

Summer 2019  
COURSE CATALOG

# LIVE Like You Mean It!



**Get insider access to North Florida's best parks, resources and educators while having a great time.**

**OLLI is the Jacksonville resource for classes, activities and community for those 50 and better.**

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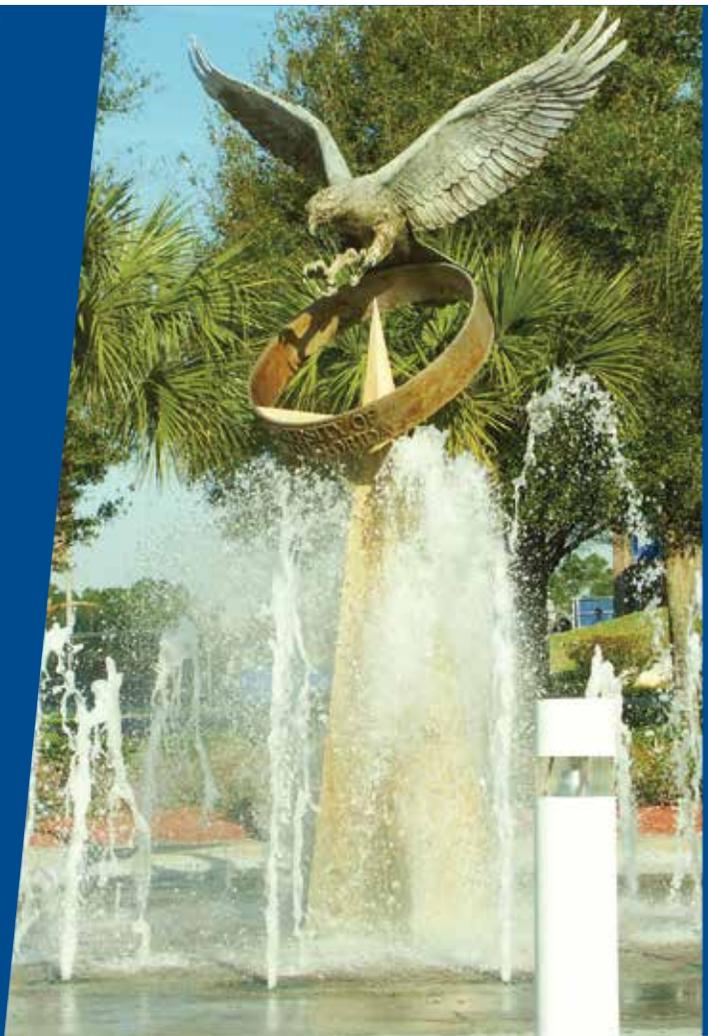
## Keep OLLI at UNF Soaring

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University Development and  
Alumni Engagement



# Welcome!

At UNF, OLLI's motto is live well and learn forever. We are self-organized member volunteers working together to create and deliver educational, cultural and social opportunities for lifelong learners aged 50 and better.

## Benefits

- Access to OLLI's vast selection of programs for a nominal fee
- Free parking when attending an OLLI course
- Three free classes: Don't Be a Sucker! Advice from the FBI (p. 12), Ride Sharing: Get Up, Get Dressed, Show Up and Never Give Up! (p. 23) and Ignite the Spark! (p. 28)
- Apple Users Group (p. 20)
- Opportunity to share your knowledge and talent with other OLLI members
- Be first to hear about new classes and opportunities through the OLLI newsletter
- And much more!
  - Stimulate/exercise your brain
  - Make personal discoveries
  - Be creative
  - Find fulfillment, self-fulfillment
  - Thrive
  - Open your mind
  - Satisfy your curiosity
  - Tap into your wisdom
  - Find new meaning
  - Make new friends, find your tribe
  - Be part of a thriving community of over 1500 members

Membership in the OLLI organization is only \$50 for the year. Thinking about joining? See page 39 for details.



Portrait by Gary Whiting

**Calling all lifelong learners! Yes, it's your turn now.**

Get involved with a health club for your mind, body and spirit.

You'll find a wide variety of opportunities between the covers of this catalog. Our program is designed to support your journey to greater fulfillment, discovery and self-actualization as well as satisfy your curiosity.

Some programs stimulate your brain. Research reveals that learning new things develops new neural connections and pathways which, in turn, enhance neuroplasticity. Others tap into your wisdom, unleash your creativity and provide platforms for you to share your passions or life experiences. All are designed to help you thrive in what some have termed the 2.5 phase of your life.

John Wooden, the legendary athlete, coach and motivator, remarked, "It's what you learn after you know it all that counts." Join a community of spirited people creating greater lives by finding new meaning and making new friends.

Gather with us to enrich your life! We're eager to welcome you to OLLI at UNF.

An eternal student,  
Jeanette M. Toohey, Director OLLI at UNF



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Day of the week, then calendar date, then time of day, then alphabetical by title

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Course offered for the first time.

**Updated** **UPDATED!**  
Course offered with new content.

**ED-ventures** **NEW: ED-VENTURE**  
Course takes place at locations all around town. Check course descriptions for details.

**Explore More** **EXPLORE MORE**  
Course that combines classroom and out-of-classroom experiences over multiple sessions.

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All OLLI members are welcome to attend programs at our partner locations. Be sure to check them out. You'll be glad you did!



# OLLI PARTNER COURSES



## Westminster Woods on Julington Creek

25 State Rd. 13, Jacksonville, FL (Julington Creek)

### The 14th Colony: The American Revolution's Best Kept Secret

Wednesday, June 26, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Discover one of the most astonishing episodes in Florida's 500-year history and a unique story in the American War of Independence. In his December 18, 1775, letter to John Hancock, General George Washington warned the Continental Congress that the British were stockpiling weapons and gunpowder in St. Augustine, East Florida. Washington's letter sounded an alarm that the British were preparing to reclaim the southern colonies by invading Georgia and South Carolina with an army from East Florida, a colony wholly loyal to King George III. Your instructor highlights Washington's prescience in chronicling the story. Skip the notetaking. An optional supplemental text provides the information you heard in class.

**Recommended:** Instructor's \$5 supplemental text

**Instructor:** Roger Smith, p. 36

**NEW!**

### A Brief History of Chocolate

Tuesday, June 11, 10:30 a.m. to noon  
1 session, \$20

Learn more about that delectable confection's origins and importance. Your instructor is a proud chocoholic who charts chocolate's journey from Mesoamerica to Europe and its eventual worldwide popularity.

**Instructor:** Robert L. Gold, p. 32

**NEW!**

### Spanish Florida: A Historical Overview

Tuesday, June 18, 10:30 a.m. to noon  
1 session, \$20

Meet the characters and crooks who conquered, colonized and exploited the land and people. Discover the Spanish colony's eye-opening events. Focus on the famous, infamous and often foolish figures who shaped its long history.

**Recommended:** Student purchase of instructor's book titled "St. Augustine: A Brief History of America's Oldest City"

**Instructor:** Robert L. Gold, p. 32

## Westminster St. Augustine

235 Towerview Rd., St. Augustine, FL (World Golf Village)

### Human and Molecular Genetics: A Course for the Layperson

Thursdays, July 11–Aug. 15  
10:30 a.m. to noon  
6 sessions, \$50

Are you curious about DNA and its implications? Learn about the circle of life and the flow of genetic information. Explore DNA-RNA-Protein, recombinant DNA and copying DNA, mutation, gene variation, gene discovery and sequencing. Understand evolutionary and ancestry concepts. Appreciate mechanisms of diseases, clinical ramifications and personalized medicine. Consider ethical dilemmas. Your questions and perspectives welcome in this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Jim Sylvester, p. 36

**UPDATED!**

### Gullah-Geechee: Florida's Southern Route to Freedom

Saturdays, June 1–8, 1 to 2:30 p.m.  
Field trip: Saturday, June 15  
9:30 a.m. to noon  
3 sessions, \$40

Intensify your knowledge of the impact of West African culture in St. Augustine and elsewhere in the state. Travel from 15th century Spain to European conflicts, New World exploration, the Spanish and British colonial eras and statehood. Learn about the interactions of other ethnic groups and nationalities that contributed to Florida's flourishing. Course format includes presentations, discussion, film screenings and a field trip.

