The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at William & Mary is dedicated, particularly but not exclusively, to persons age 50 or older, who seek learning, enrichment, and keeping in touch with the larger world. We strive to provide outstanding educational opportunities for members to explore varied topics via courses, lectures, special events and activities in environments that encourage sharing and fellowship.

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Registering for and attending events at William & Mary conveys a shared expectation of abiding by university policy, which is subject to change as conditions warrant. As of March 29, 2022, masking is optional both indoors and outdoors, with masking especially encouraged in large gatherings. Masks are required for students visiting the Student Health Center, for staff in the clinic, and for anyone using public transportation. COVID-19 vaccination and boosters are strongly encouraged for all William & Mary students, employees and external visitors, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance. We create these shared expectations of event participants in keeping with William & Mary’s core values of Belonging within this community and Respect for one another as individuals, and in recognition of the risks inherent to gathering amid pandemic.

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Fall 2022 Courses and activities are taught in-person unless otherwise noted.
I hope that this letter finds each of you doing well. As I write this letter today, the office is bustling with activity as we move to our new location in New Town.

We’re now at 5330 Discovery Park Blvd – not far from our old location (just across the parking lot) and fittingly called “Discovery 3”.

We are still awaiting furnishings for our new open concept classroom (dividers, projectors, and draperies for example) and while we expect that all these items will be in place by the time we start classes in September, we thank you in advance for your patience if they are not.

The pandemic is still impacting the supply line and many of our items have been on backorder. However, we’re not going to let that dampen our spirit for teaching and learning to continue in our new space! Discovery 3 brings together both the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and the Conference & Event Services departments at William & Mary. So, I wanted to take a brief moment to introduce to you the team members you’ll be seeing there. Ann Covington and Phoebe Williams are Osher team members supporting the program and many of you have known them for many years now.

We also have a new Associate Director who has joined the team, Laurie Hesser. Laurie is looking forward to meeting all of our members and instructors and diving right in to the Fall Semester following her relocation from Dallas, Texas in July! Jeanine McDougal and Danielle Snyder are coordinators with Conference & Event Services and you’ll find their offices in Discovery 3 as well.

At the time that I’m writing this letter, we’re still conducting a search for the Associate Director of Conference & Event Services and preparing to begin a search for a fiscal administrator (so, once filled, there will be a couple more people in Discovery 3).

We hope you all have enjoyed some of the new Shared Interest Groups (SIG’s) that rolled out in Fall 2021. If you’re interested in starting a SIG, please reach out to us! And, for those who might be wondering, we are continuing to offer different classes in-person and others on Zoom moving forward. We hope this continues to keep Osher accessible to as many members as possible. We’re sure you will find several courses, activities, and one-time lectures that will spark your interest this semester and wish you a happy fall of teaching and learning!

Here’s to a wonderful Fall Semester, stay safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

Mariellynn D. Maurer, CCEP, RYT-200
Director of Conference & Event Services and Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at William & Mary

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WOW, What a Life! Sharing the WOW

Prerequisite Course: An Engagement/Interaction of Life’s Experiences/Situations and How We React From Day to Day

You left course one all fired up, ready to look at your life and reboot it in all key areas. Some of you put that plan in place and are living it. Or, you may have been well intended, but you fell back into your normal routine. Reflecting on student comments and personal conversations, many wish we had more time to share, more time to inspire and keep the momentum going. This gave birth to SHARING THE WOW. Bringing us back together on a monthly basis to enhance our initial objective of putting the WOW back into our lives. Or maybe, more importantly, sharing our thoughts and life’s experiences and situations with one another. One situation feeds another, and one solution is contagious. All of a sudden, the factor is popping up all over. Monthly sessions will be highly interactive with a lot of fun along the way. It will be like a real homecoming! Remember the MAGIC lies in the sharing.

If you are interested in keeping the WOW factor in your life, send an email to badofran@gmail.com.

Animal Friends

Animal Friends is an action/discussion group for everyone who loves animals. We share information and discuss animal-related issues, resources, and events in Greater Williamsburg. Its members have a common bond of love and care for their pets and are passionate about the humane treatment of all animals.

Animal Friends has an active 800+ member Facebook presence. We plan monthly meetings on animal-related topics, including topics such as vet care, cat and dog programs, small critters, training, grooming, breeds, rescues and shelters, support groups, legislative initiatives and more.

If you are interested in becoming a part of this active group of animal lovers, email animalfriends@cox.net. Hosted by Williamsburg’s very own Pet Reporter.

If you are interested in starting a shared interest group, contact us at osher@wm.edu. We are looking to feature more in coming semesters!

The American Wisdom Project

The American Wisdom Project is a pilot research and teaching curriculum of the Innermost House Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization based in California and Virginia. The Project exists to bring an American Wisdom Tradition into focus, through which to illuminate the great wisdom traditions of the larger world. It focuses on Williamsburg and early Virginia as a crossroads of East and West, North and South, Old and New. It develops from Williamsburg in the 18th century to Concord and Walden Pond in the 19th century, to the Far West in the 20th century, and beyond to their roots in the cultures of Native America, Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Africa. It comprehends nature, art, thought, and spirituality as humanistic disciplines of the individual person, drawing upon local and national resources for class instruction, team-teaching, and off-site learning. Like its ancient forebear at Oxford University, Literae Humaniores, the American Wisdom Project is a laboratory for the cultivation of a “more humane learning.”

Williamsburg Area Genealogical Society

Interested in genealogy and family history? Join us! For the past two years, our group has met once a month to share our successes and brick walls, made local field trips to research libraries and other facilities, found new friends, and had a lot of fun along the way. Whether you are an experienced genealogical researcher or a beginner, we would love to have you join!

If interested in joining this group, please email wags1607@yahoo.com.

Fall 2022 Offerings

A Shorter Introduction to the American Wisdom Tradition

Lost Virginia: The Virginia House & The Beginning of the American Wisdom Tradition

Sunset in the West: Robinson Jeffers and the End of the American Wisdom Tradition

The City of God: A Philosophical Garden Tour
Interested in Teaching for Osher?

If you’ve thought about teaching an Osher class, but have been uncertain as to what is involved or how to proceed, then this is the class for you. In this two-hour session, a panel of veteran Osher instructors will answer your questions and explain how to get started.

These instructors will guide you through the process of becoming an instructor and proposing a course. They will provide useful insights about the kinds of courses our members like, and the best teaching methods for adult learners. They will help you figure out how to organize, deliver and present your course. And, if you are interested, they will continue to work with you as you propose a course and prepare to teach it. You’ll wonder why you waited so long!

Call 757-221-1506 or email osher@wm.edu if interested.

Take a Campus Tour

Are you new to the area? Have you lived here for a while but never explored the campus that is at the center of our town?

As an Osher member you are part of the academic community of William & Mary. Here’s your chance to stroll along shaded pathways, through gardens and woods, and past the historic buildings, guided by someone who knows and loves the campus – a graduate of the college who is now an Osher member.

Watch for more information and tour dates this Fall in the Osher newsletter.
What is Blackboard?

Blackboard is a popular Web-based learning environment that improves instructor and student experiences through a rich set of features that support active learning. Within Blackboard, you can save and access course-related documents, and easily interact with other course participants using Blackboard’s built-in chat, email, and discussion board tools. With everything related to the course in one central place, you can stay connected to the course both during the times when class is in session but also any other time as well! You don’t have to be a technology guru to take advantage of these courses, but you do need a sense of adventure and a willingness to explore new technologies and skills. Instructors will work to keep the baseline expectations low so that the adjustment to this new platform is manageable.

How is Blackboard Different Than Zoom?

Zoom is a terrific platform for meetings and webinars, and as we have all seen during the pandemic, it can be successfully adapted for online courses, too. But unlike Blackboard, it is not a full-blown learning management system with a nice set of tools designed for active classroom learning. If you have taken an Osher Zoom class, you most likely noticed the more passive nature of the course – instructors mostly talk and students mostly listen. Zoom also doesn’t let you save all the documents related to the course within the Zoom session and the only time you have access to the course and its participants is during the actual times the class meets.

Will Blackboard Replace Zoom and/or Osher In-Person Classes?

No! It is our plan to continue to explore various learning options and their potential benefit to our special community of learners. In-person learning, because of all the social advantages we missed during the pandemic, will remain our primary focus. But we plan to continue offering classes online as well and our Leadership Council and Curriculum Committee keep on the lookout for new opportunities and ways to deliver classes. As always, we will rely on the feedback of our members to help drive future offerings.

Feeling Adventurous? Register for a Blackboard Course!

You’ll find the course descriptions for Blackboard Courses in the subjects to which they correspond in the catalog. They’ll be formatted within a green border and marked “Blackboard Course” to differentiate them from other offerings on Zoom.

There is no chalk or dusty erasers involved. Join us in a new online learning community.
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Want to attend courses offered by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at William & Mary?

Don’t have $150 on hand? Apply for a 100% scholarship.

Several scholarships sponsored by the Institute are available to be awarded this semester to individuals age 50 or older who have an annual combined household adjusted gross income of $50,000 or less.

The scholarships (funded by a grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation) pay the full cost of a Regular membership at the Institute, which includes registration and parking for up to eight semester courses and unlimited one-time lectures.

Applications are available online at www.wm.edu/osher under About Us, Membership.

BECOME AN OSHER

Osher operates best when its members participate.

Talk to a committee member or our Osher staff about these great volunteer opportunities. Training will be provided for any who wish to assist. If interested, email us at osher@wm.edu.

1 Teach a course
2 Serve as a class host (in-person or via Zoom)
3 Serve as a class assistant (in-person)
4 Write articles for newsletters
5 Take photographs of classes and events
6 Help in Our Office
7 Help instructors create powerpoint presentations
8 Serve on the membership Experience Committee (help organize events and receptions)
9 Serve on the Curriculum Committee (shape curriculum and recruit instructors)
10 Serve on the Finance Committee (help with marketing, publicity, and reviewing member rates and fees)
ATTENDANCE

You must be a Regular Member in order to register for courses, one-time lectures and activities (including Town & Gown Noon Lectures), or an Associate Member in order to register for the Town & Gown Noon Lecture Series or special events. Please select your courses and lectures with the intention of attending every session. Absences result in underused classroom space and prevent attendance by members who are on wait lists.

DROPPING A COURSE

If you need to drop a course before it begins, please notify the Osher Institute at W&M office at (757) 221-1506 so they may contact the first person on the wait list to fill the available seat.

GUESTS

Osher Institute at W&M courses, one-time lectures, and activities (including Town & Gown Noon Lecture Series) are intended for Osher members. A member’s guest may attend a course or an activity once (one single 2-hour session on a single date), only if the course is not fully subscribed. Local guests must be considering joining the Osher Institute at W&M. Please contact the Osher office regarding guests you may be interested in bringing. The Osher office will be able to tell you if your guest request is approved. Please be prepared to share guest contact information, as it must be provided prior to any guest attending.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

The Osher Institute at W&M will cancel courses/activities/events/training for weather if W&M University events and activities are canceled. A notice will be on the Osher Institute at W&M office voice mail (757-221-1506). Please note, you will not be personally contacted. This policy applies to both in-person and Zoom classes.

NAME TAGS

Registrants will receive their name tag by email approximately one week before the semester begins. Name tag holders will be available on the first day of your in-person course. Please wear your name tag to all Osher Institute at W&M events.

REFUNDS

Please note that the Osher Institute at William & Mary fees are membership fees. They are used to cover overall expenses of operating our lifelong learning program in a given semester and are not directly related to the number of courses you may take (i.e., there are no “per course” fees, and therefore, no “per course” refunds). Members are free to register for open courses (up to 8 courses max) at any time, even after a semester begins.

The deadline for a refund of the membership fee is the first day of the semester: **September 12, 2022**. Cancellation processing fee: $10 for regular membership and $5 for associate membership. Please send a written request with brief explanation of why you are canceling to osher@wm.edu.
Benefits to Registering Online

Our online system is a quick and convenient way to register for regular and associate memberships, sign up for courses, add activities, and access your schedule. Register at https://wm.irisregistration.com/Site/OSH2022REGFALL. Returning members use code OSH2022REGFALL is prompted. You are able to pay online via VISA, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Please be aware that your online membership purchase will show on your bank statement as TNWM-CNFSVC-OSHER (our payment gateway).

Fall Registration Session Dates

Registration request period begins: July 25, 2022
Registration request period ends: July 29, 2022
Course confirmation emails sent out: August 15-19, 2022

*Registration system will shut down at 5pm, July 29 and reopen at 8am August 19. Registration will then continue through November 30, 2022 at 5pm.

U.S. Mail Registration

Paper registration is an alternative for those that don’t have access to a computer. While we encourage all registrations to be submitted online, we want to accommodate everyone. A mail-in form is available in this catalog. Complete and mail hard-copy registrations and payment to: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, William & Mary, P.O. Box 8795, Williamsburg, VA 23187 by July 20, 2022. Mailed registrations received after 5pm July 29 will be added into classes based on availability.

Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 21-25, 2022
No Classes This Week
American History

Interpreting the Past
Karen McPherson
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

Historiography is the study of the methods that historians use to develop a systematic understanding of the past -- the study of the way history is written. Non-historians often believe that there is a common understanding of what happened in the past. Historians, on the other hand, know that their discipline is one of argument, not agreement. In this interactive class, we will look at how historians build their understanding of the past and then explain it to non-historians. We will examine some case studies of how our understanding of history has “changed” because of the work of historians.

