The Institute for Learning in Retirement

Fall 2019 Schedule
September 23 – November 15, 2019 • UNA East Campus

MONDAYS

9:00 - 10:10am  Potpourri • Led by John Sworm
                 The World's Oceans • Led by Dr. William Cale

10:35 - 11:45am Byways of Language & Literature • Led by Dr. Dennis Balch
                 Winston Churchill • Led by Ron Helgemo

12:30 - 1:40pm  Brown Bag Lunch Talks • Led by Robin Armstrong

1:50 - 3:00pm    Food: A Cultural Culinary History • Led by Nora Dailey
                 TED Talks • Led by Susan Daniel

WEDNESDAYS

9:00 - 10:10am  Enjoying The Arts • Led by Elizabeth Renault

10:35 - 11:45am The Great Books: Short Story Omnibus • Led by Nancy Belue
                 Community Conversations • Led by Nancy Gonce

11:45am – 3:30pm ‘Round Town – Field Trips • Led by Robin Armstrong

12:30 - 1:40pm  Outstanding People & Events In American History • Led by John Messamore

FRIDAYS

9:00 - 10:10am  Climate Change • Led by Larry Gautney
                 Interfaith Discussions • Led by Dr. Jacqueline Osborne

10:35 - 11:45am Surely You're Joking Professor Feynman • Led by Dr. David Curott
                 The Great Debate – The American Constitution 1787 - 1788 • Led by Jean Mammen

12:30 - 1:40pm  Unscripted Discussions • Led by John Messamore
                 Byways of Business & Economics • Led by Dr. Dennis Balch
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Potpourri
Dance around the world; videos of an expedition in Middle America & biography video of Anita Cobb

Course Format: Videos with discussion • Course Leader: John Swarm
Course Dates: Monday – September 23, 30, October 7, 14 • Course Time: 9:00 – 10:00 am

The World's Oceans
A four part series that continues our look at the physical, biological, and global aspects of the world's oceans and their connection to life and climate on our planet.

Course Format: Presentation • Course Leader: William Cale
Course Dates: Monday - October 21, 28, November 4, 11 • Course Time: 9:00 – 10:10 am

Byways of Language and Literature
Literary topics that inform, entertain and delight! Recovering lost words with spells, sharp practice in Yoknapatawpha County, a nonfiction account of FDA origins, a review of Gertrude Bell’s life.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: Dennis Balch
Course Dates: Monday – September 23, 30, October 7, 14 • Course Time: 10:35 – 11:45 am

Winston Churchill
This class covers the life and times of Sir Winston Churchill. The emphasis is on Churchill’s early years, his family, his education and military career, and his entry into politics.

Course Format: Great Courses Video & Discussion • Course Leader: Ron Helgemo
Course Dates: Monday - October 2, 16, 30, November 13 • Course Time: 9:00 – 10:10 am

Brown Bag Lunch Talks
Falcon flight to Space flight. Super bugs to what’s bugging you. The Earth from space and the Earth from Mt. Everest. Looking ahead at Kilby and back at ILR.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: Robin Armstrong
Course Dates: Monday • Course Time: 12:30 – 1:40 pm

Food: A Cultural Culinary History
This course explores the history of how humans have produced, cooked, and consumed food. Feeding people has always been the primary concern of our species.

Course Format: Presentation, Discussion • Course Leader: Nora Dalley
Course Dates: Monday – September 23, 30, October 7, 14 • Course Time: 1:50 – 3:00 pm

TED Talks
Talks by leading thinkers around the world. Why do we sleep? Why do we dream? What’s the problem with self-driving cars? Shame, vulnerability and empathy. Is it good to have choices?

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: Susan Daniel
Course Dates: Monday – October 21, 28, November 4, 11 • Course Time: 1:50–3:00 pm

Enjoying The Arts
This class will enjoy exploring different art movements, methods, and artists.

Course Format: Presentation, videos, discussion • Course Leader: Elizabeth Renault
Course Dates: Wednesday • Course Time: 9:00 – 10:10 am

The Great Books: Short Story Omnibus

Course Format: Reading & Discussion • Course Leader: Nancy T. Belue
Course Dates: Wednesday • Course Time: 10:30 – 11:45 am

Community Conversations
Familiar Places: New Faces: Meet new people and their vision for programs that are part of our cultural experience in The Muscle Shoals

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: Nancy C. Gonce
Course Dates: Wednesday • Course Time: 10:35 – 11:45 am

‘Round Town
We will tour Life Data Labs’ solar powered manufacturing plant, TVA Power Service Shop, TVA Archaeology site and stroll through the Special Exhibit ILR Artists’ Gallery!