**Instructor:** Derek Boyd Hankerson, p. 32

## One Artist's Mission: Capture the Wilderness Beauty of North Florida's Parks

Thursday, July 11, 10:30 a.m. to noon  
1 session, \$20

Immerse yourself in the beauty of North Florida's wilderness through Kathy Stark's art. An acclaimed figure on the local scene, she shares her passion for the outdoors, especially area parks, through her paintings. Your feast for the eyes is complemented by historical tidbits and surprising information. Learn about Stark's process from site selection to sketching and journaling prior to creating and publishing her work. You might have the rare opportunity to see a large-scale example in progress. Your interest in art, wild places or both is all that's required to participate in this lavishly illustrated lecture and discussion program.

**Recommended:** Instructor's book, "The Wilderness of North Florida's Parks"

**Instructor:** Kathy Stark, p. 36

### NEW!

## 21st Century Geography

Wednesdays, July 17–Aug. 21  
10:30 a.m. to noon, 6 sessions, \$50

Stretch beyond the capital cities of states and nations. One of the mothers of all sciences links the surface of the earth to the locations of and reasons for human events. Topics include population, economics, agriculture and climate change. Discuss the current geopolitical scene through the lens of geographical factors that affect relationships between nations. Bring your curiosity about current events to this lecture and discussion class.

**Recommended:** "The Revenge of Geography" by Robert Kaplan, "The Power of Place" and "Why Geography Matters," both by Harm De Blij

**Instructor:** Joseph L. Warner, p. 37



## Fleet Landing

1 Fleet Landing Blvd.  
Atlantic Beach, FL (at Mayport Rd.)

## The Nazi Hunters

Thursday, June 20, 2 to 3:30 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Discover men and women who refused to allow Nazi crimes to be forgotten. Your instructor describes how he collected their accounts to create his recent book. Learn how the initial pursuit of revenge developed into an unyielding quest for justice. Perpetrators were tracked to the furthest corners of the globe. Cultivate an appreciation of the author's longstanding fascination with WWII-related subjects and what those extraordinary times can teach us today.

**Recommended:** Instructor's book, "The Nazi Hunters" is available for purchase in class

**Instructor:** Andrew Nagorski, p. 34

## Philosophy through Thought Experiments, Puzzles and Paradoxes

Thursdays, Aug. 1–22, 2 to 3:30 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Explore philosophical questions using unique techniques. Probe why humans differ from robots and devices with artificial intelligence. Are thoughts and

decisions simply biochemical processes or something more? Do you have free will or are you just a victim of fate? Learn to investigate these and other questions in unusual, provocative ways. Class format inspires lively, jargon-free discussion that leads to new insights. Your inquiring mind and curiosity about the world around you are the only prerequisites. Instructor provides supplemental resources to enhance your learning. You may leave class with more questions than answers.

**Instructor:** Richard Birdsall, p. 29

### NEW!

## I Want to Write But How Do I Start?

Thursdays, June 6–27, 10:30 a.m. to noon  
4 sessions, \$40

Define your strengths and decide what to write. Start with fiction. Your first session begins with idea generation and concludes with a writing assignment. Share your work in a friendly, supportive environment. Receive feedback by the method you choose, either in class or via instructor's email. Bring your desire to write to this highly interactive class.

**Required:** Pen or pencil, paper, writing assignments in and outside of class

**Instructor:** Janet Kuchler, p. 33

Join fellow OLLI explorers as we experience:

# -*Boston*-

Gain a new appreciation for Boston's rich history, vibrant culture and magnificent environs.

Discoveries abound in an extraordinary adventure in a great American city. Follow the historic path where patriots once walked. Explore the Freedom Trail and notable landmarks along the way. Hear stories of famous revolutionaries, visit the sites of Paul Revere's famous "one if by land, two if by sea" lanterns at The Old North Church and the Boston Massacre. Cultivate an appreciation of the city's maritime history as you delight in a harbor cruise.

Experience cultural treasures including the Museum of Fine Arts and historic Trinity Church on Copley Square. Revel in the city's natural beauty. Learn about Frederick Law Olmsted, the founder of American landscape architecture and foremost park-maker, and the city's Emerald Necklace, his tour de force. Go behind the scenes at Fenway Park, Major League Baseball's oldest ballpark. Cheer the world champion Red Sox along with home game fans. Enjoy a foodie paradise, a prominent brewery and the renowned North End where aromas of garlic and oregano lure you into historic Italian restaurants. Use your limited free time to visit venues not on your itinerary.

**When: Sept. 4 to Sept. 9, 2019**

**Price: \$1,749 (pp double occupancy)  
\$2,309 (pp single occupancy)**

#### **What's included?**

- 5 nights of accommodations at Hilton Boston Back Bay
- 12 meals (5 B, 4 L, 3 D)
- 2 expert-led lectures
- 10 field trips
- 2 performances
- An experienced group leader accompanies throughout the program
- Modest gratuities, taxes and destination fees
- Group travel and transfers throughout the program
- The Road Scholar Assurance Plan, including 24-hour assistance for medical and other emergencies

#### **Exclusions:**

- Travel to/from venue hotel
- Optional trip protection (you cancel or experience delays)

#### **Activity level:**

Let's Go! You're energetic and enjoy a good physical challenge. You like spending the day on the move. You're game to ride public transit and walk on city streets including cobblestones. You're comfortable walking for up to five miles daily. You have the mobility, stamina and agility to walk three to four miles over uneven surfaces.

#### **Registration**

**At least one in a traveling quartet must be an OLLI member. Email [unfolli@unf.edu](mailto:unfolli@unf.edu) to express interest. You'll be invited to attend a FREE information session.**





**Most programs take place at the University of North Florida Adam W. Herbert University Center 12000 Alumni Drive, Jacksonville, FL.**

**See program description for date, time and location.**

**NEW!**

**Charles I, Black Tom and the Divine Right of Kings**

May 6, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
1 session, \$20

Discover a pivotal, fascinating period in English history. Meet King Charles I, ruler of England, Scotland and Ireland from 1625 to 1649. Understand how the beliefs that governed his policies and actions led to conflict with the parliament as well as some Protestant factions. Learn about the conditions and events that led to war with Scotland, an Irish rebellion and civil war in England. Chart the rise and fall of Thomas Wentworth, Earl of Strafford, the king's most able administrator. Bring your interest in English history to this illustrated lecture.

**Instructor:** Nancy Blanton, p. 29

**UPDATED!**

**Diplomacy and the Making of U.S. Foreign Policy**

May 6 – 20, 10 a.m. to noon  
3 sessions, \$40

Accelerate your understanding of the many influences impacting the formulation of foreign policy. Evaluate the State Department's changing role in shaping and implementing that policy abroad. Your instructor shares personal experiences from his career as a diplomat to illustrate major shifts in diplomatic practice. Class format is lecture and discussion. Recommended readings enhance your learning and dialogue.

**Instructor:** Samuel Hart, p. 32

# UNF COURSES

## MONDAYS

**Disease, Disasters and Catastrophes:**

**Their Effects on History**

April 29 – June 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
(No class May 27) 5 sessions, \$45

Maximize your understanding of factors that influence history. Transcend the notion that it is aggregated accounts of great men and women, political intrigue, military adventure or economic growth and development. Microorganisms, natural disasters and disasters orchestrated by humans have also played significant roles. Define calamities that affect human history. Situate events in context to see how phenomena fit together. Gather to define a disaster that affects human history. Recognize what may be learned. Your instructor recommends readings to enrich your learning in this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Joe O'Shields, p. 35

**Social Security Checklist**

April 29, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
1 session, \$20

Are you age 55 or better? Are you looking forward to life after retirement? Start planning now. Maximize your understanding of social security and factors that impact your benefits. Instructor provides an overview, answers your questions and directs you to helpful resources.

**Instructor:** Rory Gregg, p. 32

**Tai Chi for Your Aching Back**

April 29 – May 6, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

Experience improved health, balance and vitality. Discover slow, gentle movements and exercises that help to release tension and stiffness as well as ease back pain. Course format includes lectures, discussion and active participation. Exercises and movements may be difficult or even painful for people with certain pre-existing conditions. Consult with your doctor and do not enroll if you are uncertain of your ability to participate.

**Required:** Wear comfortable clothing

**Instructor:** Sue Lamb Myers, p. 34

**Tai Chi for Health and Vitality**

April 29 – May 20, noon to 1:30 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Improve your balance and flexibility, increase your strength and reduce stress through practice of an ancient Chinese martial art now adopted as a gentle form of exercise. Learn basic movements and sequences that you can use as a form of healthy, meditative activity for the rest of your life. Course entails exercises and movements that may be difficult or even painful for people with certain pre-existing conditions. Consult with your doctor, and do not enroll if you are uncertain about your ability to participate.

