameras.

Stewardship in the Tohono O'odham Haki:dag - Sacred Homeland

Subject Area: Science/Math/Technology

Thursdays: 2 Sessions 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Start:** Thu 12/2/21 **End:** Thu 12/9/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

John Amato, RN and I are stewards in the Tohono O'odham Haki:dag - sacred homeland of the Tohono O'odham Nation protecting the natural and cultural heritage of the Sonoran Desert and the Catalina Mountains. We remove hundreds of pounds of trash including barbed wire and old rusted fence posts that are a nuisance to and ensnare native animals. We rescued Sonoran Desert Tortoises from the aftermath of the Bighorn Fire and steward the sacred sites of the Tohono O'odham ancestors.

Instructor: Dr. Amy Eisenberg

Dr. Amy Eisenberg earned her Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Arid Lands Resource Sciences: Ethnoecology and Native American Studies from the University of Arizona. She has an MS and BS in Biology: Botany and Scientific and Fine Art. Amy is a scientific artist whose work is in the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation and has been exhibited internationally and nationally. She is a steward in the Tohono O'odham Haki:dag - sacred homeland of the Tohono O'odham Nation, and a botanist, ethnoecologist, organic sustainable agriculturist and agroforester and Associate Scholar with Center for World Indigenous Studies.

Fridays

[Invisible China and the Asian Century](#)

Subject Area: History/Current Events, Social Sciences

Fridays: 10 Sessions 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Start:** Fri 9/17/21 **End:** Fri 11/19/21

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

China is a land of superlatives. It is the world's most populous with a rapidly aging population. Its economy is the world's largest measured by purchasing power parity. With its Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), it is increasingly connected to the world and providing critical infrastructure for many countries in Asia and beyond. It is the leading trading partner of many countries in Asia and the world. Yet there is reason to think that it is vulnerable to the "middle income trap." It may be the "Mexico, Brazil, or South Africa" of Asia rather than achieving high income status. In this course we will look at the "hukou" system that separates its urban from its rural population. We will also look at how China is propelling Asia to world dominance in the 21st century by looking at its relationships with Iran, Burma, and Taiwan in its competition with the United States.

Instructor: David Shawver

Dr. David Shawver lived in China from 1998-2007 when he served as Director of the American International School of Guangzhou. He was President of the Association of China and Mongolia International Schools which gave him the opportunity to travel widely in China. He has also worked or attended university in Iran, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Burma and Thailand during his four decades in schools sponsored by the U.S. State Department.

[Film Discussion Group](#)

Subject Area: Arts/Culture

Fridays: 11 Sessions 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Start:** Fri 9/24/21 **End:** Fri 12/10/21 - **No Class Week of Thanksgiving**

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

We will meet weekly to discuss a film that has been watched by the class. The film selection will be assigned to or voted upon by class members. A class member will lead the discussion for the movie. This class has been ongoing for several years and generates lively and controversial discussions as members dissect and compare films, frequently calling upon their own personal and professional experiences. Please consider volunteering to lead the discussion. A guide to how to lead the discussion will be given out prior to the first session. Currently due to the pandemic movies will be from Netflix and Amazon, and occasionally from the Loft Streaming service, all at additional cost.

Instructor: Rob Getlan

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Rob has always been an avid film enthusiast. This class is a great way to see and discuss new film releases.

[The Civil War in American History](#)

Subject Area: History/Current Events

Fridays: 12 Sessions 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Start:** Fri 9/17/21 **End:** Fri 12/10/21 - **No Class Week of Thanksgiving**

Location: Central Tucson Campus **Class Size:** 40

Course Description

The course will consider the place of the Civil War in the growth and development of the United States from its colonial roots, through independence and constitution in the 18th century through the U.S. we know today in the 21st century. Emphasis will be placed on how historical interpretations of these events and the activities of the leaders involved have evolved in recent years.

We will pay attention to:

--The role black slavery played in the U.S. until 1860, the compromises made to avoid conflicts between states and regions, and the economic development of the north, the South, and the West, and how these factors influenced the outcome of the war.

--The strategy, tactics and logistical doctrines used by both sides in the actual armed conflict, and how economics, demographics, leadership, and world events influenced the outcome.

--The military and political turning points in the conflict.

--The history of post-conflict efforts to restore and maintain unity: Reconstruction of the South, race relations, civil rights and racial equality.

--The memories and legacies of the War, and their influence on the history of the U.S. since the end of the war. Sessions will include video lectures and presentations by leading Civil War scholars with class discussions and possible presentations on selected topics.

Instructor: Paul Waugaman

Paul Waugaman has been an OLLI member since 2013. He retired from a career in research management in the Federal Government, academia, and consulting. History has been an interest throughout his life. He has concentrated on the Civil War and the evolution of American government and politics. He has taught U.S. History part-time at the college level; and as a consultant, senior manager, and study leader, has developed and presented educational experiences in professional development for adults.