Course Format: Tour • Course Leader: Robin Armstrong
Course Dates: Wednesday (alternating with American History) • October 2, 16, 30, November 13
Course Time: 11:45 am - 3:30 pm

Outstanding People & Events in American History
Current American History authors detail Andrew Jackson’s transition to ‘Old Hickory’; the history of the Tennessee River; post-Civil War Alabama race politics; lynchings; Scottsboro boys fight for justice.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion, book signings • Course Leader: John Messamore
Course Dates: Wednesday (alternates with ‘Round Town trips) - September 25, October 9, 23, November 6
Course Time: 12:30 – 1:40 pm

Climate Change
This class will address the effect on, and adapting to, a changing world; How climate change is effecting individuals and communities; The River Thames and the city of London; A brief review of basic climate science and data

Course Format: Presentation, videos, discussion • Course Leader: Larry Gautney
Course Dates: Friday – September 27, October 4, 18 • Course Time: 9:00 – 10:10 am

Interfaith Discussions
The Interfaith class fosters dialogue between people of different religious traditions, exploring similarities and differences at both individual and institutional levels. Dialogue promotes understanding of different religions or beliefs to increase interpersonal and intercultural understanding.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion, short program • Course Leader: Jacqueline Osborne
Course Dates: Friday - October 25, November 1, 8, 15 • Course Time: 9:00 - 10:10 am

Surely You’re Joking Professor Feynman
Recipient of the 1965 Nobel Prize in Physics, Feynman is equally known as a bongo player, safe cracker & great storyteller. We will hear of his outrageous exploits & adventures.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: David Curott
Course Dates: Friday – September 27, October 4, 18 • Course Time: 10:35 – 11:45 am

The Great Debate – The American Constitution 1787-1788
The goal of this course is to illuminate the original foundations of our American civic culture by reenacting the Great Debate, from 1787 to 1788, over ratification of the proposed constitution.

Course Format: Great Couse Lecture, Discussion • Course Leader Jean Mammen
Course Dates: Friday - October 25, November 1, 8, 15 • Course Time: 10:35 – 11:45 am

Unscripted Discussions
A moderated, often lively open discussion of selected current events. Share class knowledge, accumulated wisdom, humor, and opinions. Know your ILR students better and find out what they Really think!

Course Format: Open Discussion, minimal presentation • Course Leader: John Messamore
Course Dates: Friday - September 27, October 4, 18 • Course Time: 12:30 – 1:40 pm

Byways of Business and Economics
Thought-provoking and informative topics that help put important economic issues in perspective. Accessing economic data, trends and implications of industry concentration, wealth concentration, and disruptive potential of AI.

Course Format: Presentation, discussion • Course Leader: Dennis Balch
Course Dates: Friday – October 25, November 1, 8, 15 • Course Time: 12:30 – 1:40 pm
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR SEMESTER ORIENTATION, PREVIEW & LUNCHEON!
Wednesday, September 11, 11:00 am in the UNA East Campus Building, 1640 Tune Ave., Florence. Members please bring a covered dish. Board meeting following lunch if needed.

WHAT IS THE INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING IN RETIREMENT (ILR)?
The ILR is a member-led group that determines all activities from course planning to social events. Most discussion groups are led by members. The ILR is an organization of active mature men and women who seek continued intellectual and social stimulation. Regardless of your educational background or work experience, we invite you to try us out without committing to a membership! There are no tests, grades, or prerequisites!

THE INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING IN RETIREMENT IS FOR:
Anyone interested in making new friends and growing & stimulating their mind in an educational environment!

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO BEING AN ILR MEMBER?
For only $70 a semester, joining ILR entitles you to:
• Attend any or all of the courses you would like that are listed in this brochure
• Social Events
• Trips (extra cost may be associated)
• ILR Members receive a 10% discount on UNA Continuing Education Courses.
Simply fill out the registration form located below and mail with your check. Class size is limited in some cases, so register early! If you are interested in attending a regular credit course, there is a Senior Scholar program which is administered through the UNA Office of Admissions (256-765-4608).

FAST & EASY REGISTRATION
Pre-registration is requested so we can be prepared for your attendance.

BY PHONE
Our registration office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. We accept Discover, MasterCard and Visa. Call (256)765-4862 or 1(800)-825-5862, ext. 4862.

IN PERSON
During our office hours, come by our office in the UNA East Campus Building (formerly Powell School), 1640 Tune Avenue, Florence. Please have correct change.

MAIL
Complete the attached registration form and mail with your check or credit card information (don’t mail cash) to Center for Learning & Professional Development, UNA Box 5036, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama 35632-0001.

Registration Form
If registering more than one person, please list additional names and information on an attached sheet or duplicate this form.
Name ______________________________
Mailing Address ____________________________ State _______ Zip ______
City ____________________________
Phone: (Day) ____________________________ (Evening) ____________________________
Mobile ____________________________ Email ____________________________

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