**Instructor:** Sue Lamb Myers, p. 34

**UPDATED!****Studio Painting in Oils and Acrylics**

May 6 – July 15 (No class May 27)  
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
10 sessions, \$85

Calling all artists from beginning to intermediate and advanced! Develop or enhance your technical skills. Consider the importance of perspective. Experiment with color and texture. Class format encompasses plenty of time to paint as well as opportunities to give and receive helpful critiques in a supportive environment.

**Required:** Suitable attire, materials from instructor's emailed list

**Instructor:** Maureen Kirschhofer, p. 33

**NEW!****CRISPR and the Gene Editing Controversy**

May 6 – 13, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

Understand the gene editing technology known as CRISPR and its controversial applications. It has the potential to treat genetic diseases, cancer and HIV as well as eliminate pests and design babies. While it is the cheapest, simplest and most effective way to manipulate DNA, it also poses significant ethical challenges in a global society. How should the technology be used and controlled? Expect an explanation of gene editing basics and overview of the aspirations and potential dangers of a technology featured in recent and current media reports. Bring your curiosity, concern or both to this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Bryan McKersie, p. 34

**NEW: ED-VENTURE****Beaches Legends, Liars and Lagers: A Walking Tour**

May 6, 5 to 8 p.m.  
1 session, \$50  
(Fee includes beverage on tour)

Beat evening rush hour traffic by gathering for a Dutch-treat happy hour at a local restaurant. Gary Sass, an award-winning storyteller and local historian, leads you on an entertaining stroll modeled on London's famed pub walks. Hear legends of the beaches, one of which is entirely fictional. Mingle along the way to decide which outlandish story is fake. Alight for a prepaid adult beverage midway through the tour. Finish outside a pub. Receive a free drink if you correctly identified the bogus story. Transportation is on your own.

**Required:** Mobility and stamina to walk one mile

**Coordinators:** Eric Haeseler, p. 32 and Christine Lewitzke, p. 33

**UPDATED!****Master the Masters: Adventures of a Symphonic Detective**

May 13 and June 3, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
2 sessions, \$25

Dates vary according to the Jacksonville Symphony Masterworks schedule.

A collaboration with Beaches Residents Actively Supporting the Symphony (BRASS) and the Jacksonville Symphony (JSym).

Maximize your enjoyment of the JSym's 2018-19 season of the Florida Blue Masterworks Series of concerts. Each Monday prior to the weekend concert, you put the performance under a microscope. Begin with analyses of the programmed works. Focus on the composers and their compositions. Each class concludes with a cameo appearance by a guest musician who plays for you and answers your questions. Bring the music to life in this lively, highly interactive class.

**May 14:** Brahms Symphony No. 1

**June 4:** Season Finale! Mahler 5

**Instructor:** Lynne Radcliffe, p. 35



**Get up close to  
the action with OLLI**

**NEW!**

**Dental Implants and Dental Health**

May 20, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Learn how to improve your smile at any age. Gain insights about today's implants including techniques and long-lasting materials that provide the most lifelike results. Understand the important role of dental health in your overall well-being. Get your questions answered in this lecture and discussion program.

**Instructor:** Richard Carlson, p. 30

**NEW!**

**Meet Your OLLI's Authors**

May 20, June 17 and July 29  
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3 sessions, \$35

Enhance your understanding of how and why people become authors. Each month read at least one book by an OLLI member. Expect a diverse range of topics and genres. Each session begins with a book discussion and is followed by conversation with the author. Learn how each approaches the craft of writing, garnering book ideas, undertaking research and addressing obstacles. Your questions and perspectives are welcome in this facilitated seminar.

**Required:** Acquire and read each month's book

**Coordinator:** Edward Mickolus, p. 34

**Medicare 101**

June 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
1 session, \$20

Increase your understanding of Medicare basics, including its history and what the alphabet of its parts (A, B, C and D) mean. Examine supplemental, advantage and prescription drug plans as well as other benefits and services. Access useful resources to inform your decision-making.

**Instructor:** Rory Gregg, p. 32

**UPDATED!**

**Texas Hold'em Poker for Beginners**

June 3 – 24, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$50

Kenny Rogers' gambler declared, "If you're going to play the game boy, you got to learn to play it right." Learn the order of play as well as evaluation of your hole cards and community cards. Recognize the importance of table position, effective betting, bluffing and managing your chips. Appreciate the importance of decision-making based on probability, psychology and patience. Course designed as an introduction for new poker players and those with limited Texas Hold'em experience. Emphasis on weekly practice play complemented by instruction.

**Instructor:** Bob Wagner, p. 37

**NEW!**

**Don't Be a Sucker! Advice from the FBI**

June 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, FREE

Older adults are common targets for cons and frauds. Discover the scams targeting local populations. Learn how to protect your finances. Hear how the FBI is working with local and state law enforcement to counteract crime and drug use as well as opportunities for community members to support those efforts. Gain insights about FBI operations and its investigative priorities in north Florida.

**Instructor:** Amanda Videll, p. 37

**NEW!**

**Home Design Concepts for Successful Aging in Place**

June 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Americans are living longer and enjoying more active lives. Many wish to remain in their homes for emotional or economic reasons or both. Identify common challenges for older adults as well as those with mobility or sensory needs. Learn how you can create an attractive, comfortable and convenient environment that enhances safety and accessibility. Get your questions answered in a session that includes presentation, visuals and discussion.

**Instructor:** Bill Lazar, p. 33

**NEW!**

**Learn to Blog with WordPress**

July 1 and 8, 9:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

What's a blog? Discover how you can start one for free. Novices learn basics about the art of blogging and one of the largest platforms for posting creative work on the Internet. Explore templates and techniques for adding photographs and events. Share your craft with family and friends or join the



global blogosphere. Your instructor is a seasoned blogger who demonstrates his use of WordPress to communicate with clients and fellow artists.

**Required:** Basic computer or tablet skills

**Recommended:** Bring your laptop or tablet to class

**Instructor:** Gary Whiting, p. 37

### **Protect Yourself from Scams**

July 22, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

1 session, \$20

You have assets and were raised to be trusting and polite. That's why you're prey for fraudsters. Protect yourself. Learn what you can do to avoid becoming a victim. Learn about your options for recourse if you do.

**Instructor:** Rory Gregg, p. 32

#### **NEW!**

### **From Molly Hatchet to Burning Bras**

July 22, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$20

Bring your interest in history and curiosity about economics to this illustrated presentation. Trace the recent history of women's empowerment and its impact on the economy. Consider women's right to own property. Reflect on the potential of women to influence the future.

**Instructor:** Scott Grant, p. 32

#### **NEW!**

### **Invest in Your Grandchildren's Future: Own Great American Companies**

Aug. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$20

Learn about the companies that have shaped and will continue to shape the economy. Which companies are they? How can owning them affect your family's future? Just bring your interest in economics to this program.

**Instructor:** Scott Grant, p. 32

## **TUESDAYS**

### **Current Events**

Session 1: April 30 – June 25

9:30 to 11:30 a.m., \$80

Session 2: July 2 – Aug. 27

9:30 to 11:30 a.m., \$80

9 sessions

Discuss significant news events of the day. Gain an appreciation of diverse opinions on each topic. Your active participation is essential. Bring at least one article each week to present as a potential topic. Your facilitator assists by keeping the discussion on track and open to all.

**Facilitator:** Jay Melesky, p. 34

### **Investing for Those Who Do Not Want to Think About It**

April 30 to May 14, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

3 sessions, \$35

Conquer your fear of the markets. Do well without constantly tending your portfolio. Enhance your knowledge of investment products to mitigate your reliance on a third party. Your instructor provides helpful resources to complement this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Robert Black, p. 29

### **50 Years of Jacksonville History: Journalism, Media and Politics**

April 30 – May 21, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

4 sessions, \$40

Achieve greater understanding of our community, its media and its politics. Your instructor has reported and commented on and participated in Jacksonville public affairs for nearly 50 years. Anticipate lively discussions focusing on the media and politicians. This lecture and discussion program is complemented by videos.

**Instructor:** Harry Reagan, p. 35



#### **NEW!**

### **All about Coffee**

April 30 – May 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2 sessions, \$30

Calling all fans of that delectable brewed drink! Learn what coffee is, where it's grown and its processing journey from the farm to your cup. Gain insights to prepare the optimal cup of coffee. Bring your curiosity to this lecture and discussion class. Your expert guide worked as a plant engineer for a major brand.