Reading Suggested: The Purpose of the Past by Gordon S. Wood

Karen McPherson graduated from William & Mary and has an M.A. and Ph.D. in government from Catholic University and an M.A. in history from George Mason University. She also taught government and history in the public school system.

“The Fixing the Boys”- 250 Years of American Wartime Plastic Surgery
John McCraw
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

Wartime is the great teacher of surgeons. The Revolutionary War had only five trained surgeons. By the Civil War, burns were treated, and legs were saved for the first time. Trench warfare in World War I created a need for reconstruction of the face, nose and eyelids. The artillery and long-range aircraft in World War II produced mangled hands, legs and burned faces. Korea brought Mash hospitals and destructive AK-47 wounds. The massive wounds of the Vietnam War required entirely new muscle-skin flaps, burn hospitals and shock treatments. It was called “Fixing the Boys.”

John McCraw practiced reconstructive surgery of the face, spine, chest, breast, abdomen and extremities for 39 years. He trained at the Universities of Missouri, Virginia, Duke, Florida and Emory. He served in the U.S. Air Force, during the Vietnam War, and is Emeritus Professor at the University of Mississippi.

Lace was the Fashion in 18th and 19th Century America
Carolyn Cerini
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
11/30/2022 - 11/30/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
30 seats available

Americans have always been known for their fashion sense. This class will explore whether Americans tried to dress like Europeans with their use of lace in the 18th & 19th centuries, or developed their own style. We will look at how they found out about what others were wearing.

Carolyn Cerini has a B.S. in chemistry and an M.A.T. from Fairleigh Dickinson University. She taught high school chemistry, then taught at Northern Virginia Community College before employment with the federal government for 30 years. She has testified in court as an expert witness, and given talks to government agencies on a variety of topics. Carolyn has been a lace-maker since 2001.

The Family Grant: For His Bicentennial
Feather Foster
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/27/2022 - 11/10/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

In session one of this course, we will discuss the first 40 years: Grant’s childhood, education, and career. His romance and marriage to Julia Dent was arguably the most important event in his life. In session two, we will discuss the next 15 years. After some decidedly thin years filled with failure and dead ends, the Civil War and U.S. Grant coincide. He becomes the Great General. Julia and the four children are never apart for long. The Presidency is offered for services rendered. Good times and bad times. In the final session, we will discuss the last bad, sad, and very great years. The Family Grant is a unit. They save him, and he saves them. ADD ON: This is to celebrate the 200th birthday of Ulysses S. Grant. A great general, a decent enough President, but a superb family man. Week 1: A close look at USG and his folks, and Julia and her folks. Week 2: The lean times and the War. Week 3: The last twenty years, their kids and their devoted family life. Being surrounded by the ones he loved best (and he loved them dearly) provided his happiest times.

Feather Foster spent more than 35 years in advertising before starting a retirement career that has centered on First Ladies of the United States, specifically the old gals. She has written four books on the subject. The latest is Mary Lincoln’s Flannel Pajamas and Other Stories from the First Ladies’ Closet.

Education in America - From McGuffey Readers to Critical Race Theory
James Morford
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
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The course will review the history of public schooling in the United States. We will assess the effect of reformers such as Horace Mann, John Dewey, Fanny Jackson Coppin, Nicholas Murray Butler, Lucy Wheelock, and Patsy Mink. Consideration will be given to the many factors that influence education such as geography, culture, religion, and economics. We’ll discuss two land-mark Supreme Court cases and consider the impact of teacher unions, politics, and technology. Planned are panel discussions on K-12 and higher education.

Jim Morford is a former public school social studies teacher and part-time Rutgers University instructor. For over 30 years he was a registered government relations agent in New Jersey, where he worked with state government officials and the New Jersey congressional delegation. Presently retired, he remains a partner in a consulting firm based in Trenton, New Jersey.

The Good Life: from Rock Around the Clock to Camelot

Marilyn Younger
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/7/2022 - 10/21/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

What was life like for those living in the U.S. from the end of the Korean Conflict to the assassination of John Kennedy? On the surface we lived ideal lives when everyone had hope and appeared to be moving toward security in a stable job, owning a home and a new car (with stylish fins). In the early days President Eisenhower kept the peace and established stability. JFK took us from hope of stability to an exciting vision of a dynamic future to include landing on the moon. Underneath the placid days we faced the cold war, paranoia about the USSR, and the Cuban missile crisis. This is a continuation of the prior social history classes Between the Wars and Home Fires. The goal is to better understand the lives our parents lived and those many of us experienced as children.

Marilyn Younger retired from the Social Security Administration where she served as Director of the Data Exchange Program. She has a B.A. and M.A. in history and is a certified instructor for various leadership classes. She works part time as an interpreter for Colonial Williamsburg and is a Certified Interpretive Guide of the National Association for Interpretation.

From Colony to Commonwealth: An Examination of the Primary Sources

Mark Howell
Friday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/28/2022 - 11/11/2022
School of Ed, Room 2000
30 seats available

It is all too easy to genericize the 18th century as the “Colonial Era.” But Virginians underwent a sea of change in the last quarter of the century. Politically, socially, economically, religiously . . . there was not an aspect of life that was not affected to some degree by the assertion of independence and the war. Participants will have an opportunity to read, analyze, and discuss transcriptions of rarely seen documents—including government documents, newspaper ads, diaries, and personal letters—that reveal these changes.

Reading Suggested: The Revolution in Virginia, 1775-1783 by John Selby

Mark Howell is Director of Education at the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation and has also worked at Colonial Williamsburg and the Library of Virginia. He is passionate about using primary documents in training and programming to evoke a sense of the past for staff and visitor alike.

Seeing the Future: Olmsted’s America

Patricia Ryther
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/4/2022 - 10/18/2022
Zoom
35 seats available

Before he became the nation’s first landscape architect, Frederick Law Olmsted was a failed sailor, farmer, writer, and gold miner. His writings influenced international opinion on slavery, and his vision created a system of parks which would remain relevant for hundreds of years, and serve all the people. With dogged perseverance, battling through personal tragedies, he made it happen. This course will focus on Olmsted’s life and world, a time of civil war, rapid nation-building, and the beginning of the American park system.

Patricia Ryther is retired from a career in banking and insurance, where her jobs included writing user manuals and other nonfiction. She has a degree in English literature and has taught at the community college level. In retirement, she is pursuing her lifelong interest in fiction writing.

The Lost Cause: How the South’s post - Civil War Propaganda Campaign Won the Peace

Donna Dodenhoff
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
2 session(s)
10/24/2022 - 10/31/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

In the aftermath of the Union Army’s victory, influential Southerners began
mounting a propaganda campaign aimed at reasserting the South’s white supremacist social order. Drawing on recent scholarship this lecture will explore the potent role the South’s interpretation of the Civil War and Reconstruction played in legitimating the South’s, and the nation’s, systemic racism.


Lost Virginia: The Virginia House and the Beginning of the American Wisdom Tradition

Michael Lorence
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
9/13/2022 - 9/13/2022
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Before there was Williamsburg there was the Virginia House, an architectural and cultural form very different from all succeeding forms, yet which anticipated them. At the heart of that earlier tradition lay what was perhaps the first house-form to emerge from English precedent on North American soil: the “Virginia Frame” house. How could thousands of such houses and the civilization they represent have once populated the whole Tidewater region, and then disappeared almost without a trace? What can the Virginia House tells us about who we would be become as Americans? Classroom and optional field trip.

Michael Lorence is president of The Innermost House Foundation in San Francisco, California, director of the American Wisdom Project and the Virginia House Project in Williamsburg, Virginia, and a past director of the Thoreau Society in Concord, Massachusetts. He has for thirty years provided cultural guidance to leaders in the worlds of industry, state, and the professions.

A Shorter Introduction to the American Wisdom Tradition

Michael Lorence
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
9/20/2022 - 9/20/2022
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Is there a compelling tradition of wisdom in American life? The world looks to the example of America for many things, but seldom for wisdom. Yet through the length of American history runs a current of “plain living and high thinking” that draws upon the world’s many wisdom traditions, at last to reflect that ancient light back to the world as something radically new. This course is a shortened version of the three-meeting introduction we have offered in the past, equally appropriate to new students and to those who have attended the longer course. A highly visual introduction to the American Wisdom Tradition.

Michael Lorence is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 14 for a full bio.

Sunset in the West: Robinson Jeffers and the End of the American Wisdom Tradition

Michael Lorence
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)


The Military Trail of the Lincoln Assassination Conspirators

Paul Severance
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
10/4/2022 - 10/4/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
30 seats available

The controversial military trial of the eight primary conspirators involved in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln in April 1865 was both extensive, legally complex, and frequently misunderstood. As a consequence, many of the fascinating facets of the Lincoln conspirator’s trial - - both legal and human interest - - remain shrouded in the mists of historical inquiry, and for many, the Lincoln assassination conspirators’ trial remains largely unexplored territory. This presentation will peel back many of the misty historical shrouds that surround this unique of military tribunal with a view towards understanding the recent post 9-11 military commissions.

Paul Severance served as a docent, and historian at the Lincoln Conspirators Trial courtroom at Fort
**McNair in Washington DC. Since February 2013, Paul has conducted more than 500 presentations on the Lincoln Assassination, the manhunt, apprehension and incarceration of the conspirators and their military trial and verdicts.**

**The Lincoln Murder Conspiracies**

**Paul Severance**
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am  
1 session(s)  
10/11/2022 - 10/11/2022  
School of Ed, Room 1056  
30 seats available

Although the “formal” historical record of Lincoln’s assassination clearly established that John Wilkes Booth and a small cohort of followers murdered Abraham Lincoln and attempted to kill other high government officials, a number of different (and captivating) conspiracies theories have emerged, gained traction, and achieved varying levels of prominence and support over the past 157 years. This course will endeavor to “unpack” and deconstruct these major conspiracy theories and probe their genuses as well as the “evidence” supporting each of the seven major conspiracy theories associated with the assassination of Lincoln.

**Reading Suggested:** *The Lincoln Murder Conspiracies* by William Hanchett

*Paul Severance is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 14-15 for a full bio.*

**Keeping Your Feet Dry: The Geography Military Water Crossings**

**Paul Severance**
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am  
1 session(s)  
10/18/2022 - 10/18/2022  
School of Ed, Room 1056  
30 seats available

This presentation will address the military geographic aspects of the combat water crossings in **OPERATION MARKET-GARDEN** (A Bridge Too Far in 1944 and Remagen in 1945. The presentation will address a wide array of geographic factors, principles, and influences that played a role in the planning and execution of these two operations. This comprehensive analysis will extend to climate and weather, hydrography, topography and microterrain, infrastructure, and human influence on the geography (villages, bridges, farms, etc.) The underlying foundation of this presentation is that Geography is a “First Principle” in the planning, resourcing, and execution of major military operations.

**Reading Suggested:** *Battling the Elements: Weather and Terrain in the Conduct of War* by Harold A. Winters, with Gerald E. Galloway, Jr., William J. Reynolds, and David W. Rhyne. *A Bridge Too Far* by Cornelius Ryan.

Paul Severance possesses a Ph.D. from Virginia Tech and was a Professor of Strategy and Professor of Military Science at the National Defense University in Washington, DC, for 25 years, before his retirement. Dr. Severance taught elective courses in Military Geography and has conducted staff rides of **OPERATION MARKET-GARDEN.**

**Reconstruction, Jim Crow and The Election of 1876**

**Bill Fetsko**
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am  
1 session(s)  
10/25/2022 - 10/25/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
130 seats available

A culminating event to the Reconstruction period after the U. S. Civil War was the presidential election of 1876. In one of the most corrupt elections in American history, the Hayes - Tilden race basically brought this era to an end. Reconstruction failed to achieve many of the goals initially established for it, however, the future course of the Nation both economically and socially was to be determined. A brief overview of the Reconstruction period will provide the basis for an in-depth study of the 1876 election. Final attention will be paid to the implications of Hayes victory relative to national unity and race relations.

Bill Fetsko is a former public school teacher and administrator who currently is a curriculum consultant with Colonial Williamsburg. After 35 years in public education, he relocated to Williamsburg where he has assisted with the Foundation’s educational programs including their Summer Teacher Institute.

**Understanding the Battle of the Little Bighorn**

**Timothy Wray**
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am  
1 session(s)  
10/20/2022 - 10/20/2022  
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre  
250 seats available

The Battle of the Little Bighorn in 1876 remains eternally fascinating because no one knows for certain exactly what transpired there. Drawing on scholarly histories, original government documents, the recollections of White and Native American participants, and recent archaeological findings, this presentation will explore (1) the battle’s historical context; (2) the organization, leadership, weapons, tactics, and relative strengths and weaknesses of each side; (3) the events before, during, and immediately after the battle; (4) post-battle myths and controversies; and (5) the battle’s tragic legacy, including the 7th Cavalry’s massacre of nearly 300 peaceable Lakota (Sioux) at Wounded Knee in 1890.

Tim Wray is a USMA graduate and retired Army officer. He has an M.A. in history from Stanford and taught military history at West Point. He has a personal interest in the Battle of the Little Bighorn and has read much of the scholarly and popular literature...
Jefferson and Adams: Friends Divided

Thomas Thompson
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
Wmnb Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Jefferson & Adams: Friends Divided. “You and I ought not to die, before We have explained ourselves to each other,” Adams’ letter to Jefferson. Friends for many years and then estranged for over a decade when, without warning, Adams’ letter arrived on Jefferson’s doorstep. And Jefferson responded! 13 years of letters back and forth would follow with both men, described by Dr. Benjamin Rush as “the North and South Poles of the American Revolution” sharing their views of what the revolution meant. We will look at the friendship of these giants, their falling out and their reconciliation.

