January Marks Our 29th Year

In January of 1991 our program presented its first course offerings. The first semester consisted of 16 courses with enrollments of 105 members. Our co-founders, the late Wayne and Ruth Kernodle, would be so proud of the legacy they began as our program now offers more than 170 offerings with between 1200 and 1400 registrants each semester. I know some of you have actually been here to witness this program grow! This success is a result of all of you who volunteer your time and talents to keep us in motion. Thanks for what you do for Osher. We reached out to a William & Mary administrator, Sam Jones, who was involved in
getting us set up here at William & Mary back in 1991 and in what some may find an interesting twist is that now our program reports under his areas of responsibility.

“I have had the pleasure of watching the lifelong learning program at William & Mary grow from a volunteer organization when it was founded in 1991 to now being among 124 prestigious university programs receiving support from The Bernard Osher Foundation. The array of non-credit courses available to the Greater Williamsburg community each semester directly supports William & Mary’s mission of inspiring lifelong learning, generating new knowledge, and expanding understanding.”

*Sam Jones, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration*

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**Spring Registration Continues**

Just a reminder that registration is still open so please encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up!

Though some courses are fully subscribed there are many that still have openings. Below are just a few examples:

- **Lace Was the 18th Century F.A.N.G.**
- **Transmogrification – Using Photography to Create Multi-image Art**
- **A Brief History of Golf**
- **What Exercise Should I Be Doing?**
- **Ancient Rome and the Rise of Christianity**

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**Spring Catalog Changes/Corrections**

Please note the following corrections/changes to the printed catalog.
Date/Time/Location Changes:

Publishing Options and Pointers with instructor Dawn Brotherton (1-time lecture) moved from April 8, 2020, School of Education 1:30 – 3:30 to new date, time, & location: March 4, 2020, Wightman Cup Room, 9:30am-11:30am

Number of Session Changes:

1. Precious Nonsense: The Operas of Gilbert and Sullivan is a 3-session course under Arts & Music (this is not a 1-time lecture)
2. Future U.S. Weapon Systems is a 3-session course under General Studies (this is not a 1-time lecture)
3. City of Washington: The Origin and History of the Federal City is a 1-time lecture (not an American History course)
4. Becoming a Better Consumer in Senior Living is a 1-time lecture (not a Finance & Economics course)
5. Disease Prevention and Preventative Care in Well Being is a 1-time lecture (not a Science & Health course)
6. Primary Care: A Foundation for a Healthier You! is a 1-time lecture (not a Science & Health course)

Miscellaneous Changes/Corrections:


To see ongoing updated changes, check the "Announcement" section on our website www.wm.edu/osopher.

Fall Instructor Appreciation Reception

On December 9, Osher Institute at William & Mary members came to celebrate our fall 2019 instructors. Members and instructors had a chance to visit while enjoying refreshments. We truly appreciate the time and effort our instructors invest in preparing and teaching
such wonderful courses. Thank you for all that you do!

Hats! The Importance of the Women's Millinery Industry in American History

During our Fall 2019 semester, Julia Henri taught a fascinating course about women's hats worn between 1770 to 1970. Below is the display she brought for the members to enjoy.
Do You Know Our Weather Policy?

The Osher Institute at William & Mary (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 office voice mail (757-221-1506). Please note, you will not be personally contacted.

Please Note

The Osher office will be closed on Monday, January 20, in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.