**Instructor:** Jayant D. Sathe, p. 35

#### **UPDATED!**

### **Learn to be Happy!**

April 30 – May 21, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

4 sessions, \$40

Discover how to improve every aspect of your life. Tap into the latest scientific findings and how to measure happiness. Learn to apply a little effort to enhance your genetic predisposition to be happy. Positive effects include improved relationships, a sense of gratitude and a host of other physiological and psychosocial benefits. Your instructor shares his happiness practice during a recent series of health crises. Course format is lecture and discussion. Instructor supplies resources to support your ongoing learning.

**Recommended:** "Happy in Intensive Care" by the instructor

**Instructor:** Robert Black, p. 29

**NEW!**

**Stories of Liberia:  
A Personal Odyssey**

April 30 – May 14, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Liberia was founded in the early 1800s as a result of American politics framing slavery and race as well as foreign policy interests. Learn about the 1820 journey of 88 free black settlers and three white American Colonization Society (ACS) members who sailed to West Africa in search of a permanent settlement. Seven years later the country was established as a sovereign state. Your instructor is an acclaimed storyteller who enthralls you with accounts of a 10-month odyssey immersing herself in 171 years of Liberia’s history, culture and people. She shares her research as well as her curatorial work to prepare three exhibits for the November 2017 reopening of the National Museum of Liberia, an institution that was nearly destroyed by civil war.

**Instructor:** Carol Alexander, p. 29

**UPDATED!**

**Straight Up! The History of  
Helicopters and Their Impact**

April 30 – May 28, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
5 sessions, \$45

Discover that amazing invention’s significant impact on history and everyday life. Examine the aerodynamics and functions of helicopters and other vertical takeoff aircraft. Trace the technology from its roots as an ancient Chinese toy to Renaissance artist Leonardo da Vinci’s sketch for a manned helicopter. Unleash technology’s hidden history from the Nazi WWII aviatrix on a mission to help Adolph Hitler escape to the intellectual who built a helicopter to study philosophy and a rescue pilot who went on to write operas. Learn which French female army surgeon flew a small, primitive helicopter across Indochina

battlefields to perform lifesaving surgeries long before the U.S. was involved in Vietnam. Consider whether the U.S. would have been involved in Vietnam without the helicopter, if they prolonged the Iranian hostage crisis and cost Jimmy Carter his bid to be re-elected as President. Gain insights about the role of that rotorcraft in Osama bin Laden’s capture, medical evacuations and news gathering as well as naval, Coast Guard and Army National Guard operations. Conclude by looking to future innovations including transportation.

**Instructor:** Kenneth Bording, p. 30

**NEW!**

**Weather Around You:  
An Introduction to the Basics**

May 7 – 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Embrace your interest in meteorological phenomena. Define the forces that create daily conditions. Examine clouds, precipitation, wind and storms. Learn how to read a basic weather map and how meteorologists use them. Familiarize yourself with the instruments that measure weather variables. Discover facts behind weather disasters that could have been mitigated by more accurate forecasting. The basic math skills of addition, subtraction and multiplication are all you need to maximize your learning. Class format encompasses lecture, video, handouts and your participation.

**Instructor:** Paul Bell, p. 29

**Understand the Construction of  
Racial Inequity in the U.S.**

May 7 – June 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
6 sessions, \$50

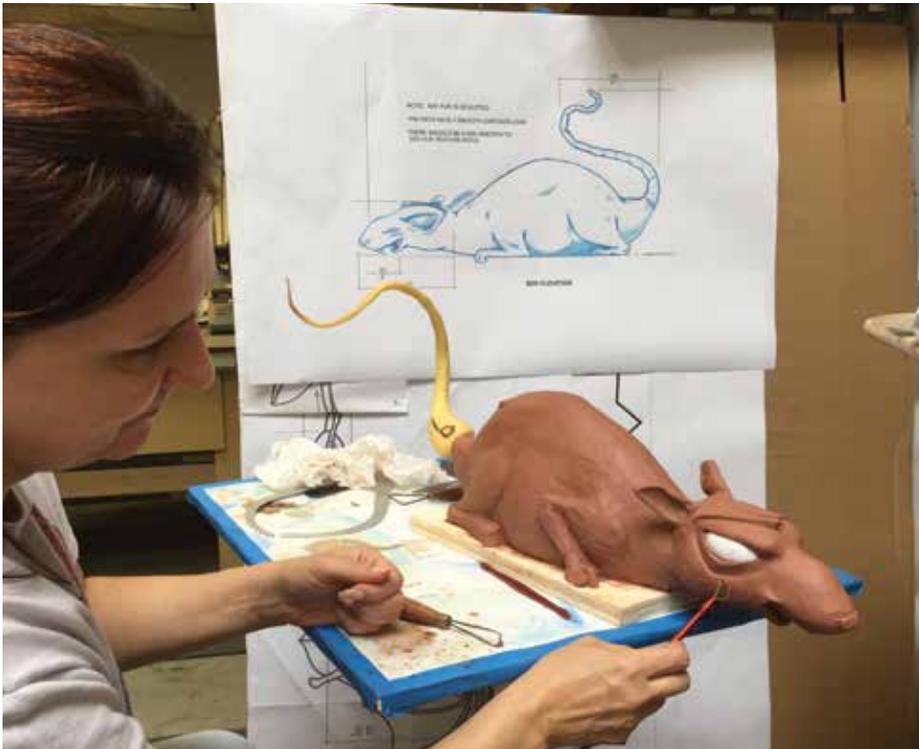
Transform your perception of the construction and experience of America’s racial and ethnic identity groups as well as intergroup relations in the United States. How are social identity, race and ethnicity used to divide a majority poor middle class country? Social and racial identity inform consciousness of privilege and power as well as structural norms in societies and institutions. Assess social conflict over the historical distribution of wealth and power. Utilize systemic perspectives on systemic power relationships in the U.S. to learn how to bring humanity and support to individuals and groups who work for inclusion, racial equity and social justice. Your active engagement through discussion and outside reading, as well as small and large group exercises, ensures each session is meaningful and impactful.

**Recommended:** “White By Law: The Legal Construction of Race” by Ian Haney Lopez, “The Color of Wealth: The Story Behind the U.S. Wealth Divide” by Lui, Meizhu, et al., “A People’s History of The United States 1492 – Present” by Howard Zinn

**Facilitator:** Annie Rodriguez, p. 35



**OLLI annual membership  
is still only \$50.  
See page 39 to join!**



**NEW!**

### **Photographer's Walkabout in a Butterfly Rainforest**

May 28, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

**Field trip:** June 4 10 a.m. to noon at University of Florida's Museum of Natural History, 3215 Hull Rd., Gainesville

2 sessions, \$35 (Includes field trip admission fee)

Calling all novice and intermediate photographers with a passion for photography and nature. Prepare for your shoot in the classroom. Then apply what you've learned on your field trip to a living exhibit that features hundreds of free-flying butterflies and birds. Your mentor is a seasoned photographer and master naturalist who provides opportunities for you to practice techniques on your own or obtain advice. Debrief and enjoy camaraderie with fellow OLLIs over a Dutch-treat lunch. Extend your day by visiting the Harn Museum of Art. Field trip transportation is on your own. Weather conditions may require scheduling on an alternative date.

**Required:** A digital SLR, mirrorless or point-and-shoot camera (no cell phones); stamina and mobility for moderate walking, dress for warm weather and humid conditions, comfortable shoes

**Instructor:** Gary Whiting, p. 37

**UPDATED: ED-VENTURE**

### **Discover Sally Corporation**

May 14, 10 to 11 a.m. (Excludes lunch)  
1 session, \$25

**Location:** 745 W. Forsyth St., Jacksonville

Visit a global animatronics leader headquartered in Jacksonville. Learn how creatures and rides are created, from concept to installation. You'll meet the firm's scream-inducing monster in residence, a tyrannosaurus rex. Most creations are one-of-a kind that cost between one and 10 million dollars. The firm's customers include Six Flags, Universal Studios and LEGOLAND. Sally's recently completed Justice League: Battle for Metropolis, a four-dimensional dark ride, was installed in Six Flags parks in California, Georgia and New Jersey. Cameras welcome. Transportation is on your own. After the tour, debrief with fellow members over a Dutch-treat lunch in Brooklyn.