Reading Suggested: They Never Threw Anything Away by Ed Linz

Ed Linz majored in Mathematics at the U.S. Naval Academy and holds Masters degrees from Christ Church College, Oxford in Economics and Education from George Mason University. He is the author of 4 books and is currently researching for a new book on the Vietnam War.

The City of God: A Philosophical Garden Tour

Michael Lorence
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
10/17/2022 - 10/17/2022
Colonial Williamsburg Gardens, CW Gardens
20 seats available

This hour-long walking tour of the town and gardens along Palace Street in Colonial Williamsburg examines the city through the philosopher’s eyes. Do gardens have meaning? Is architecture more than shelter and decoration? Is there a difference in Williamsburg and what difference does it make to us? What role can a city play in the pursuit of wisdom? Colonial Williamsburg Good Neighbor Pass required.

Michael Lorence is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 14 for a full bio.

The Battle of Hampton Roads: USS Monitor vs. CSS Virginia

Mike Collier
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
2 session(s)
10/26/2022 - 11/2/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
30 seats available

The Battle of Hampton Roads, 8-9 March 1862, was instrumental in both the Civil War and future of naval warfare. It was the first battle in history between ironclads: the Union’s USS Monitor and the Confederacy’s CSS Virginia (not the Merrimack). The course includes a first day 2-hour classroom lecture on the path to war, construction of the two ships, the battle, and its aftermath. A second 2-hour class provides a guided tour of the USS Monitor Center at the Newport News Mariners’ Museum.


Mike Collier graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. After a career as a U.S. Coast Guard officer, he pursued a second career in higher education. He holds an MS and Ph.D. He is a docent at the Newport News Mariners’ Museum.

Art, Film & Music

Down These Mean Streets

Thomas Thompson
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
6 session(s)
9/12/2022 - 10/17/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

What is Film Noir? Essentially psychological narratives with the action, however violent or fast-
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paced, less significant than faces, gestures, words, that is, the truth of the characters; character studies and sociological investigations; a psychological atmosphere marking a response to an increasingly realistic and understandable anxiety—about war, shortages, changing gender roles, and “a world gone mad.” We will again view six different examples of all this, films we’ve not shown before, with protagonists disabused from believing that the lights will always turn green for them or that their luck will never run out.

Reading Suggested: Film Noir: The Dark Side of the Screen by Foster Hirsch. Dark City: The Lost World of Film Noir by Eddie Muller.

Thomas Thompson has a B.A. and M.A. in religious knowledge. He worked for a medical testing laboratory serving clients in the New York area, and became the employee ombudsman for the company’s managers nationwide. Once retired, he was invited by the American Association of Retired Persons to become a trainer, running workshops across the country.

The World of Oriental Rugs
Frank Shaia
Tuesday, 5:30-7:30pm
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
40 seats available

This course will feature an overview of the oriental rug industry. It will include the history of rugs from some of the oldest known through those of modern times. It will explain what makes an oriental rug, where they are from, and the various types. While the focus will be on Persian rugs, the course will cover rugs from nearby countries. It will also cover how rugs are woven, rug weaving and looms, the method of preparing the wool, and the dyeing process.

Frank Shaia is a second-generation rug dealer. In 1973, Frank’s older brother, Joseph, opened an oriental rug store in Williamsburg. Frank joined him shortly after and later bought the shop. While the shop specializes in fine new rugs, Frank spends most of his time with antique rugs and exhibits at antique shows.

Women in Art, Fashionistas in Art, and John Singer Sargent
Patricia Rublein, Georgiana Avioli
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
9/14/2022 - 9/28/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

Join Muscarelle Docents Georgianna S. Avioli and Patricia Rublein as they explore three intriguing topics from the realm of art. Georgianna will present “Women in Art,” asking why women’s works are singled out from men’s and which women significantly influenced the art world. Georgianna will also present “Fashionistas in Art,” an examination of artists’ depiction of fashionable garb, from art across centuries and cultures. Patricia will offer “John Singer Sargent (1856-1925) – Beyond the Portraits.” Portraiture consumed Sargent’s career, but his talent went well beyond his portrayal of fashionably dressed, beautiful women of high society.

Georgianna Avioli was a mathematics adjunct lecturer the William & Mary for 23 years who took advantage of auditing art history classes while there. She has been a docent at the Muscarelle Museum of Art for over 20 years.

Patricia Rublein has a B.A. in the history of art from William & Mary. She has worked as the executive director of the Cultural Alliance of Hampton Roads and is currently a docent at the Muscarelle Museum of Art.

A Public Encounter with a Private Impressionist: Edgar Degas
Sandra Stephan, Harry Chancey
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
11/28/2022 - 11/28/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

If you missed the Muscarelle Museum of Art exhibition “Edgar Degas, The Private Impressionist, Works on Paper by the Artists and His Circle” last spring, it’s not too late. Docents Sandra Stephan and Harry Chancey will introduce you to the private artist, his unconventional techniques, and his influence on modern art with a richly illustrated and lively presentation. Degas said, “Art is not what you see, but what you make others see.” Our virtual exhibition tour will be as if we are looking over the shoulder of this impressionist master and perhaps a bit into his soul.

“\nThe Zoom classes I’ve attended so far this semester have been excellent both technology-wise and in terms of content and teaching I am so glad Osher decided to go with Zoom instead of just not having classes this semester.\\n
– Rosanne Butler, Osher member

Harry Chancey was Program Director for WNET/13 Public Television in New York and won an Emmy Award.
for his arts appreciation documentary “Musing” with Thomas Hoving.

Sandra Stephan holds a PhD in English Literature and is chair of the Muscarelle Museum of Art Docents Program. Both have taught a multitude of topics in a variety of venues.

Medieval Art – The Antecedent to the Italian Renaissance

Jan Smith
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
1 session(s)
11/1/2022 - 11/1/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

Studies in Western art often focus on the classical worlds of Egypt, Greece, and Rome followed by a fast forward to the beginning of the Italian Renaissance. But what happened to art during the almost thousand years between the fall of the Western Roman Empire and the emergence of the Renaissance masters? The answer is a lot happened! This course will travel through time to the medieval world of Europe, exploring its many rich and beautiful accomplishments in art and architecture. No previous knowledge or experience is required.

Dan Sherman is an economist who has presented 25 courses on musical theatre and other topics at Osher Lifelong Learning Institute sites in Northern Virginia. He has also lectured for Wagner Societies and college alumni groups. He has a Ph.D. in economics from Cornell University.

We’ll always have Paris: Enjoying Casablanca

Dan Sherman
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Although conceived as a standard studio film, Casablanca was quickly recognized as a great romantic film, full of memorable characters and iconic lines, all supported by one of Hollywood’s greatest scores. This course will provide the backstory to the film, place it within the studio production system, and tell how it developed from an unfinished script when shooting began into the Best Picture of 1942. The course will include clips from the movie, discuss its actors and creators, and highlight reasons for its appeal.

Dan Sherman is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 19 for a full bio.

Celebrating Stephen Sondheim

Dan Sherman
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
9/16/2022 - 9/16/2022
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Stephen Sondheim was one of the most influential composers and lyricists in American musical theatre. He was celebrated for the versatility of his shows and the depth of his lyrics. This talk will review Sondheim’s life and astonishing range of work. We’ll hear Sondheim himself presenting and discussing his work, including his comments on the recent West Side Story film. Participants will receive extensive materials after the talk to further learn about Sondheim and his work.

Dan Sherman taught Biblical Hebrew at William & Mary for 19 years and served as the artistic and general director. She studied art history at the Glassell School of Art and the Women’s Institute of Houston, and medieval church architecture through the University of Oxford’s continuing education program.

Sondheim Light Opera’s Upcoming Production

Ken Krantz
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
11/14/2022 - 11/14/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

For more than 50 years, the student-run Sinfonicron Light Opera Company has presented Gilbert and Sullivan operas and Broadway musicals to the Williamsburg community. This lecture will examine the history, plot, and music of the company’s January 2023 production. Note: As of the publication of this catalog the company has not announced the 2022 show.

Ken Krantz sang with Sinfonicron as a William & Mary law student, and has performed more than 20 roles in Gilbert and Sullivan operas. A retired Navy JAG officer and federal administrative law judge, he performs with Virginia Opera, the Williamsburg Players, and other companies in the region.

Observe a Working Rehearsal of Opera in Williamsburg

Naama Zahavi-Ely, Jorge Parodi
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
1 session(s)
11/14/2022 - 11/14/2022
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
275 seats available

This is an opportunity to watch a working rehearsal of Opera in Williamsburg for the very popular zarzuela “Luisa Fernanda.” The production will be semistaged, not fully staged like our productions at the Kimball Theatre (which is not available at that time). Zarzuela is Spanish-language operetta and is a highly-developed branch of the opera art world, though not well known outside of Spanish-speaking countries. The production will focus on the musical side and the dramatic aspects of the story. English supertitles will be provided at the rehearsal as a work in progress. Conductor and music director: Maestro Jorge Parodi.

Naama Zahavi-Ely founded Opera in Williamsburg in 2012, & serves as the artistic and general director. She taught Biblical Hebrew at William &
Mary for over a decade before retiring to her birth country, Israel. She believes that Williamsburg is uniquely positioned for intimate performances of opera classics.

Maestro Jorge Parodi is the Music Director of Opera in Williamsburg and has conducted most of its productions. He is also the Artistic Director of Opera Hispanica, a company based in New York City that nurtures Spanish-language and Spanish-themed opera and opera artists. Maestro Jorge Parodi is the Music Director of Opera in Williamsburg and Artistic Director of Opera Hispanica. See www.jorgeparodi.com

Computers & Technology

Modern Computing Devices and How They Work

Peter Henderson

Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am

3 session(s)

11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022

Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room

40 seats available

This course is for people interested in how modern electronic computing devices work - devices such as laptops, desktops, smart phones & watches, tablets, fitbit, smart appliances, etc. All digital devices work on the same fundamental principles. These principles include the stored program computer, digital logic & transistors, central processing unit, microprocessor, memory, storage, algorithms, communication and control, and interface devices such as display, input, navigation and networking.

Peter Henderson spent 34 years as an academic computer scientist and software engineer at The State University of New York at Stony Brook and Butler University. Computer science and computing education was his primary emphasis near the end of his academic career. He is a contributor to two educational columns: Math Counts and Software Engineering Education.

iMovie for iOS (iPad and/or iPhone)

Rick Chase

Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am

3 session(s)

9/14/2022 - 9/28/2022

Zoom

50 seats available

iMovie (IOS version) is a video creation application enabling you to make your own blockbusters using video and photos on your Apple device. You will learn how to browse and select media, make Hollywood style trailers, create beautiful movies, play them back on your Apple devices and Apple TV, and learn how to share them with friends and family. The course will focus on using the iPad, although an iPhone can be used. It is not appropriate for Apple Mac computers.

Reading Suggested: iMovie Help for iPad (FREE) by Apple. iPhone and/or iPad User Guide (FREE).

Rick Chase is a retired, seasoned executive whose last assignment was vice president, customer service and support for Dell. Early in his career with General Electric, he ran their field engineering development center and taught electrical and electronic engineering courses to engineers.

Mastering your iPhone/iPad Camera & Photos Applications

Rick Chase

Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am

3 session(s)

10/26/2022 - 11/9/2022

Zoom

50 seats available

This course will help you master the camera and photo applications on your iPhone and/or iPad. You will learn the camera’s functions and capabilities, still photography, plus cover the video capabilities. The Photos application will be explored, including navigation in the app, photo editing (crop, trim, rotation, etc.), smart adjustments, enhancing less-than-perfect shots, and filters. You will learn how to organize your photo and video media; make and use albums; navigate and find media in your collection. We will also explore the creation and sharing of albums, how to create slideshows with music; and using iCloud.

Reading Suggested: iPhone and/or iPad User Guides (FREE) by Apple.

Rick Chase is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 20 for a full bio.

Microsoft PowerPoint (Microsoft 365): The Basics & Beyond

Rick Chase

Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am

3 session(s)

11/16/2022 - 12/7/2022

Zoom

50 seats available

Whether you are a novice or an
occasional user of PowerPoint (PPT), in this course you will learn the basic PPT toolsets to create, edit, and share professional-looking presentations. A sample of the topics to be covered include (but not limited to): PPT templates and themes, creating a new presentation from scratch, changing the slide layout; adding and editing text, images, charts, video, and animation; formatting slides; adding speaker notes/comments; sharing your presentations; slideshows; creating handouts; and more. I will be using is PPT from Microsoft365; however, if you have PowerPoint 2016 or 2019, these versions are very similar.

Reading Suggested: https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/powerpoint

Rick Chase is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 20 for a full bio.

The Internet

Peter Henderson
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
12/7/2022 - 12/7/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

The Internet is the global system of interconnected computer networks that link computing devices worldwide. It consists of private, public, academic, business, and government networks. The Internet supports a vast range of information resources and services, such as the World Wide Web, email, telephony, messaging, e-commerce, social media, file sharing, etc. It is the result of many innovations in computing over the past 70 years. Major milestones in its evolution will be used to explain what the internet is, and the basics of how it works. Issues relating to home networks, Internet Service Providers, and online security will be addressed.

Peter Henderson spent 34 years as an academic computer scientist and software engineer at The State University of New York at Stony Brook and Butler University. Computer science and computing education was his primary emphasis near the end of his academic career. He is a contributor to two educational columns: Math Counts and Software Engineering Education.