**Required:** Mobility to stand and walk for an hour, comfortable shoes

**Coordinator:** Eric Haeseler, p. 32

### **Wellness and Stress Management**

May 14 – June 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Empower yourself. Control your perceptions of and responses to stressors. Improve respiration, pulse, digestion, blood sugar and perspiration. Learn to read your body to reduce or eliminate stress-induced aches, pains and migraines. Discover techniques for correct diaphragmatic breathing. Increase your body's positive blood flow. Maximize progressive muscle relaxation, autogenic training, imagery and biofeedback skills. This highly interactive class offers opportunities to integrate stress management into your health care.

**Recommended:** Wear loose, comfortable clothing

**Instructor:** Inge Thompson, p. 36

**NEW!**

**The Material World: From Cavemen to Alchemy to the Atomic Age**

May 28 – June 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Have you ever wondered why mom cooked with an iron skillet? Or, why clay pots have been used for cooking since biblical times? Consider the sources for those and other useful materials. Enhance your understanding of important scientific milestones and the evolution of the material world. Examine two broad questions: What materials did early humans use and why? What was the course from a few early materials to the vast number in use today? Learn how the social environment influences scientific thinking and the evolution in chemistry. Your instructor provides an overview at the beginning of each session to frame your discussion and refers you to helpful reading material.

**Instructor:** Paula Parker, p. 35

**NEW!**

**Independently Healthy: Leverage Online Information to Improve Healthcare Knowledge**

June 4 and 11, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

Two-thirds of Americans use the Internet to search for health information. Healthcare consumers and caregivers are invited to learn how to evaluate the trustworthiness of health-related websites and information. Appreciate the importance of health literacy and strategies to improve understanding and communication. Identify sources for validated web-based health information. Understand how clinical research can help you make informed decisions. This class combines lecture and discussion with interactive components. Your instructor administers at least one assessment tool and assigns homework that you'll discuss in the second session.

**Instructor:** Susan Harnett, p. 32

**NEW!**

**Share Your Vacations with PowerPoint Presentations**

June 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Create lively, engaging visual experiences for family and friends. Acquire fundamental skills with the potential to boost your confidence and unleash your imagination. Course format encompasses lecture, demonstration and discussion.

**Required:** Windows' PowerPoint program on your computer

**Instructor:** Joe Varon, p. 37

**NEW!**

**Understand Alzheimer's and Dementia**

June 4 – 25, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Explore the science of Alzheimer's. Define the disease and its 10 signs. Learn effective strategies for communicating with persons living with dementia. Recognize dementia-related behavior and anticipate appropriate responses. Your participation is welcome in this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Cari Eyre, p. 31

**NEW!**

**Travel Tale: An Elegant Safari in South Africa**

June 11, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
1 session, \$20

Make virtual visits to Capetown, the Cape of Good Hope and famed wineries. Learn about an outstanding three-day visit in the bush with locals. Hear about experiences with the big five game and many other wild animals in this lavishly illustrated lecture and discussion program. You're welcome to attend whether you are considering such a trip or just curious.

**Instructor:** Robert Schiffner, p. 35

**NEW!**

**Get More from Your Camera: A Travel Photography Workshop**

June 11 – 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

**Field trip:** June 18

3 sessions, \$35

Accelerate your skills! Get better shots regardless of lighting conditions. Learn about composition and exposure techniques in the classroom. Take a field trip to a local venue for hands-on experience. Transportation is on your own. Return to the classroom for a final session to get your questions answered and review student work in a friendly, helpful environment. Novice and intermediate photographers who want to take better photographs of family fun or beautiful landscapes are welcome.

**Required:** Bring camera and manual to class, no cell phones

**Instructor:** Gary Whiting, p. 37

**UPDATED!**

**Exploring Freedom through Fiction: "Free To Be," a Novel**

June 11, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

1 session, \$20

Learn about the challenges faced by enslaved people during the Civil War. Some were free wage laborers. Not all wanted to be free. Others found the overnight transition from enslavement to freedom particularly difficult. Inspired by South Carolina's Port Royal Experiment, this work of historical fiction chronicles the journey of Crecie, a fourth generation slave. Your instructor presents her novel and encourages your participation in discussion.

**Required:** Prior to class read "Free To Be," available through the Jacksonville Public Library, Amazon, Kindle, Nook and iBooks

**Instructor:** Gracie Chandler, p. 30

**NEW: ED-VENTURE**

**On the Move: Get to Know the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization**

June 18, 10 to 11:45 a.m.

(Excludes lunch) 1 session, \$30

**Location:** 980 North Jefferson St., Jacksonville

Jeff Sheffield, executive director, guides your tour of the operation's hub and outlines the Dynamic Detour Program as well as the Smart Region Master Plan. Current projects have been built on more than a decade's worth of Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) initiatives. Learn about the TPO and its work, the role of technology and security measures. Consider the next wave of automated and connected vehicles. Examine how the Regional Transportation Management Center coordinates with Florida Department of Transportation, Florida Highway Patrol, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and other agencies to plan and manage major events including transportation incidents. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own. Debrief with fellow members over a Dutch-treat lunch in Riverside after the tour.

**Recommended:** Comfortable shoes

**Coordinator:** Diane Dyal, p. 30

**NEW!**

**The Golden Age of Piracy**

June 18 and 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2 sessions, \$30

Much of the pirate lore you know does not comport with historical records. Examine whether fictional characters Captain Jack Sparrow and Long John Silver were modeled after real pirates. Compare literary and motion picture portrayals to factual accounts. Learn about legendary figures including Captain Kidd, Black Bart, Calico Jack Rackham and Blackbeard in the first session. In the second session, focus on the femmes fatales of the savage seas who were said to have hard hearts and soft bosoms. Chart the inglorious profession of piracy and its impacts on history's course.

**Instructor:** Patrick McCormack, p. 34

**NEW: ED-VENTURE**

**Wine and Dine in France at Publix Aprons Cooking School**

June 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

1 session, \$50

**Location:** 10500 San Jose Blvd., Jacksonville

Raise your glass of wine to toast the chefs and share a meal with fellow foodies. Your venue is ideal for learning a bit and having some fun. Enjoy a demonstration-style lunch – the chefs do the cooking, while you enjoy a French-themed lunch and wine pairings. Feast on potage au pistou (seasonal soup), coq au vin (chicken braised in wine) and île flottant (soft meringue floating in crème anglais). Be entertained and maybe even inspired to cook a similar meal on your own. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own.

**Coordinator:** Madeline Jorgensen, p. 32



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**UPDATED!**

**Editing with Photos for Mac: An Introduction**

July 2 – 16, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Formerly iPhoto, Photos for Mac is Apple's organizing and editing software for the laptop or desktop computer. A seasoned photographer teaches you organization tips to store and arrange thousands of images for rapid retrieval. Learn steps to make image adjustments and export them for use in other projects. Experience is not required. This overview course for novices and intermediate photographers encompasses lecture, demonstration and a little hands-on experience.

**Recommended:** Bring MacBook laptop with Photos for Mac or iPhoto installed if you have one

**Instructor:** Gary Whiting, p. 37

**NEW: ED-VENTURE**

**Museum of Southern History: Politics from 1840 to 1865**

July 9, 10 to 11:30 a.m.  
1 session, \$30

Enjoy museum president Ben Willingham's presentation about the circumstances that gave rise to the Civil War. Then tour museum exhibitions that fulfill the organization's mission to preserve the history, ideals and chivalry of the South. Displays range in date from the age of the Timucuan to Operation Enduring Freedom. Prized artifacts include several flags including a 37-star example donated by the Applegate family, one that adorned Abraham Lincoln's casket and a Confederate battle flag of the 19<sup>th</sup> regiment of Georgia's infantry. Learn about the museum's outstanding genealogical research resources. Cameras welcome. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own. After the tour, debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at a neighborhood restaurant.

**Coordinators:** Laurel Conderman, p. 30 and Andrea Zbiegien, p. 37

**WEDNESDAYS**

**NEW!**

**The Jewish War**

May 1 – 22, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Examine the peculiar choices Adolf Hitler and his war cabinet made as they pursued the conquest of Europe in World War II. Was the goal to seize Europe or destroy Jews and Judaism? Study the evidence and assemble the puzzle pieces to make up your own mind in this stimulating lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Merrill Shapiro, p. 36

**UPDATED!**

**Mastering Retirement: Keys to Success after Your Retirement Date**

May 1 and May 8, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

Congratulations on navigating an early retirement! Ensure that your money will last and your loved ones will receive what you intend for them, without Uncle Sam taking an undeserved amount. Explore the investment, legal and healthcare challenges that await you, as well as appropriate decision making as you face them. Class format includes guest speakers from the legal and healthcare fields that enliven your informative discussion.

**Instructor:** Bill Laird, p. 33

NEW

# Explore More

## Your Parks and Other Timeless Treasures

May 1 – 15, Times vary

3 sessions, \$45

### Locations vary

Boost your appreciation and enjoyment of Jacksonville's rich natural and cultural resources. The city boasts one of the largest urban park systems in the United States. Its 84,000 acres are complemented by neighborhoods steeped in history and rich in cultural resources. Be inspired to take advantage of them! Learn how some of our parks were created, what they offer to the public and their future outlook. Presentations by recognized experts are complemented by guided field trips, all within an hour of UNF. Walk trails at a slow pace for up to a mile. Field trip transportation is on your own.

**Required:** Ability to walk safely on uneven ground for one hour

**Recommended for field trips:** Dress for the weather, comfortable closed-toe walking shoes, sunscreen, bug spray, water and camera

### May 1, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

(Includes field trip and time for lunch)

Begin at UNF with an overview of the course. Receive itineraries and maps for each session. Carpooling encourages socialization and provides navigation assistance.

Guest speaker Maria Mark, coordinator of UNF's Environmental Leadership program shares insights about the past, present and future importance of nature and parks in our lives. She is a strong community advocate with an extensive background. Mark served as executive director of the Timucuan Parks Foundation for 10 years, earned Florida master naturalist certification and won awards for her work.

**Field trip:** Jacksonville Arboretum & Gardens

**Location:** 1445 Millcoke Road, Jacksonville

Begin under shade trees with a seated presentation to learn about the history and development of that 120-acre venue. Take a 0.3 mile or 900 step walk on the Lake Loop Trail as you hear about the plants and trees that create the property's unique beauty. Debrief with fellow members over a sack lunch. You're welcome to stay on after lunch to explore other trails or get more steps in.

**Recommended:** Sack lunch and beverage

### May 8, 10 a.m. to noon

(Excludes time for lunch)

**Field trip:** Historic Springfield and Henry J. Klutho Park

**Location:** Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum, 101 West 1st St. (corner of 1st and Laura streets), Jacksonville

Museum director Rick Minor introduces one of 10 U.S. venues that present the private manuscript collection of David and Marsha Karpeles, the largest of its kind in the world. Then enjoy a presentation by a representative of the Springfield Improvement Association and Archives (SIAA). Established in 1869, that historic district boasts of a square mile containing 1,800 structures that are 75 years or older. Learn about the wide range of architectural styles represented by the historic homes known as the neighborhood's grand old ladies. Cultivate an understanding of historic preservation, beautification and programming initiatives that continually improve the community's vibrancy.

Conclude with a short walk to Henry J. Klutho Park, an 18-acre property that is a hub for a network of parks along Hogan's Creek. Klutho, a student of renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright, transformed Jacksonville's skyline and historic neighborhoods by introducing the modernist Prairie Style in the years following the Great Fire of 1901. Tour the bandstand, fountain and heritage baseball field. Walk through a collection of sculptures curated by UNF art professor Jenny Hager-Vickery. Try your hand at disc golf before you debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at a nearby restaurant.

### May 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

(Includes time for lunch)

**Field trip:** Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

**Location:** 7000 Roosevelt Blvd., Jacksonville

Meet Jean Schubert, naturalist supervisor for the City of Jacksonville's parks, to learn about the history, flora and fauna. Once used for a variety of military purposes beginning in WWI, the site is now known as a richly diverse ecosystem. Schubert, a captivating storyteller, provides memorable descriptions of the plants, trees, bugs and other critters you see along the trail. Visit the Nature Center's collection of live and preserved specimens before debriefing over a potluck picnic. You provide a small side dish to share, and we bring the hot dogs. Why not stay on after lunch to explore more of the park?

**Coordinators:** Laurel Conderman, p. 30 and Kathy Scott, p. 36



**Apple Users Group**

May 1, June 5 or Aug. 7,  
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session (each), FREE

Boost your Apple technology skills. Guest speakers present tips about Apple products including iPhones, iPads and Macs. Topics include software and hardware. Presentations followed by question-and-answer period. Dispense your valuable knowledge and experience, too, as this is a sharing group. Whether you're a current or prospective Apple user, all from beginner to advanced are welcome.

**Facilitator:** Carolyn Godwin, p. 31

**UPDATED!**

**The Chemistry of Cooking**

May 1 – May 15, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Good fats or bad fats? Chocolate bar or sugar-free candy? Healthy eating is your goal whether the food comes from your kitchen or a purveyor. Understand the common ingredients and nutrients you consume each day and whether or not they contribute to good health. Learn about proteins, carbohydrates and fats as well as their effects on your health. Analyze nutrients found in common foods including beverages, meats and desserts. Investigate the composition of your favorite foods and recipes. Just bring your curiosity to this class that combines lecture and discussion with some small group work and sample tastings.

**Instructor:** Paula Parker, p. 35

**NEW!**

**The Gospel of Thomas:  
Alternative or Suppressed Text?**

May 1 – 29, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
5 sessions, \$45

Many accounts of the life of Jesus of Nazareth called gospels existed prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. The 1945 discovery

of an ancient library at Nag-Hammadi in Egypt, a collection of 13 ancient codices containing more than 50 texts, precipitated a significant reevaluation of early Christian history and the nature of Gnosticism. Sayings by Jesus recorded by Thomas, one of his disciples, were among those texts. They may date from the time of Jesus but were not included in the Christian New Testament. Appreciate the variety of ways that early Christians may have understood Jesus and his message. Explore the range of interpretations that defined a variety of groups that self-identified as Christians. Consider the controversies and conflicts that played a formative role in defining Christian antiquity. Reflect on the impact that varieties of thought had on the development of approved texts. Bring your interest in early Christianity to this lecture and discussion class.

**Required:** Some familiarity with the Christian New Testament, particularly the gospels

**Recommended:** Gospel of Thomas, readily available free online

**Instructor:** Glenn Kuhnel, p. 33

**NEW!**

**Getting Through Grief – Myths, Realities and a Practical Guide Toward Healing: Part II**

May 1 – 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Enhance your healing journey in a safe, confidential and supportive environment. Take a deeper dive into and through your grief experiences. Share your losses to the degree you feel comfortable. Garner support from and provide support to classmates. Acquire additional strategies to support your healing. Class format includes written exercises and compassionate discussion as well as guided imagery designed to help you manage difficult feelings such as anger, guilt, regret, unfinished business and yearning among others. Your instructor provides time for you to get your questions answered. The class is an opportunity for personal growth and resource sharing. It is not group therapy.

**Prerequisite:** Getting Through Grief: Myths, Realities and a Practical Guide Toward Healing offered in Fall 2018 or Winter 2019

**Instructor:** Rachel A. Weinstein, p. 37



**UPDATED!****American Art and a St. Augustine Connection**

May 1 – 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Explore Native American art traditions. Reflect on the history of the people. Consider how their art documents their lives and legacies. Learn about ledger art, a genre invented by prisoners of war at St. Augustine's Castillo de San Marcos (formerly Fort Marion). Enhance your appreciation of contemporary art as well as its connections to the histories and traditions of its Native American creators. Your interest in art and history is all that's required for this lecture and discussion class. Your instructor provides links to helpful resources that extend your learning.

**Instructor:** Richard Birdsall, p. 29

**NEW!****Understanding Substance Abuse: What Do You Think and What Do You Know?**

May 1 – 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Abuse of alcohol, drugs and other substances is at crisis-level in America. Delve beneath a superficial understanding of the problem by listening to facts provided by experts. Examine ideas and beliefs about abuse and addiction, current and historical theories of causation, and the effects of abuse on the body and brain. Learn about screening, prevention and treatment options. Explore the difficulties of implementing programs and policies in this stigmatized field. Analyze the complex and dynamic interaction between disadvantaged populations and their environments with an emphasis on obstacles to healthy development and functioning. Discuss what an American future might look like with marijuana's legalization. Consider

whether a truly drug-free America is possible or desirable. Class format combines lecture, facilitated small group discussion and recommended readings.