The World of Stealth

John Hickok
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
1 session(s)
10/27/2022 - 10/27/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

The World of Stealth. Stealth is the ultimate game of hide and seek for our military. Stealth is “the major capability that the U.S. has that elevates and distinguishes the U.S. defense force from all other countries. This course will help you understand the major technologies and components of creating “stealth,” the evolution of stealth platforms since World War II, and the latest stealth platform—the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter. The F-35 is the largest and most expensive program in the U.S. Department of Defense, and is being purchased by the U.K., Italy, the Netherlands, Australia, Canada, Norway, Denmark, Japan, Singapore, Israel and Poland.

John Hickok has the following degrees: B.S. engineering/ nuclear physics (USNA), M.S. in aero engineering and M.B.A. (NPGS). He retired after a 48-year career in the Navy (A-6 Intruder Naval Flight Officer and RAF Buccaneer Weapon Systems Officer, acquisition assignments including top secret stealth programs and Navy avionics systems) - and Office of the Secretary of Defense (Sr. professor at Defense Acquisition University, Chief Knowledge Officer).

Fake News, Propaganda, and You

Candice Benjes-Small
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
11/2/2022 - 11/2/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

Let’s learn how propaganda techniques are used to promote fake news, and practice spotting them in the Internet wild to help us become better media consumers.

Candice Benjes-Small began teaching critical thinking courses in 2010, and has been teaching a course about Fake News at William & Mary since
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2019. Head of Research at William & Mary Libraries, she has published numerous articles and co-edited a book about misinformation and disinformation.

**Explaining the 2022 Midterm Elections**

Robert Spitzer
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
10/13/2022 - 10/13/2022
Wmbg Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Midterm congressional elections are viewed as referenda on the sitting president, and to a great extent that is true, especially during these times when local elections have increasingly become nationalized. Yet much more is at play in midterm elections, most of which is beyond the president’s control. The president’s legislative agenda, and the fate of presidential nominees, stands or falls according to party control of Congress. This seminar examines the long-term and short-term factors shaping midterm elections, considers the likely outcome of the 2022 races, and examines its consequences for the balance of President Biden’s term and lead-up to 2024.

**Reading Suggested:** *Is This Any Way to Run a Democratic Election?* by Stephen J. Wayne

Robert J. Spitzer (Ph.D. Cornell) is Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Political Science at SUNY Cortland. He is the author of sixteen books, including four on the presidency and six on gun policy, and over 700 articles, papers, and op-eds on many American politics subjects. He speaks frequently on elections.

**Cyber Threat: From Prank to Warfare**

Michael Richardson
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
9/13/2022 - 9/27/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

In the last 60 years, cyberspace has developed from an academic information exchange to an essential requirement of life. This course traces the development of cyber attacks from the early mainframe computer virus and spam attacks to the recent telecommunication, cloud, and lone home computer attacks. Cyber threats have created a need for new cybersecurity defense initiatives which have in turn led to the development of new and more sophisticated threats.

Michael Richardson, a West Point engineering graduate with a concentration in national security and a master’s degree in international affairs, has served as both a federal employee and a government contractor. He has applied his engineering and management skills to the development of technical security processes in United States embassies and to many of the 450 federalized airports.

**Finance & Economics**

**Taxes in Retirement and Social Security**

Jacob Bales

Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/3/2022 - 10/17/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

In this course, we will review the basics of taxes in retirement and how they may not be what you expect, as well as focusing on the changes from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and SECURE Act may affect you, along with key strategies to consider. We will also have a discussion on Social Security claiming strategies in addition to management tips. The tax portion will have a focus on the basic concepts and policies that work together to create the system we know today. You will learn methods that can help manage the taxes you experience, including proper distribution structure and asset structuring strategies.

Jacob Bales joined James Bales Financial in 2013. Jacob is a fully licensed Registered Representative with Series 7 and Series 66 certifications. He is a co-advisor at James Bales Financial, focusing on planning, research, and advising, including Social Security.

**Lifetime Income Strategies**

Jim Bales

Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/5/2022 - 10/19/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

We will discuss financial education for retirees and planning your income for life. Post-retirement planning is often more difficult than planning for retirement. You are managing your entire nest egg, not collecting paychecks anymore, and have less time to recover your potential mistakes. In this course, you learn time-tested strategies for planning your retirement income that are designed to make your money last.

Jim Bales, registered principal, James Bales Financial, LLC.

My mom called me on break from her first class and she was SO excited to be learning again!

— Dr. Dawn Edmiston, Raymond A. Mason School of Business
Modern Wealth Management
Sean Allburn
Wednesday, 1:30pm-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/5/2022 - 10/19/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

This course acquaints the student with tools essential for sound financial planning and investment management. Financial planning begins by considering your goals with respect to risk exposure, tax environment, liquidity needs, and appreciation vs. income potentials. Sean will encourage your participation as he shares proven strategies to help you achieve your financial goals. He will develop models for portfolio selection to help reduce risk through diversification. He will explore factors affecting financial success, such as: Do you need a plan to triple your income during retirement? Is your financial plan telling you what you need to know? Is there a way to minimize investment risk without sacrificing returns?

Sean Allburn, B.S., Duke University; M.B.A., William & Mary. He has been named in On Wall Street magazine’s Top Brokers” and “Top Advisors under 40” lists and was distinguished by Inside Business magazine as one of the “Top Forty Under Forty” in Hampton Roads. Managing Director, Sean manages Allburn Financial Consulting from the Williamsburg office of Davenport and Company LLC.

Do Only The Rich Have Trusts? Key Strategies Using Trusts in Your Estate Plan
John Burton
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
3 session(s)

Trusts are not just for the wealthy. Trusts can handle any estate size more efficiently than relying on a will alone. What is the difference between revocable and irrevocable trusts? Can trusts protect an estate against probate, taxes, creditor claims and lawsuits? Do trusts protect your assets if you go into a nursing home? This course surveys the uses and vast new planning opportunities trusts can serve in your own estate plan.

John Burton is an experienced estate planning and elder-law attorney who has taught clients, lawyers, and the public on the subjects of estate planning, asset protection, elder law, and business law. He is a graduate of Virginia Wesleyan College, has a J.D. from Regent University School of Law, and is a Certified Estate Planner.

Keith Reagan
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
3 session(s)
11/17/2022 - 12/8/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

A closer look at Central Banks, Sovereign Debt & Currency Manipulation, and their impact on inflation, interest rates, and the stock market. Why portfolio managers use this information and how everyday investors can benefit from this knowledge with regard to principal protection and portfolio gains.

Keith C. Reagan, Sr. is a graduate of William & Mary. His post-graduate work includes executive education at The Wharton School of Business. He has been recognized in the Wall Street Journal as a Five Star Wealth Manager for the last six years. His firm, Reagan Holloway, is a fiduciary portfolio manager on the Fidelity platform.

Estate Planning for Modern Times
Rhiannon Hartman
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/7/2022 - 10/21/2022
School of Ed, Room 2010
32 seats available

The variety of topics covered will examine traditional estate planning strategies, and new considerations in estate planning for our modern times, including the differences between Wills & Trusts; strategies for ever-changing federal estate tax laws; the Secure Act and its impact on retirement asset planning; and planning for transfer of digital assets.

Rhiannon Hartman is an experienced elder-law and estate planning attorney in Williamsburg. She graduated cum laude from the University of Richmond School of Law and has an undergraduate degree from William & Mary.

Understanding Today’s Economic Trends and Issues
Dan Gaske
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
9/14/2022 - 9/28/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

This course examines present-day economic trends, issues, institutions, and markets, both in United States and rest of world, selecting from such topics as: state of US economy / government debt, China’s growing role in international economy, economic sanctions, economics of climate change, impacts of immigration into US, global poverty and the World Bank, Brexit after a year, etc. Exact topics are to be chosen close to course dates based on key issues at that time.
Daniel Gaske has a Ph.D. in economics from Rice University and has taught and led economics training programs for the United States government and numerous universities in the Washington, D.C. area. He is presently an adjunct professor of economics at the Raymond A. Mason School of Business, William & Mary.

The Federal Deficit and Debt Dilemma
Kenneth Winter
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
2 session(s)
10/6/2022 - 10/13/2022
The Federal Deficit and Debt Dilemma
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

The Federal Deficit and Debt Dilemma lecture focuses on federal financial inflows, outflows, and trends. For many years, the federal government consistently pursued and reported unsustainable financial trends, including deficits and debt. Among the untenable trends are an estimated $70 trillion in existing debts, including social insurance promises. If spread across United States households, these obligations average over $500,000 per household. Deficits occur when annual spending exceeds tax inflows. Borrowing (debt) enables deficit spending. This lecture highlights financial trends and options related to the interconnected dilemma of (1) increasing taxes and/or decreasing services (spending) and/or (2) continuing unsustainable borrowing.

Reading Suggested: Maximize Your Medicare (2022-2023 edition) by Jae Oh.

Jae W. Oh, MBA, CFP®, CLU®, ChFC® is a Certified Financial Planner, and a licensed insurance producer in multiple states. He is a nationally recognized Medicare expert, author of Maximize Your Medicare (2022, Skyhorse), frequently quoted in the national media. He has a Master’s Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Chicago, and a Bachelors of Arts (BA) from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

General Studies

Basic Wine Appreciation
Lynn Pryor, Phil Pryor
Monday, 4:00-6:00pm
3 session(s)
9/19/2022 - 10/3/2022
Fords Colony, FC Clubhouse
60 seats available

We will discuss how wine is made, regional differences, hints on ordering at restaurants, wine store buying, tasting techniques, and how to find wine values. We will also look at the marriage of wine and food, talk about how to read wine labels, pricing, and wine storage at home. Wine myths will be uncovered. Note: There will be a $15.00 materials fee due at first session.

Phil Pryor has taught Basic Wine Appreciation for over 19 years. Studied wine at the Academie du Vin in Paris. Former member of Les Amis du Vin and other wine clubs. He established and manages the Wine Society for Ford’s Colony. Graduate of the U.S. Military Academy and has an M.B.A. in operations research/systems analysis from Tulane University.

Lynn Pryor has 30 years of experience attending wine tasting groups, seminars and organizations, and 18 years organizing wine tastings. She also has 35 years of technical experience with computers and presentation software.

An Engagement / Interaction of Life’s Experiences / Situations and How We React From Day To Day Part 1
Fran Bado
Tuesday, 4:30-6:30pm
3 session(s)
10/25/2022 - 11/8/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

It’s all about you! Do you need a life’s reset? How do we approach each day and how does it affect our lives? As we go through our daily routines, do we take advantage of all that surrounds us? We will have fun discussing positive and negative energy areas that motivate us, and how to appreciate the magic of our surroundings. It is highly interactive and you may see life with a different perspective. Take a break, kick back and see where this little road takes you!

Fran Bado is an executive project manager who is certified by the IBM Project Management Institute. He retired from IBM after 54 years and continues to teach across the curriculum of project management. His passion for teaching coupled with his experience assures maximum skill transfer for students.
An Engagement / Interaction of Life’s Experiences / Situations and How We React From Day to Day Part 2
Fran Bado
Tuesday, 4:30-6:30pm
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

As in part one we traveled down our yellow brick road experiencing the six key areas in our lives that help us experience the wow factors that surround us from day to day. We left part one developing specific plans encompassing wow into our lives. Part two now explodes the six key areas of energy, the inner self, words and phrases, colors of life and magical moments in great depth. To do that we encounter fictional characters and their situations encompassing each of the six areas. You will be involved in class exercises putting you in each situation for maximum affect. The class will be highly interactive having fun, but most of all following the road to maximize the wow factor in our every day lives.

Pre-Requisite Course: An Engagement/Interaction of Life’s Experiences/Situations and How We React From Day to Day - Part 1

Fran Bado is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 25 for a full bio.

Television Sports Today
Jim Spence
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/26/2022 - 11/9/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
30 seats available

This course takes students inside the fascinating, compelling and ever-changing world of network television sports. Concentrating on programming and production, topics will include television rights negotiations and commentary. The instructor, who had day-to-day responsibility for all areas of ABC Sports, the most acclaimed television sports organization in history, will draw back the curtain on billion-dollar deals and personalities such as Howard Cosell, Jim McKay, Keith Jackson, Al Michaels, Jim Nantz and Joe Buck.


Creative Genealogy
Karen McPherson
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/26/2022 - 11/9/2022
School of Ed, Room 2066
30 seats available

So you have created your family tree and you have verified some things and disproven others. Now what? In this class we will examine ways to get creative with your genealogy research. The first session will focus on research: What are your goals and methods? The second session will look at organization: How can you keep track of what you are looking for and what you have found? The third session will focus on telling your story: How can you make sure that the results of your research outlive you? This class is best suited for people who have already begun their genealogy research.

Karen McPherson is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 11 for a full bio.

Residential Home Systems
Life Cycles - Why Things Break in Your Home and What to do About it
Joe Cross
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/26/2022 - 11/9/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

Houses are no longer constructed so much as they are assembled from components, like cars. This class in four sessions explores how homes became so complicated, the major systems in your house, what they do and how they work, common housing problems and how to solve them and “smart homes” and new technology that is destined to change the way we live and work.

Joe Cross has a B.A. in architecture and city planning and is the founder of PMA Architects in Newport News. He was the director of construction at Anheuser Busch and a Class A contractor, and has lectured on first-time home buying and home maintenance for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

I enjoy Zoom courses and find them to be an effective way of continuing Osher instruction during the pandemic.
Bob Lund, Osher at W&M Member
Are Psychic Experiences Real - Laboratory Experiments and Case Studies

John Streiff
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/4/2022 - 10/18/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

This course is a survey that presents factual laboratory and case studies that evidence abilities and phenomena often described as "psychic". Major topics include a brief introduction to modern consciousness research, and more in-depth considerations of the scientific evidence for psychic and the criticisms against the viability of these research outcomes. Phenomena including nonlocal consciousness (ESP) and mind-matter interactions will be considered. The course material is drawn from 50 years of study in the relevant material. Attendees need have no prior knowledge of the subject.