**Instructor:** Ellarwee Gadsden, p. 31

**NEW!****Intermediate Mah Jongg**

May 8 – 29, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$50

Accelerate your game play. Acquire strategies to win. Topics include pick of the hand, observant play and discard planning. Emphasis on the development of a personalized play strategy. Begin with a guide at your side before you start playing independently.

**Required:** Advance purchase 2019 large print National Mah Jongg League card, intermediate level skills, play on a regular basis, comfort with game rules and play of the hand

**Instructor:** Diane Solms, p. 36

**NEW!****Live Consciously by Exploring Death: A Death Doula's Guide**

May 8 – 15, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

You know that the death rate is 100 percent. But have you envisioned your own death? Explore the possibility of living your life more consciously with joy and peace of mind. Gather to explore what constitutes a good death. Prepare for the impact of the so-called silver tsunami. Learn how an end of life doula can assist in the death and dying processes. With your permission, your confidential submission of a concern or fear is anonymously woven into class discussion.

**Instructor:** Nada Frazier, p. 31

**NEW!****Everything You Want to Know about Knitting But Are Afraid to Ask**

May 8 – 29, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Learn advanced knitting techniques including short rows, edges, reading patterns and charts, and correcting errors. You're ready for this class if you're comfortable with basic techniques of casting on and binding off as well knit and purl stitching.

**Required:** Student-supplied yarn, knitting needles, stitch markers, yarn gauge and scissors

**Instructor:** Karen Backilman, p. 29

**NEW!****Celebrate Chinese Culture: An Interactive Workshop**

June 12 – 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Explore important traditions, activities and ideas that define Chinese identity. Learn to play mah jong. Enhance your good health by practicing Kung Fu exercises. Hear folkloric tales, ghost stories and history as you enjoy traditional snacks. Your instructor shares his father's story of life under warlords, Japanese occupation, civil war and communist rule prior to coming to America.

**Instructor:** Raymond Wong, p. 37

**NEW!****Nutrition and Heart Disease: Eat for Heart Health**

June 12, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Filling your fork with tasty, nutrient-rich foods doesn't have to be complicated. Learn to make small yet meaningful dietary changes. Class format encompasses lecture and discussion.

**Instructor:** Jonathan Constantin, p. 30

**UPDATED!**

**Prevent Heart Disease**

July 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Cardiovascular disease is the number one cause of death in the U.S. for both men and women. Some factors including age and family history cannot be controlled. Learn about modest lifestyle changes with the potential to have a significant positive impact on your heart health. Decrease your risk for heart disease by learning more in this lecture and discussion class.

**Instructor:** Ibrahim Fahdi, p. 31

**THURSDAYS**

**NEW!**

**Senior Living: It's Not Just for Old People**

May 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
1 session, \$20

Maximize your understanding of the latest options and how communities are evolving to meet changing needs. Learn some industry jargon and criteria for discerning which communities might be right for you or a loved one. Explore new services emerging to support older adults. Understand what Medicare will and will not pay for as well as other sources of financial assistance. If you're looking for insights and helpful tips

for selecting a future community this session is for you.

**Instructor:** Rebecca Harkness, p. 32

**NEW!**

**Behind the Scenes: Tour UNF Library's Special Collections and University Archives**

May 2, 10 to 11:15 a.m.  
1 session, \$25

(Includes UNF parking pass)

**Location:** UNF Thomas G. Carpenter Library

Learn the function and contents of special collections. Your guide presents interesting objects and shares the importance of developing and preserving special collections as well as the university's archives. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own.

**Instructor:** Susan Swiatosz, p. 36

**UPDATED!**

**Painting with Acrylics: Workshops for Beginning and Intermediate Students**

May 2 – 16, 1 to 4 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$50

Explore why acrylics are the easiest, most forgiving paints and compare favorably to watercolors and oils. Learn optimal skills and techniques including brushwork, composition and simplified color theory in this learn-by-doing class. Focus on painting, one-on-one coaching, lecture and demonstration

in class. Continue painting at home. All levels of experience are welcome. Drawing skills are not required.

**Required:** Basic supplies from instructor's list, suitable attire

**Instructor:** Anthony Whiting, p. 37

**UPDATED!**

**Travel: Monasteries of Bhutan, Nepal's Glorious Mountains and the Magic of India**

May 2 – 23, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
4 sessions, \$40

Sit back and relax as an expert takes you on a virtual journey to South Asia. Lavishly illustrated remarks provide insights about the people, histories, cultures and geography. Expect to gain insights about places to visit and related visa formalities. Bring your curiosity or travel experiences to this gathering of voyagers.

**Instructor:** Roshan Massey, p. 33

**NEW!**

**Hope of Freedom: Southern Blacks and the American Revolution**

May 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Enrich your understanding of this important period in our nation's history. Gain insights into overlooked aspects of African-American history. Your instructor presents original research he collected through more than five years working at the Library of Congress and Britain's National Archives. If you love history or enjoy a good mental scavenger hunt, you'll enjoy this illustrated talk and classroom discussion. Skip the notetaking. An optional supplemental text provides the information you heard in class.

**Recommended:** Instructor's \$5 supplemental text

**Instructor:** Roger Smith, p. 36



## NEW: ED-VENTURE

### Ride Sharing: Get Up, Get Dressed, Show Up and Never Give Up!

May 9, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

(Time includes class, Dutch-treat snack and round-trip travel)

1 session, FREE (Excludes ride service)

Mobility connects you to the world. Empower yourself by learning to schedule and pay for ride services. Start in the classroom by learning how Uber and Lyft work. Then install the Lyft app on your device. An experienced consumer who is also a fellow OLLI member provides tips. At class conclusion, you pair up to share a ride to St. Johns Town Center for a Dutch-treat lunch or snack. Each in a pair pays for one leg of the trip. Cost is approximately \$8 to \$10.

**Required:** Cell phone or device to install the app and order a ride, pay for one leg of trip

**Coordinators:** Laurel Conderman, p. 30 and Christine Lewitzke, p. 33

## NEW!

### Women of the American Revolution: Lost Voices of America's First Generation

May 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

1 session, \$20

Accelerate your understanding of some chapters missing from history books. Your instructor presents original research he collected through more than five years working at the Library of Congress and Britain's National Archives. If you love history or enjoy a good mental scavenger hunt, you'll enjoy this talk and the classroom discussion. Skip the notetaking. An optional supplemental text provides the information you heard in class plus additional material excluded due to time constraints.

**Recommended:** Instructor's \$10 supplemental text

**Instructor:** Roger Smith, p. 36



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## NEW!

### Brilliant Lights in Northern Gloom: The Renaissance in Northern Europe

May 16 and 23, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

2 sessions, \$30

Delight in some iconic yet often overlooked art of that seminal era. Begin with early Netherlandish painters Jan van Eyck and Rogier van der Weyden as well as Hans Memling, a German. Appreciate the importance of Bruges, the Flemish capital in Belgium. Examine the otherworldly works of Hieronymus Bosch and Albrecht Durer's influential paintings and woodcuts. Conclude by returning to Flanders to consider works by Pieter Bruegel the Elder, a chronicler of daily life and the times. Course format includes lecture and discussion as well as analysis of the art itself.

**Instructor:** Richard Eason, p. 30

## UPDATED!

### Genealogical Research in Your Bedroom Slippers

May 16 – 30, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

3 sessions, \$35

Calling all mid-level and experienced genealogists. Advance your success

by learning about useful free and subscription online resources. Course format includes lecture, discussion and presentation of websites. Beginners should wait for a future class.

**Required:** Computer skills, mid-level or greater experience in genealogical research

**Recommended:** Bring your laptop or tablet to class

**Instructor:** Barbara Kiersh, p. 32

## NEW!

### Quantum Mechanics and the Periodic Properties of the Elements

May 16 – June 13, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
5 sessions, \$45

Consider how quantum mechanics can help you understand the properties of elements in the periodic table. Learn about wave-particle duality, electron orbitals and valence electrons. Examine their relevance to some chemical and physical properties of the elements. If you've taken Alan Gleit's quantum mechanics class, this will be refresher with half new class content focused on linking that branch of physics to chemistry.