John Streiff has studied consciousness science for over 50 years. He is a member of the Academy of Magical Arts in Hollywood, the Society for Scientific Exploration, the Parapsychological Association, and the Society for Psychical Research. He brings an open-minded, critical, evidence-based, skeptical view to the subject modulated by his own personal experiences with psi in life and lab.

How to Fight Right: Resolving Conflict with the Enneagram

Todd Payne
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/25/2022 - 11/8/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

Conflict is normal, healthy, and beneficial, but often feels like banging your head against the wall. The same old ways result in the same old conflict, but is there another way? Learn to handle conflict using the Enneagram. This class will look at conflict styles, people postures, and the threats, temptations, tips, and tools for handling friction and conflict with various Enneagram types. Bring personal questions and case studies so we can discover how to make conflict less painful and more productive! The best thing about banging your head against the wall is how good it feels when you stop!

Todd Payne, KonnectFully founder, is a Life Coach with more than 25 years of experience guiding clients and organizations through intentional transformation. Specializing in teaching and applying the Enneagram to increase awareness, empathy, and communication skills, and to empower positive change, Todd helps individuals realize a fulfilling, authentic life with a sense of purpose.

Unidentified Flying Objects/Unidentified Aerial Phenomena/Are we Alone?

John Hickok
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
Zoom
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Ever wonder if we are the only intelligent beings in the Universe? Recent videos released by the U.S. Navy indicate that maybe we are not! In July of 1947 a supposedly alien craft crashed near Roswell, New Mexico; and the event was quickly covered up by the government. But now there is great interest in the Roswell event and many other sightings. This course will examine the data from the Pentagon on UFOs, now called Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAPs), that is being analyzed by special committees in the Pentagon and reported to Congress to see if these UAPs are any threat to the U.S.. Sensitive videos will be shown. Questions and stories from students will be discussed. This course is the first Osher course of its kind related to UFOs/UAPs.


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Carl von Clausewitz: Highlights from On War

Bill Rhodes
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
1 session(s)
12/8/2022 - 12/8/2022
School of Ed, Room 2016
30 seats available

Carl von Clausewitz is one of the foremost philosophers of war. This mixed lecture/seminar will approach war as a form of social interaction, presenting highlights from the classic (and difficult) work On War. It will cover central themes in Clausewitz’s influential thinking including war’s logic, its grammar, and the famous interactive “trinity” of rationality, irrationality, and chance in conflict.

Bill Rhodes served as a professor and department head at the Air Force Academy and (after retiring from the Air Force) as a researcher, speaker, and consultant, concentrating in professional ethical development in aviation. He is a published author and currently teaches online courses for the military.

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Rick Bleiweiss
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10/4/2022 - 10/4/2022
Zoom
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10/4/2022 - 10/4/2022
Zoom
275 seats available
Share in, and learn from, my life’s journey being an award-winning author, publishing and music industry senior executive, rock performer, university educator, Grammy nominated record producer, mail order video company owner, Times Square tourist business owner, consultant to multiple companies, actor and more. Be inspired by a 77-year-old debut novelist who tries to be an example to others, especially seniors, that age shouldn’t stop you from trying new things.

Rick Bleiweiss has been a publishing executive, author, newspaper and magazine columnist, music industry executive and GRAMMY-nominated record producer. He has acquired books by many best-selling authors and celebrities, and worked with innumerable superstar music acts. At 77, his first novel, Pignon Scorbion & The Barbershop Detectives was recently published to great acclaim.

**Government & Law**

**Congress, the Constitution and You**

**Art Grant**

Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/26/2022 - 11/9/2022
Congress, the Constitution and You
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
60 seats available

The purposes of this course are to provide an understanding of Congress’ role in policymaking by focusing on the consti-tutional basis for that role, and determine how Congress is fulfilling its responsibil-ities as the “people’s representatives.” We will describe and evaluate the results of the Constitutional Convention of 1787, describe the Founding Fathers’ intentions regarding Congress, and conclude with a description and analysis of current Con-gressional procedures. This is not a course on the centuries of legal interpretations of the Constitution; it is a course on Congress and its constitutional responsibilities to make policy.


Art Grant is a former assistant professor of history at West Point and adjunct professor of history at George Washington University. During his professional career, he served 34 years in the federal government – 25 years in the executive branch and 9 years on the professional staff of the U.S. Senate.

**The Virginia Legislative Process**

**Megan Rhyne**

Friday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
9/16/2022 - 9/30/2022
School of Ed, Room 2021
40 seats available

With shrinking state and local news outlets it is harder than ever to find out what your state lawmakers are up to in Richmond. This nonpartisan course teaches students about the Virginia legislative process - the written and unwritten rules - and how to search for and track bills of interest to you. Participants will also learn how to connect financial contributions to candidates and elected officials, and how to use open government laws to keep everyone accountable.

Megan Rhyne, director of the Virginia Coalition of Open Government since 2008, has a B.A. in radio, television and motion pictures from the University of North Carolina and a J.D. from the University of Colorado School of Law. She was an adjunct professor of media law at Hampton University.

**America’s Weapons Systems**

**John Hickok**

1:30-3:30pm

6 session(s)
10/24/2022 - 12/5/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

Defense Strategy has focused on the threats of Russia, China, South Korea and Iran to the U.S.. A volatile Middle East and Central Asia has kept America at war for nineteen years, with no end in sight, as well as the continued threat of terrorism. This course will provide a comprehensive overview of the Department of Defense and its major weapon systems including our strategic nuclear forces, and those in space, in the air, on the sea, undersea, and on land. A follow-on three session course, America’s Future Weapon Systems, is highly recommended.

John Hickok is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 21 for a full bio.

**Future U.S. Weapon Systems**

**John Hickok**

Friday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
11/18/2022 - 12/9/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

This is a follow-on, but separate course from America’s Weapon Systems. America has the most comprehensive and powerful military in the world, but the U.S. Military and the Department of Defense never stand still and continue to plan for threats and scenarios 30 years in the future. Amazing new weapons systems are coming in the near future to counter future threats from Russia, China, North Korea, and Iran, and to continue the war against world-wide terrorism. New technology is being rapidly applied to counter high-risk threats like Russian and Chinese hypersonic and space weapons. The new Biden administration’s priorities and funding will be described. Hundreds of new systems will be covered.
Health & Wellness

The Amazing Human Body: How Does it Really Work?  
Wendy LeBolt  
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am  
3 session(s)  
10/5/2022 - 10/19/2022  
Discovery 3, Room 112  
40 seats available

Bodies: we all have one. But have you ever really thought about HOW yours works? How your eyes focus? How you keep our balance? How you “know” what your body is doing even without looking? In this interactive class, we’ll use the body we came with to explore five amazing human “design features” which allow us to accomplish what we do -- even if we sometimes don’t accomplish everything quite the way we used to.

Reading Suggested: The Anatomy Coloring Book by Kapit and Elson

Wendy LeBolt has a B.S. in biology from William & Mary with graduate degrees in exercise physiology. She taught anatomy and physiology at George Washington University and worked in community coaching and teaching health promotion and wellness. Her new book, Made to Move: Knowing and Loving God Through Your Body, was published in 2019.

Functional Exercises to Improve Fitness, Balance, and Agility  
Karen Thomas  
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm  
3 session(s)  
10/4/2022 - 10/18/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
40 seats available

Functional exercises are designed to help you meet the physical demands of your life from activities of daily living to athletic competitions. It is not training for a specific event but to develop a grounding of fitness, balance, and agility for all levels of fitness. This course will have a combination of lecture and activity opportunities to practice the exercises which need little to minimal equipment. Learning proper exercise techniques not only helps prevent injuries but increases the effectiveness of the exercises. You will also learn how to increase the intensity of the exercises as your fitness improves.

Functional Exercises to Improve Fitness, Balance, and Agility  
Karen Thomas has an M.A. in kinesiology and is an American College of Sports Medicine Certified Exercise Physiologist with certifications in “Exercise is Medicine,” nutrition, and public health. She retired in 2018 from Montgomery College, Maryland, after teaching health and exercise science for 29 years.

Beginning Tennis  
Mike Caboy, Neely Zervakis  
Monday, 1:00-2:00pm  
6 session(s)  
9/12/2022 - 10/17/2022  
McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center  
8 seats available

The course will focus on basic fundamentals, stroke production, rules, and tactics. Drills and playing situations will be utilized throughout the sessions. Participants will be on court, so appropriate attire and sneakers are required. Rackets can be provided if necessary.

Functional Exercises to Improve Fitness, Balance, and Agility  
Michael Caboy, director of tennis at William & Mary’s McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center, will coordinate for this activity. Instruction will be given by US Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) certified professionals from McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center. The team has over 50 years of combined teaching experience with all ages and abilities.

Beginning Tennis  
Neely Zervakis is a USPTA Elite Professional with over 10 years of teaching experience. Neely is the Associate Director of the McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center.

Optimizing Your Doctor Visit: Partnering for Your Good Health!  
Carol Bender  
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm  
2 session(s)  
9/13/2022 - 9/20/2022  
Zoom  
275 seats available

We will discuss and provide an outline of all information that should be prepared in advance to maximize the efficiency and good outcome of every medical visit. Information will be provided so each can do their part in maintaining good health. Lastly, seeking a second opinion will be addressed.

Karol Bender has a B.S. from Cornell University, an M.A.T. from Columbia University, an M.D. from SUNY Upstate Medical University, and an M.B.A. from Johns Hopkins University. She served in private practice in internal medicine and was an adjunct faculty at George Washington School of Medicine and was a member of Maryland Board of Physicians.

Downsize Your Stuff to Upsize Your Life!  
Lisa Bates  
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm  
1 session(s)  
9/13/2022 - 9/13/2022  
Williamsburg Landing, Alvin P Auditorium  
50 seats available

Does the challenge of how to downsizing your stuff prevent you or delay you from starting the next chapter of your life? If so, this is the course for you! You will learn how to prepare for your next chapter including tips on downsizing household stuff.
including your wardrobe and getting organized. How to turn heirlooms into cash and more! Then take a look at options to upsize your life. Senior living is changing. It’s time to look ahead and upsize your life!

Lisa Bates is the Chief Marketing Officer at Williamsburg Landing, a life plan community. Everyday Lisa and her team meet with seniors who are exploring the next chapter of their lives but are unable to make a change as they just don’t know where to begin downsizing their “stuff.”

**Dementia Discussion**

**Carrie Karnes**

Tuesday, 4:30-6:30pm  
1 session(s)  
11/1/2022 - 11/1/2022  
Riverside Doctor’s Hospital, Meeting Room A  
40 seats available

Dementia Discussion: A multi-perspective, panel discussion about dementia and memory loss. Learn the signs and symptoms that often indicate decline in cognitive abilities. Experts will provide an in-depth overview of the disorder to include the types of dementia, current tests and treatments, and review encouraging studies and trials currently underway. Paired with this in-depth clinical review, industry and community experts will provide insight in to how to help support and care for those living with dementia including support for care givers. Find out what makes Williamsburg a dementia friendly community. Members include a Neurologist, Leadership from Centers for Excellence in Lifelong Aging (CEALH) and the Peninsula Agency on Aging.

Carrie serves as the coordinator for this course at Riverside Doctors Hospital in Williamsburg, which will be taught by various physicians and hospital administrators. She has worked at the hospital for over five years and currently serves as the volunteer/community relations manager.

**How to Help People to Live Well with Dementia**

**Pattie Gaudio**

Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm  
1 session(s)  
9/15/2022 - 9/15/2022  
School of Ed, Room 1056  
40 seats available

This course will shift focus from looking at dementia through the lens of a medical model to a psychosocial model to address the importance of environment, emotional and social adaptations that can make a huge difference in assisting in quality of life and well being throughout the dementia journey. We will cover basic knowledge about dementia and explore how someone can engage to live their fullest life focusing on remaining abilities.

**Reading Suggested:** *Dancing with Dementia: My story of Living Positively with Dementia* by Christine Bryden

Pattie Gaudio is the Dementia Services Educator at Williamsburg Landing. She assists and supports residents, staff and caregivers to maximize brain health extending from natural age-related changes throughout the dementia spectrum. Pattie brings a medical and teaching background along with personal experience as a home caregiver for her husband with Alzheimer’s disease.

**Yoga and Meditation**

**Indira Ghosh**

Monday, 9:30-11:30am  
6 session(s)  
9/12/2022 - 10/17/2022  
Discovery 3, Room 112  
30 seats available

Yoga is an outstanding segment of an ancient educational and remedial legacy which is seen to be valid, relevant, and supportive in a new millennium with ever-growing health and well-being concerns. Athletes use it to tone muscles and increase flexibility. Corporate executives rely on it to de-stress. Doctors prescribe it for everything from sore backs and respiratory problems to chronic fatigue. This course will focus on gentle yoga postures and the importance of progressive breathing as well as an introduction to the healing benefits of sound meditation. Bring a mat or blanket to use on the floor and wear comfortable clothing.

Indira Ghosh was a lecturer in physical education and yoga in Loreto College, Calcutta, India. She has conducted and participated in yoga and meditation seminars across the globe. She taught yoga in the Midwest through area universities, hospitals, and community centers. She is also an orthopedic nurse and teaches yoga and meditation in Williamsburg.

**Walking for Fitness**

**Ray Funkhouser**

Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am  
1 session(s)  
9/20/2022 - 9/20/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
30 seats available

What gives the same aerobic workout for the lungs and heart as jogging, aerobic dance, does not stress the leg joints and feet, provides more exercise for the upper body than running or jogging? The answer is race walking, also known known as fitness walking or health walking. In this moving clinic efficient walking and specific race walking techniques, walking safety, how to start your personal walking program, choosing shoes, and how to dress for varied weather. Whether you are an exercise enthusiast or just starting a fitness program, you will enjoy exploring this increasingly popular fitness activity. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Ray Funkhouser is a two-time National Race Walk Champion, set two American Records, and was a finalist in three Olympic Track & Field Trials. He has represented the United States in International competitions on four continents and coached 4 USA Track & Field International Teams. He is currently President of USA Track &
Field Virginia Association.

**Advanced Fitness Walking**

Ray Funkhouser  
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm  
1 session(s)  
9/20/2022 - 9/20/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
30 seats available

For Fitness Walkers with some experience who wish to get more from their time walking and improve their fitness level. This clinic will include a basic review of efficient walking technique, current techniques that promote optimum performance, and different types of workouts to meet specific goals. In this class, participants will receive individual attention to technique and programs for their individual needs. Dress in comfortable walking clothing and shoes.

*Ray Funkhouser is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 29 for a full bio.*

**Languages**

**German Conversation Table**

Judith Taddeo  
Monday, 12:00-1:00pm  
12 session(s)  
9/12/2022 - 12/5/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
20 seats available

Informal discussion of topics of interest, newspaper or magazine articles. Conversation is conducted in German with help by the instructor.

*Judith Taddeo grew up in Bonn, Germany. She was a former member of the German Foreign Service and is currently working as a professional technical and legal translator. She has a B.A. in linguistics, with an emphasis on bilingualism as well as language acquisition in children.*

**Spanish Conversation Table**

Ruth Fraser  
Tuesday, 12:00-1:00pm  
12 session(s)  
9/6/2022 - 12/6/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
25 seats available

La mesa española les ofrece a sus miembros la oportunidad de manténer y enriquecer su lengua española. En las reuniones, utilizamos artículos de periódicos o del internet para la lectura y facilitamos comentarios sobre el contenido. Es necesario tener un nivel de comprensión basica del español para participar en la lectura. El ambiente es amistosonos apoyamos y nos divertimos durante la hora.

*Ruth Fraser enjoyed teaching Spanish I through Advanced Placement at Lafayette High School in Williamsburg until she retired. She has an M.A. in Spanish from the University of New Mexico. She has visited or studied in several Spanish-speaking countries, including Spain, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Peru.*

**French Conversation Table**

Didier de Vulpillieres, Kathleen Hickey  
Wednesday, 12:00-1:00pm  
12 session(s)  
9/7/2022 - 12/7/2022  
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room  
25 seats available

La Table de Conversation Française sert de lieu de rencontre pour des personnes ayant un vif intérêt pour la langue et la culture française. Les séances sont organisées autour de la lecture et de la discussion d’articles de livres, de journaux ou de magazines, lus et commentés dans une ambiance décontractée. Un niveau minimum de compréhension de la langue française est quand même nécessaire pour pouvoir profiter pleinement de ces sessions. Kathleen Hickey, qui arrive à la tête de la Table après une carrière de trente ans enseignant le français, sera aidée par Didier et Anne de Vulpilières qui ont modéré cette activité pendant plus de quinze ans.

*Didier de Vulpilières is a native of France who has lived in the United States for more than 30 years. He has an engineering degree from France and an M.B.A. in international operations from Michigan State.*

Kathleen Hickey spent 30 years teaching French and Spanish in public and private middle and high schools. She has a B.S. in Education and an M.A. in French literature from Washington University.

**Reading, Grammar, and Conversation for Intermediate/Advanced Students of Spanish**

Chris Scheiderer  
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm  
6 session(s)  
9/12/2022 - 10/17/2022  
School of Ed, Room 2010  
25 seats available

En cada clase va a haber muchas oportunidades para hablar en español sobre diferentes temas. ¡Es de esperar
que cada alumno se prepare para expresarse durante todas las sesiones y que no haya ningún momento de silencio! De verdad la idea básica es la de conversar a gusto y hacer preguntas siempre y cuando haya dudas, ¿de acuerdo? En cuanto a la gramática, vamos a repasar unos elementos de cierta importancia como el uso de por y para y los pronombres. Las lecturas serán artículos culturales, algunas poesías y unos cuentos muy cortos. Así que tendremos bastantes motivos de conversación. Bueno, hasta pronto.


Christopher Scheiderer taught all levels of Spanish at the college level for 40 years. He taught at Christopher Newport University from 1971 to 2004, and at the University of Maryland, Waynesburg College, and Ohio State University.

Literature & Writing

Sherlock Holmes: Investigating the Greatest Detective Who Never Was

Ray Betzner
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
6 session(s)
9/13/2022 - 10/18/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
25 seats available

Sherlock Holmes has become one of the world’s most best-known literary figures, with dozens of films, television and radio adaptations. How Sir Arthur Conan Doyle’s Victorian detective outgrew the written word will be the focus of the six-week course. Students will several of the original Holmes stories and discuss how the character developed through Conan Doyle’s lifetime and beyond.


Ray Betzner has been reading Sherlock Holmes for more than 50 years. He is a member of The Baker Street Irregulars, has presented on Holmes at numerous conferences and is co-editing a book on Sir Arthur. Ray recently retired from a career in higher education communications, which included working at William & Mary, among other universities.

Writing for the Fun of It

Frank Milligan
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
6 session(s)
9/14/2022 - 10/19/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
30 seats available

This relaxed and fun overview ranges from learning to think like a writer to publishing your work. Discussion and exercises reveal simple yet effective tools for organizing your thoughts. Learn to choose the best form to convey your unique vision: fiction, nonfiction, poetry, or drama, and the essential building blocks of each. A quick grammar and style refresher shows why you don’t have to be a grammar expert to be a good writer. With a project you’ll begin in class, or one you’ve already started, learn to apply professional techniques that will elevate your writing to the next level.

Reading Suggested: Time to Write: Discovering the Writer Within After 50 by Frank Milligan. Complete Guide to Writing Fiction and Nonfiction by Pat Kubis and Bob Howland

Frank Milligan has taught creative writing at Northern Virginia Community College and Lorton Workshop Art Center. His book, Time to Write: Discovering the Writer Within After 50, won a silver award at the 2009 National Mature Media Awards. He has an M.A. in writing from The Johns Hopkins University, an M.B.P.A. in management, and a B.A. in psychology.

William Faulkner- Intrusion of the Past Upon the Present

Lawrence Perlow
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
11/16/2022 - 12/7/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

William Faulkner is a Nobel Prize recipient and arguably America’s greatest author. Placing most of his work in a fictional county, Faulkner’s writing centered on themes relevant today. We will discuss, in this order, two books of contrasting style. “Go Down, Moses” (with emphasis on the section “The Bear”) follows relationships between individuals as well as their connection with the land over multiple generations. This will be followed by a short discussion of Faulkner and race. “As I Lay Dying” is a more tragicomic portrayal of a family looking to honor a last wish.


Lawrence Perlow is an oncologist who received his medical degree from Georgetown University. After a career as an executive with several multinational corporations in the pharmaceutical industry, he received a D.Litt. from Drew University.

A Guided Self-exploration of The Iliad

John Livecchi
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
8 session(s)
9/12/2022 - 10/31/2022
Zoom, Email
25 seats available

Few works are more crucial to understand Western Civilization than Homer’s Iliad. In this eight week email class, you will be guided through a close reading of the poem. Working at your own pace, you may explore it as much and as deeply as you
wish—always with the assurance that guidance and answers to your questions are just an email away. The first seven classes will offer background readings, suggestions for reading, pointers to guide you through, answers to questions, and reactions to comments. The eighth class will feature a two hour open discussion on Zoom.


Reading Suggested: *Homeric Moments: Clues to Delight in Reading The Odyssey and The Iliad* by Dr. Eva T, H, Brann

John Livecchi taught Homer’s *The Iliad* and *The Odyssey* for much of his career as a high school English teacher. He holds an M.A. in English, College of New Jersey and an M.Litt., Drew University. He was IBM’s Teacher of the Year for the mid-Atlantic region in 1992 and New Jersey’s Christa McAuliffe Fellow in 1994.

Book Lovers Discussion Group

Sally Whiting, Barbara Reynolds

Monday, 12:00-1:00pm
4 session(s)
9/12/2022 - 12/12/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available


Sally Whiting has a B.A. in Education. She has taught English, operated a graphic arts/typesetting business, and managed/directed various departments of two educational publishing divisions of The McGraw-Hill Companies. She loves books, and has been a participant of Book Lovers since moving to Williamsburg in 2007.

Barbara Reynolds is an avid reader who has been a member of Osher’s Book Lovers Discussion Group since 2008 and belongs to three other local book clubs.

Mathematics

Mathematical Cranks, and the Problems They Think They Have Solved

Paul Stockmeyer

Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
9/12/2022 - 9/26/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

The ancient Greek problems of trisecting an angle, squaring a circle, and doubling a cube, using standard compass and straight-edge methods, were all proved impossible in the nineteenth century. That hasn’t stopped certain amateur mathematicians, commonly called cranks, from claiming solutions and seeking the fame and fortune they imagine they are due. This course will examine these ancient problems, presenting some valid nonstandard solutions and critiquing some invalid crank solutions. It will conclude with a sketch of the proof of impossibility. There are no prerequisites, but some recall of high school geometry might prove helpful.

Reading Suggested: *Mathematical Cranks* by Underwood Dudley

Paul Stockmeyer earned a Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Michigan. He joined the faculty of William & Mary in 1971, and is now a professor emeritus of computer science. He enjoys teaching somewhat nontypical mathematics courses in the Osher program.

Natural & Social Sciences

The Exploration of the Solar System by Machines and Humans

Joel Levine

Friday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
9/16/2022 - 9/30/2022
School of Ed, Room 2056
30 seats available

The course will discuss the exploration of the Solar System by robotic probes and humans with particular emphasis on the return of humans to the Moon as early as 2024 and the exploration of Mars by humans as early as 2035.


Introductory Astronomy

Brad Perry, Carmen Fragapane

Monday, 5:00-7:00pm
3 session(s)
10/24/2022 - 11/7/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
24 seats available

This course presents a brief survey of
the solar system, stellar astronomy, galactic astronomy, and cosmology. A separate practical observing session is planned at the Kiskiack Golf Club following the conclusion of the course.

**Reading Suggested:** *Astronomy: A Self-Teaching Guide* (8th Edition) by Dinah L. Moche

Brad Perry is a retired NASA engineer who has accomplished graduate studies in astronomy at the University of Virginia. He has published a number of papers on astronomical objects ranging from planetary objects to novae and supernovae.

Carmen Fragapane has taught physical science in the York County School Division for 16 years. He has taken part in educational projects at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank, West Virginia and supports local astronomy education and public outreach efforts throughout the Hampton Roads area.

**The Virginia Peninsula from a Watershed Perspective**

**Jim Griffin**

Monday, 1:30-3:30pm  
3 session(s)  
11/14/2022 - 12/5/2022  
Discovery 3, Room 112  
40 seats available  

The Virginia Peninsula abounds in water resources. This course will explore the James and the York River watersheds that together define the peninsula’s water resources. Through this “watershed perspective” the class will study the rivers and tributaries as well as lakes and wetlands that are enclosed by these two watersheds. The student will learn how to map a watershed and to gather data that helps them to understand the hydrology, ecology and water quality of the various watershed components.

Jim Griffin has an MS in Systems Technology, Naval Postgraduate School Monterey CA., a PhD in Environmental Science, Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne FL and was an Environmental Scientist for Florida local and state agencies and taught GIS Applications at the University of South Florida (USF) and Florida Watersheds and Water Resources courses at the USF OSER program.

**Forest Ecology and Management**

**Jim Perry**

Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am  
2 session(s)  
10/4/2022 - 10/11/2022  
Discovery 3, Room 112  
40 seats available  

Part one of this two-session course will introduce basic ecological concepts, as well as the role of humans, in defining what we see as we walk into an Eastern Virginia Forest. Part two will be a field trip to York River State Park where we will look at natural growth and succession, forest reproduction, and role of invasive species.

Jim Perry has a Ph.D. in marine science with nearly 40 years of research and teaching in coastal and wetland ecology. He has worked in wetlands in China, Taiwan, South America, the United Kingdom, and the entire continent of North America. His specialty is understanding the impacts of wetland degradation on human lives, especially the poor.

**Tidal Wetlands of Virginia**

**Jim Perry**

Thursday, 9:30-11:30am  
3 session(s)  
9/15/2022 - 9/29/2022  
Discovery 3, Room 112  
40 seats available

In this class we will concentrate on the ecology of Virginia’s tidal wetlands. We will discuss the importance of tidal wetlands, history of their uses, distribution and classification of Virginia’s tidal marshes, and their dominant flora and fauna. We will end with a discussion of tidal wetland losses in Virginia and the application of the “Mitigation” concepts (wetland conservation versus preservation, creation versus restoration) and the potential future of Virginia’s tidal wetlands.

**Reminders for Members:**

- Links for Zoom courses are sent the day prior to your class.  
- Handouts for all classes are now distributed via email. Print copies are no longer available.

**Reminders for Instructors:**

- Links for Zoom courses are sent to enrolled members the day prior to your class.  
- Handouts for all classes are now distributed via email prior to the first day of class. Print copies are no longer available.  
- For classes, lectures, and activities with no audio-visual requirements, there will be no Osher staff present to set up in advance of your class.

Jim Perry is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 33 for a full bio.

The Science of Cooking: An Experimental Approach
Kelly Shaw
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/27/2022 - 11/10/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
20 seats available

Have you ever wondered why bread will rise at 7K feet but cakes don’t? Are you beset by cheese sauces that are smooth and velvety sometimes, and disgusting greasy curdles at others? And why does sous vide work like magic on chicken breasts, but fails utterly to cook a whole chicken to perfection? Join us as we conduct experiments in class to illustrate some of the most important scientific principles behind one of the most universally practiced disciplines of applied science.

Reading Suggested: The Curious Cook: Kitchen Science and Lort by Harold McGee

Commercial Genetic Testing: Science, Secrets, and Scandals
Dana Willner
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
3 session(s)
11/9/2022 - 11/12/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

For a few hundred dollars, direct-to-consumer genetic testing companies offer you the chance to uncover information about your ancestry and potential health risks. What do these companies do with the samples you send them? What do the results they give you really mean? Why are so many of these companies embroiled in newsworthy scandals? This course will explore the underlying biology, statistics, and informatics of commercial genetic tests, with an emphasis on making meaningful sense of results as a consumer. In the process, we will discuss how the industry has both helped and harmed consumers and healthcare providers.

Dana Willner is a Lecturer in Data Science at William and Mary who teaches courses in data analysis and visualization as well as bioinformatics. She has a PhD in molecular biology and an MS in biostatistics, and spent many years studying the microbes that live on and in the human body.

Climate Change Conversations: Let’s Talk about Natural Cycles
John Delano, Thomas White
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
1 session(s)
11/9/2022 - 11/9/2022
Wmgb Regional Library, Theatre
250 seats available

Many of us have had the experience of starting a “climate conversation” that ended quickly when we heard a respectable-sounding objection like this: “Climate has always changed; humans aren’t responsible. It’s the sun, or volcanoes, or orbital cycles.” We doubted this was true, but we lacked confidence in our ability to respond effectively. This lecture will: (1) explain what scientists know about natural cycles and human-caused global warming, and (2) suggest how you can have a productive conversation that pivots quickly to shared values and solutions, after providing a brief scientific explanation of why natural cycles don’t explain global warming.

Thomas G. White retired in 2017 from the University of Virginia’s Curry School of Education where he was a senior research scientist. He has a Ph.D. in developmental psychology from Stony Brook University, taught at Gettysburg College, and worked for
John Delano was a NASA-funded researcher for 30 years. He retired from the State University of New York at Albany in 2016 where he served as a distinguished Teaching Professor Emeritus in Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences (joint-appointed to Department of Chemistry), Associate Dean, and member and chair of numerous NASA advisory panels. He also has a Ph.D. in geochemistry.

Photography

Cell Phone Photography for Travel and Adventure

Daniel Walker
Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
11/16/2022 - 12/7/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
30 seats available

The class is designed to enhance your cell phone photography while traveling. We will cover improving cell phone images regardless of phone model, editing images and how to prepare for the travel.

Dan Walker has a B.S. from Appalachian State University and an M.B.A. from University of Richmond. He spent 6 years teaching photography at University of Richmond, 13 years as a photographer and columnist for regional magazine, and 6 years as a photographer for international events. He was a finalist in Life magazine’s world photographer contest.

Religion & Philosophy

Practice the Presence

Lawrence Durrett
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)

10/3/2022 - 10/17/2022
Williamsburg Landing, Alvin P Auditorium
15 seats available

You have the ability to choose, at any time, who and how you want to be in the world. With help from Richard Foster, Richard Rohr, Jill Bolte Taylor, Jon Kabat-Zinn, Thomas Keating, Thomas Merton, Mary Oliver, and others, we will awaken together to greater levels of resourcefulness and joy in each day of our one, wild, and precious life. Writing, music, movement, poetry, congenial conversation will softly transform us, droplet by droplet.

Reading Suggested: *Whole Brain Living* by Jill Bolte Taylor

Lawrence Durrett has a B.A. in government; an M.Div.; and an M.S.L.S. He has served as a United Methodist minister, a librarian, and a yoga teacher and provided music in churches and nursing homes. He enjoyed post graduate work at the National Presbyterian Church, Virginia Theological Seminary and the Catholic University of America.

Belief and Betrayal: Conquering Credulity

Barnet Feingold
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
6 session(s)
9/13/2022 - 10/18/2022
Williamsburg Landing, Private Dining Room
20 seats available

Our beliefs have powerful and pervasive effects on our lives. Some make us happier, more effective, and more loving. Others create little but suffering and misunderstanding while blinding us to the harm they do. This course offers ways to enhance your awareness of how your beliefs affect you. It encourages you to ask, “How closely does the guidance that I assume my beliefs provide match the guidance that my beliefs actually provide?” and “What are the consequences of my erroneous assumptions?” A detailed description of this approach to belief analysis can be found at barneysplace.net.

Barnet Feingold earned his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Penn State. He has served as a clinician, program director, program designer, administrator, director of psychology training, research supervisor, ethics consultant, and adjunct professor of psychology and education. A chapter applying his approach to belief analysis to intelligence work is “in press.”

Introduction to Islam

Islam Bedir
Wednesday, 4:30-6:30pm
3 session(s)
10/5/2022 - 10/19/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

This course provides an overview of Islamic creed, Qur’an and the Prophet Muhammad. Questions and discussions are encouraged.

Reading Suggested: *The Clear Quran: A Thematic English Translation* by Dr. Mustafa Khattab

Islam Bedir holds a Ph.D. degree in Theoretical Physics and has studied Islamic sciences under Egyptian and Turkish scholars.

The Life Most Worth Living: Virtue Theory in Ancient & Modern Perspective

Bill Rhodes
Friday, 9:30-11:30am
6 session(s)
10/28/2022 - 12/9/2022
School of Ed, Room 2000
30 seats available

We’ll focus on the practical philosophical question: “What is the life most worth living?” . . . and a Socratic claim underlying it: “The unexamined life is not worth living.” Covering the fundamentals of virtue ethics, concentrating on the thought of Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle, we will
discuss the sort of person who lives well and what constitutes the well-lived (and examined) life. Findings from formal psychological research are included, along with the question of how best to equip ourselves and others to live well. Taught at the undergraduate level in mixed lecture and seminar format.


Bill Rhodes earned his doctorate from the University of Colorado, Boulder. A published author and researcher, he served as a professor and academic department head at the U.S. Air Force Academy and currently teaches online courses for Air University.

A Historical Challenge: The Resurrection of Jesus

Jack Dalby
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/24, 10/31, 11/7
Zoom
275 seats available

One of the oldest Christian creeds is: “Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.” The belief in the Resurrection of Jesus was the seed that ultimately grew into Christianity. But what are its origins? Were ancient Christians unified in their Resurrection proclamation? Other topics for discussion are: What is the oldest account of the Resurrection? The four canonical gospels all describe the Resurrection, but do they agree? How are they different? Who claims to have seen Jesus first? How long did the Resurrection appearances last? A familiarity with the New Testament is helpful, but not necessary.

Jack Dalby is a retired business owner and JMU graduate who, for the past 10 years, has lectured regularly at George Mason University’s OLLI program in Northern Virginia on the topic of the Historical Jesus and Early Christianity. These lectures are the product of over 15 years of research.

Divine Names and Attributes of God from Islamic Perspective

Islam Bedir
Wednesday, 4:30-6:30pm
1 session(s)
9/14/2022 - 9/14/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
30 seats available

Provides overview of divine Names and Attributes of God from Islamic Perspective.

Islam Bedir is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 35 for a full bio.

A Word of Difference

Adrian Williams
Thursday, 2:00-4:00pm
1 session(s)
9/22/2022 - 9/22/2022
School of Ed, Room 2030
30 seats available

In this class we will take a look at one of the most important Greek words within the Christian faith, pistis. Pistis appears 244 times in the traditional New Testament, including in prominent texts such as John 3. How we understand and translate this word impacts how we understand much of life and faith. We will take a look at its use both within scripture and other texts.

Adrian Williams has a B.A. in musical theater from Mary Washington College and an M.Div. from the Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. He is the director of educational ministries at Williamsburg Presbyterian Church and has led programs and created curriculum for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) at local, state, and national levels.

World History

Captured! Stories of WWII Prisoners of War

Kayleen Reusser
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
1 session(s)
9/12/2022 - 9/12/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

In 1942, a teenage sailor escapes from his Japanese captors in the Java Sea, only to be betrayed back into their hands. Can he summon the fortitude to carry on through months of ill health, back-breaking work, and lack of food? A ball turret gunner escapes his German captors but is recaptured, not once, but four times. Can he get a message to American forces before his prison is bombed? These and other stories, including the memoirs of a Bataan Death March survivor, make up the class taught by the presenter who interviewed them for her book Captured! Stories of American WWII Prisoners of War.

Kayleen Reusser is the author of 10 books on World War II, based on interviews with 260 World War II veterans. She has presented programs virtually and in-person across the US. Kayleen is the wife and mother of Air Force airmen.

Understanding the Holocaust and the Government who Directed the Killing of over 6 Million People

Rena Berlin
Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
6 session(s)
10/27/2022 - 12/8/2022
Zoom
275 seats available

The Holocaust was a genocide that took place during World War II. It is the only genocide whose stated goal was the total eradication of a specific group of people regardless of where they lived. The perpetrators included
college educated, former military, and ordinary citizens of Germany and eventually other European countries. Under the leadership of, what was originally a para-military group, supporters overthrew the legally elected government of Germany and helped organize, and carry out the murder of over six million men, women and children.

Rena Berlin is the retired Director of Education at the Virginia Holocaust Museum (VHM) Richmond, Virginia. She is also a retired International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Coordinator and Fairfax County history teacher. Rena has taught courses on the Holocaust for the VHM, and for Osher University of Richmond for the last three years including a course on Elie Wiesel’s book, NIGHTY.

Western Europe on Fire in the Middle Ages: The Hundred Years War

Bill Riffer
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/3/2022 - 10/17/2022
Wmbr Regional Library, Theatre
25 seats available

From 1337 to 1453, England and France fought almost continuously over the throne of France. In many ways, French and English nationalism emerged from this conflict. This study will review the causes, strategies, major battles, key players, and technical and tactical innovations of this conflict. Finally, we will look at who won, why, and what the importance of all this was.

Reading Suggested: The Hundred Years War: A People’s History by David Green

Bill Riffer is a retired career submarine officer with a lifelong interest in military history. In addition to at-sea commands, he also served as Atlantic Submarine Force chief of staff for doctrine, tactics, and training. He has degrees in nuclear engineering, national security policy, and international relations.

History and Psychology of the Great Pandemics

David Hopkinson
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/24/2022 - 11/7/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

This course will examine the psychological and sociocultural responses as humans faced the menace and destructiveness of the eight great pandemics of infectious diseases afflicting humans in world history. There were commonalities as well as evolving (and competing) responses to the approach, the surge and the recovery from these high-impact upheavals in lifestyle and conventional thinking of their times.

David Hopkinson has a Ph.D. in clinical psychology. He spent seven years teaching full time at the collegiate and graduate school level, five of those at William & Mary. He was also a guide at Maymont Mansion and wrote a manuscript and presented as a public lecturer.

Last Stand! A Study of Three Desperate “To The Last Man” Battles

John Rogers
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/4/2022 - 10/18/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

The battles to be studied are: 3rd Co, 1st Bn, The French Foreign Legion at the Camarone, Mexico, April 30, 1863; B Co, 2nd Bn, 24th Regt. (South Wales Borderers) vs the Zulu at Rorkes Drift, Natal South Africa, January 22-23, 1879; 1st Bn, The Gloucestershire Regt (the Glossters), 29th Bde Gp vs the Chinese at the Imjin River, North Korea, April 22-25, 1951.

John Rogers is a retired vice president of a Fortune 500 company. He has extensive experience in corporate and military instruction. He is a lifelong student of history.

What is Fascism?: An Historical Analysis

Donald Schilling
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/15/2022 - 12/6/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

In our current political moment the term fascism has been used with much greater frequency. Many have wondered, “To what degree are western democracies now being transformed by fascist or fascist-like movements?” The purpose of this class is twofold: first, to analyze the fascist movements that became powerful in the interwar period, most especially in Italy and Germany, and thus help us better answer the question posed in the title of this course; second, to examine several contemporary political developments to assess whether fascism is an accurate descriptor in these cases. This class will require some reading consisting of documentary materials and several excerpts from articles.

Donald Schilling has a Ph.D. in modern European history from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and spent 41 years teaching courses in this subject area at Denison University, including Confronting Evil: The Holocaust in History, The Rise and Fall of Nazi Germany, and The Origins and History of World War II.

Stumbling into Global War: Japan and the United States 1940-1941

Alan Stark
Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/16/2022 - 12/7/2022
School of Ed, Room 1056
40 seats available

During 1940 and 1941 Japan and
the United States engaged in intense negotiations hoping to avoid a major war. However, on December 7, 1941, Japanese Naval Air forces attacked the United States Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor. This course will examine the diplomatic dialog between Japan and the U.S. from September 1940 to December 1941 in an attempt to answer the key question: Was war between these two countries inevitable? To find the answer, this course will look at historical, geopolitical, and cultural factors that drove each nation’s strategic decisions and eventually ended in war.


Alan Stark has a B.A. in history from the University of Southern California and an M.A. in contemporary East Asian history and an M.B.A. from UCLA. He has been a teaching assistant in Japanese history and a guest lecturer in modern Chinese history. He also worked 18 years at Wells Fargo primarily in online technologies and security.

**The English Civil War (1642-1660): The Republic That Followed, Failed**

**John Rogers**

Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/16/2022 - 12/7/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

A study of the conflict between King Charles I and Parliament over “The Divine Right of Kings,” governance of the country, and religious issues. The Civil War that resulted ended with the execution of King Charles. It was followed by a period of instability and unsuccessful attempts at government (The Commonwealth) that ultimately led to the restoration of the monarchy with the ascension of Charles II to the throne in 1660. King Charles II was the uncle of both William III and Mary II.

**John Rogers is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 37 for a full bio.**

**Disraeli and Gladstone: The Great Rivalry**

**Linda Smith**

Thursday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
11/17/2022 - 12/8/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

Queen Victoria had ten prime ministers during her long reign, but only two of them are widely remembered today: Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881) and William Ewart Gladstone (1809-1898). This course will introduce you to these two political titans and will explain their importance, the lasting impact of their legislative accomplishments -- and why they detested each other, both politically and personally. No prior knowledge is necessary.

**Linda Smith has a B.A. in history and political science from Boston College, with a specialty in Victorian England. She has taken graduate seminars (non-degree) in Victorian imperial history at Oxford University. She also has an M.L.S. from Simmons College.**

**Japan’s Surrender August 1945: Unconditional or Conditional?**

**Alan Stark**

Friday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
9/16/2022 - 9/30/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

Since 1943, the Allies had been insisting on the unconditional surrender of the Axis powers, including Japan. On August 14, 1945, Emperor Hirohito spoke to the Japanese people and told them Japan was accepting the Potsdam Declaration and surrendering to the Allies. Why did Japan surrender? Was the Atomic Bomb the crucial factor? Was the Soviet Union’s invasion the tipping point? In this class, we will explore these questions and examine the forces driving the Japanese government decision. We will discuss the pro-war faction and its almost successful coup. The Peace faction and its influence will also be visited as well as the temper of Japanese public opinion. We will also look at the various factions in the US government and their views as to the continuance of the war and regarding terms of surrender. Finally, we will study the effect of the Soviet Union on the decision-making process of both Japan and the United States. Several of the same personages that were involved in the road to war will play a major role in our story.


**Alan Stark is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 38 for a full bio.**

**The Islamic State and the Explosive Middle East**

**John Hickok**

Friday, 1:30-3:30pm
3 session(s)
10/7/2022 - 10/21/2022
School of Ed, Room 2010
32 seats available

In Iraq, Al Qaeda, the 9/11 terrorists, turned into an even more extreme group called the Islamic State (IS). In January of 2011 the Middle East exploded into the Arab Spring, including a civil war in Syria, a follow-on blitzkrieg attack on Iraq by the IS in June of 2014 and the standup of an IS caliphate. IS has been soundly defeated in both Iraq and Syria, but not the world, and especially now Afghanistan. Now dozens of other countries in the Middle East are at war or on the verge of exploding. How did the IS arise? Why do Muslims in the Middle East hate the West so much? What’s the status of the Taliban, al
Qaeda and IS in Afghanistan? This course will identify and discuss the significant historical and current events from Mohammed’s death up to the present, the rise and defeat of IS, and an overview of all middle east countries.

John Hickok is the instructor for several courses this semester. Please view page 21 for a full bio.

BLACKBOARD COURSE
The Tudor Trilogy: The Tudors Part I: Two Henrys (Henry VII and VIII)
Debbie Misiag
Monday, 9:30-11:30am
3 session(s)
10/24/2022 - 11/7/2022
Zoom, Blackboard 1
40 seats available

This course is the first of a three part Trilogy on the Tudors. This is a Blackboard online course with three modules. Participants can take it at their leisure. This course involves reading, watching video clips, as well as a narrated powerpoint. Participants are expected to be active in the course and join the discussion board which is an online discussion. The instructor will post a question and you can respond to the question in writing and to others in the course. You will also have a weekly journal entry to post. This first part will introduce the Tudors and include a brief overview of life during the 15th and 16th Centuries and how the Tudors came into power. Then there will be a separate module for Henry VII and Henry VIII. The instructor will provide an evening introduction and met and greet virtually prior to the course starting via Zoom and a gathering at the end of the course. Other courses in this Trilogy are Elizabeth I and the Three Marys. Participants must have internet and be able to type or dictate on their computer to respond( similar to email) to the discussion question for each module.

The Amsterdam Mapmaker Blaeu and his World Map
Ruurdje Laarhoven
Monday, 1:30-3:30pm
1 session(s)
11/7/2022 - 11/7/2022
Discovery 3, Room 112
40 seats available

An introduction explains the 16th century fascination with continental maps, charts, and globes. When geographers increasingly owned their allegiance to the vast joint-stock trading companies instead of imperial patrons, they began to use a more objective and systematic mapping strategy. An example is Willem Jansz Blaeu who established one of the seventeenth century most famous printing and publishing houses of especially pilot books, globes, and maps. We will look at the development of the Blaeu’s, father and son, astonishing world map of 1646 in more detail.

Ruurdje Laarhoven has an M.A. from the Ateneo de Manila, Quezon City, Philippines and a Ph.D. from the Australian National University. After receiving teaching certificates from the Netherlands and Australia, she taught in these countries as well as guest-lectured in many others. Since 1999, she has taught anthropology and humanities for Hawaii Pacific University.

The Hundred Years War, 1337-1453
Joseph Johnson
Tuesday, 1:30-3:30pm
1 session(s)
10/25/2022 - 10/25/2022
Kaplan Arena, Wightman Cup Room
130 seats available

Despite the duration of this conflict, popular history tends to zero in a few major battles such as Agincourt in 1415. During this presentation we will examine the origins of the war, many different battles, and the outcome of the war, to include its impact on subsequent European history.

Joe Johnson is currently Chief of Staff at the Defense Acquisition University and volunteers as president of the Fort Belvoir military history club. He majored in European History at Washington and Lee University prior to a career in contracting and logistics in the U.S. Army, which included instructor assignments at the Quartermaster School and the Command and General Staff College.
Nuclear Physics: Exploring the Exotic

October 13, 2022

Dr. Justin Stevens, Ph.D. physicist, W&M Assistant Professor of Physics and 2022-2023 Coco Faculty Fellow.

Block by Block: Piecing Together Athenian Democracy

November 3, 2022

Dr. Jessica Paga, Classical Archaeologist, Associate Professor in the W&M Department of Classical Studies and 2022-2023 Coco Faculty Fellow.

Flourishing in a Relentless World

Nov. 10, 2022

Dr. Kelly Crace, Associate Vice President for Health & Wellness, Director of CMAX

Understanding Oyster Restoration in the Chesapeake Bay via Fossil Oyster Study

September 15, 2022

Dr. Rowan Lockwood, Professor and Chair, W&M Geology Department

W&M - SOE Literacy Lab Partnership to Support Struggling Readers in Our Community

Sept. 22, 2022

Debbie Ramer, M.Ed., Ed.S., Clinical Faculty in Special Education; Director, Elementary Education Program; Principal Investigator, W&M TTAC and Dr. Kristin Conradi Smith, Associate Professor, W&M School of Education

Human Rights Law & Women’s Rights in Afghanistan

Nov. 17, 2022

Humaira Rasuli, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Women for Justice Afghanistan (WJO)

TOWN & GOWN NOON LECTURE SERIES

LECTURES ARE IN-PERSON FROM 12 - 1 PM

School of Business 101 Ukrop Way Brinkley Commons Room

A shuttle from Kaplan to the School of Business is available from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

NEED HELP ACCESSING LECTURES? CALL 757-221-1506
Follow the tips listed below to successfully join Osher courses in Zoom

## What You Need

- An internet connection – broadband wired or wireless (3G or 4G/LTE)
- Windows 7 or later•macOS X with macOS 10.7 or later
- Highly recommended:
  - Speakers and a microphone – built-in or USB plug-in or wireless Bluetooth
  - Webcam or HD webcam – built-in or USB plug-in

## Joining Your Course

- Click the “Join Zoom Meeting” link provided at the top of your Zoom invitation email. The link starts with https://cwm.zoom.us/j/ followed by a 9-digit Zoom meeting id.
- If it is your first time using Zoom, you will need to click the download button provided to install and launch the Zoom software on your computer. Once the software is installed (takes just a few seconds), you will not need to install it again for future meetings.
- A pop-up window will appear that asks you to choose your audio preference:
  - Option 1: Listen to the meeting through your computer's speakers (most common way). To do this, click the large “Join with Computer Audio” option.
  - Option 2: Listen to the meeting over the telephone instead of your computer. To do this, click “Phone Call” in the top left corner of the pop-up window, use the information presented to make the phone call (any of the phone numbers provided will work; include the +1), then click “Done.”

## The Zoom Menu Bar

- The Zoom menu bar appears at the bottom of the Zoom window once the meeting begins. If you do not see it, move your mouse in this area and the bar will appear.
- Some frequently used attendee controls:
  - Mute / Unmute—The meeting host can control whether attendees are able to mute/unmute their microphone. For Osher courses, your microphone will be muted unless otherwise specified by the instructor. Please use the chat feature to ask questions during the lecture.
  - Start Video / Stop Video -Turns your computer’s webcam on or off. If you click Start Video, everyone in the meeting will be able to see you.
  - Manage Participants—Allows you to see who is currently in the meeting.
  - Chat – Access a chat window to submit questions or comments to the meeting host.
  - Leave Meeting – Leave the meeting while it continues for the other participants. Only the meeting host can end the meeting.

## Additional Information and Help

Looking for additional resources on how to use Zoom? Visit the Zoom Help Center at https://support.zoom.us
Directions and Parking Instructions for Off-Campus Location

Brookdale Williamsburg – 3800 Treyburn Dr.
From Monticello Ave., turn north on Treyburn Dr. At the Brookdale gate give your name and reference Osher Institute. Continue on Treyburn and bear right at the circle onto Windbrook Ln. to the parking area. Do not park in the sheltered spaces or circle. Check in at the registration desk of the main building. You will be directed to the class location.


Edgeworth Park at New Town – 5501 Discovery Park Blvd.
From Ironbound Rd., turn onto Discovery Park Blvd. and drive to the far end of the road. Park out on street or to the left of the main entrance or behind the building. Members should not park in spaces near front entrance.

Ford’s Colony – 240 Ford’s Colony Dr.
Turn into the main Ford’s Colony entrance off of Longhill Rd. Go 1 mile on Ford’s Colony Dr. to the roundabout. The clubhouse is on the right. Park on the left hand side of the clubhouse. The banquet room is on the left as you enter the front door.

Helen’s Place Photography – 1205 Lightfoot Rd.
Head northeast on VA-199 W. Take the exit toward VA-603 W/Mooretown Rd/Lightfoot Rd. Merge onto VA-603/Mooretown Rd. Turn right onto Lighfoot Rd. Helen’s Place Photography will be on the left.

Kimball Theatre is on W. Duke of Gloucester St. near Little Theatre/Campus Center. There is a paid parking lot ($2 an hour) at the corner of S. Boundary and Francis Streets.

Patriot’s Colony – 6000 Patriot’s Colony Dr.
Depending on the assigned room for the course:
- Liberty Lounge - Heading West on Route 5 (John Tyler Highway), Patriot’s Colony will be on the right. Stop at the guard house and give your name and reference Osher. Park in the parking lot in front of the Cannon Community Center.

Riverside Doctors’ Hospital Williamsburg - 1500 Commonwealth Ave. Heading East toward Busch Gardens on Route 60/Pocahontas Trail, the hospital will be on the right just before the interchange for Route 199.

Shaia Oriental Rugs – 1328 Jamestown Rd.
Off of Route 199, turn onto Jamestown Rd. toward Jamestown Settlement. Shaia Oriental Rugs is just past the Colony Square Shopping Center on the right at 1325 Jamestown Rd.

Thomas Nelson Community College – 4601 Opportunity Way
From Monticello Ave. take VA-199 west towards Lightfoot. Take route 60/Lightfoot exit turning left at traffic light onto route 60/Richmond Rd. Go 0.3 miles and turn left onto Centerville Rd then get in the left lane and turn left onto Opportunity Way.

Williamsburg Landing – 5700 Williamsburg Landing Dr.
Check in with security upon arrival, follow event parking signs, continuing on Williamsburg Landing Dr., there is an event parking sign on the right. Turn right and follow the drive to the right. Parking is on the left (rear of the Landing Building). Follow signs to the Alvin P. Anderson Auditorium.

Williamsburg Regional Library – 515 Scotland St.
Schell Room or Theatre. Park in the library parking lot or the lot across the street. All morning classes use theatre entrance.

WindsorMeade – Windsor Hall Dr. #3900
Park in the Belk / Bed Bath & Beyond (4900 Monticello Avenue) shopping lot. Park at the far right end in front of Binns of Williamsburg. There will be a continuous shuttle running loops beginning 30 minutes before class begins.
Membership Registration Form

☐ New Member  ☐ Returning Member  ☐ Honorary Member

Member Information
Name: ___________________________________________ Phone #: ___________________________
Address: ___________________________________________ Email: ___________________________
City, State & Zip: ___________________________ Has your address changed?: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Nickname: ___________________________ Has your email changed?: ☐ Yes ☐ No
How did you hear about us? ☐ Friend  ☐ Advertisement  ☐ Facebook  ☐ Catalog  ☐ Other

Membership Options Please select your semester membership level.

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