**Instructor:** Alan Gleit, p. 32

**NEW: ED-VENTURE**

**After the Great Fire of 1901: Edward Waters College and Cowford Chophouse**

May 16, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
(Includes lunch) 1 session, \$45  
(Includes round-trip bus transportation, excludes lunch)

**Location:** UNF's Adam W. Herbert University Center, 12000 Alumni Dr., Jacksonville

Learn about Florida's oldest independent educational institution. It was established by African-Americans to benefit newly emancipated slaves. Founded in 1866 as Brown Theological Institute, the school was located on 10 acres in Live Oak, Florida, and served elementary, high school, college and seminary students. By the 1890s, the curriculum had expanded, the facility was relocated to Jacksonville and renamed in honor of the third bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The Great Fire of 1901 destroyed the first local campus. The oldest building on the rebuilt campus is Centennial Hall of 1916. Designed by Richard Lewis Brown, the city's first known African-American architect, the

building houses the library and the Obi-Scott-Umunna collection of African art. Continue over a Dutch-treat lunch (approximately \$20) from a limited menu at the former First National Bank of Florida. Built in 1902, it is now as it was then, an emblem of the urban core's vitality. The edifice hosted a number of businesses through the years including the offices of Henry J. Klutho, the former student of famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright, who introduced the modernist Prairie Style of architecture to Jacksonville. Now home to the Cowford Chophouse, the structure features many restored architectural details including 300-year-old heart pine lumber, intricate brick work and arched windows. Ride the elevator to the top floor and walk down the staircase to view historic photographs of the building. Cameras are welcome. Venues are fully accessible. Round trip bus transportation from UNF is included in your fee.

**Required:** Dress for the weather including comfortable shoes, mobility to stand and walk for an hour, ability to embark and disembark bus

**Coordinators:** Laurel Conderman, p. 30 and Hope McCharen, p. 34

**NEW!**

**3D Printing: Make Stuff That Matters**

June 6, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
1 session, \$20

Join the digital revolution. Maximize your knowledge of the technological manufacturing advances that allow you to preserve your heirlooms or build a house. Learn to access digital resources for your projects. Gain insights about the process from design to production. A demonstration illustrates what can be done as well as generates questions and discussion.

**Instructor:** Bryce Pfanenstiel, p. 24

**UPDATED!**

**Cheap Art**

June 13 – 27, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Relax, have fun and create art with inexpensive materials! Explore subject matter, design ideas and a bit of art history. Enjoy some studio time with helpful instruction. Create art using resources from around the house and a few inexpensive items from the local craft store. Content is new each term.

**Required:** Instructor emails an economical supply list (e.g. pencil, paper, scissors and glue) prior to first class

**Instructor:** Chris B. Fulmer, p. 31



**Edward Waters College**

UPDATED  
*Explore More*  
Rolling on the St. Johns River

June 27 – July 25, 10 a.m. to noon  
(Excludes lunch, no class July 4)  
4 sessions, \$80 (Includes UNF parking pass)

**Locations vary**

Intensify your knowledge of the river, its history and current state. Local experts and advocates share the river's beauty and fragility, as well as its importance to our area's quality of life and economy. Your classes are hosted at UNF's archaeology lab, Jacksonville University's LEED Gold-certified Marine Science Research Institute (MSRI) and the St. Johns Riverkeeper on the R/V Larkin, JU's research pontoon boat. Class sessions are fully accessible. You must be able to step down onto the boat and onto the dock to participate in the boat trip. Transportation is on your own. Cameras welcome.

**Recommended:** Bring a sack lunch and beverage from home to enjoy on MSRI's covered deck overlooking the river after JU session

**June 27**

**Location:** UNF Archaeology Lab, Social Sciences Building (Building 51)

Enrich your understanding of the area's early inhabitants and the river's role in their lives. Dr. Keith Ashley, assistant professor of anthropology and coordinator of archaeological research at UNF, provides insights about the latest discoveries and what the archaeological record reveals.

**Required:** OLLI-supplied UNF parking pass



**July 11**

**Location:** Jacksonville University's Marine Science Research Institute, 2800 University Blvd., Jacksonville

Dr. Quinton White, executive director of JU's Marine Science Research Institute, welcomes you to the MSRI, provides an overview of its work and introduces you to the river's ecology. Nadia Gordon, marine mammal research biologist with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission's Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, shares timely insights about manatees and other wildlife that inhabit the river.

**July 18**

**Location:** Jacksonville University's Marine Science Research Institute, 2800 University Blvd., Jacksonville

Jane Durocher, middle basin advocacy director in the St. Johns Riverkeeper's Deland office, and Ray Whaley, a Riverkeeper volunteer, share their experiences as kayakers who paddled the entire river.

**July 25**

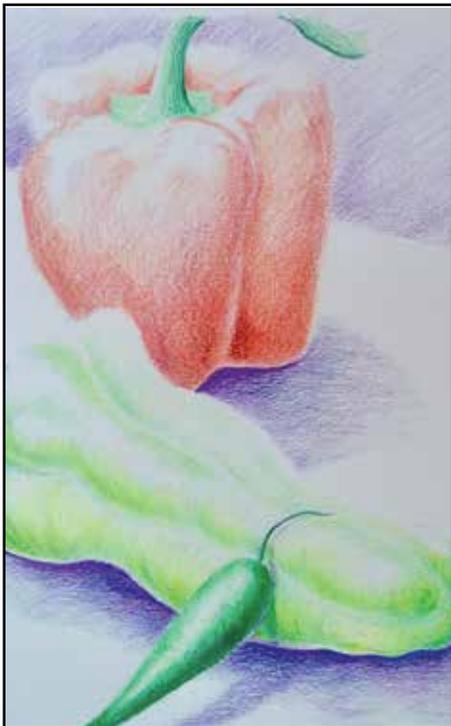
**Location:** Jacksonville University's Marine Science Research Institute, 2800 University Blvd., Jacksonville

St. Johns Riverkeeper, Lisa Rinaman, reports on the state and future of the river onboard the R/V Larkin, JU's research pontoon boat. Cameras welcome.

**Required:** Mobility to step down onto boat and dock, dress for the weather, closed-toe shoes with skid-proof soles

**Coordinators:** Arlene Dawson, p. 30 and Marcia Mederos, p. 34





Original art by William McMahan, OLLI instructor

**NEW!**

**Make Still Life Drawings in Colored Pencil**

July 25 – Aug. 1, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
2 sessions, \$30

Produce colorful drawings of fruits and vegetables. Explore color theory. Begin with a foundation of light yellow colors and gradually introduce richer, more vibrant colors. Learn and practice measuring techniques that ensure accurate relative proportions. No prior experience is required. Bring your interest to this learn-by-doing class that includes discussion and instructor’s helpful feedback.

**Required:** Paper (any size, Bristol is preferred for the best experience), a set of 12 or more colored pencils (preferably wax-based Prismacolor Premier or oil-based Faber Castell Polychormos)

**Instructor:** William McMahan, p. 34

**NEW: ED-VENTURE**

**Explore the Beaches Museum and History Park**

July 25, 10 a.m. to noon  
1 session, \$30

Step back in time to learn about the First Coast’s diverse history and heritage. Hear about the events as well as stories of the hardy pioneers, early settlers, river pilots and fisherman that shaped our area. Your docent-led tour includes the iconic 1887 chapel, the Mayport Railway Depot, the train foreman’s house, a 1911 locomotive and the 1873 cracker-style Oesterreicher – McCormick cabin. Go behind the scenes for a peek into the archives and collections storage. Whether you’re a native or a transplant, you’ll learn something new.

**Coordinators:** Diane Dyal, p. 30 and Bob Kastner, p. 32

**A Broad Brush with Salvador Dali and Frida Kahlo**

Aug. 8 – 22, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$35

Calling all art lovers for an interactive investigation of those two iconic 20<sup>th</sup>-century painters celebrated for their creative energies and surrealistic styles. Both artists sought to unlock the power of imagination through their unconscious mind and dream interpretation. Paintings were outlandish, perplexing, sexual and sometimes violent in subject. Works were intended to jolt the viewer out of their comforting assumptions. Explore these two notorious artists and their

eccentric works. Learn about each artist’s unusual history, their creative sources and their symbolic imagery.

**Instructor:** Julie Giuliani, p. 31

**FRIDAYS**

**OLLI Book Club**

April 12, May 10 and June 14  
1 to 3 p.m.  
3 sessions, \$45

Revel in the joys of a good book with an OLLI tribe of spirited, intelligent readers. Discover wonderful authors and works that aren’t on your radar and those you might never have read on your own. Share your appreciation of beautiful writing as well as your insights and life experiences as they relate to the material. You’ll enjoy new and old books as well as those written by a variety of authors ranging from first-time to established and award winning. Genres range from fiction, nonfiction, historical fiction to memoir, biography and classics with some science fiction in the mix from time to time. Topics typically range from culture and the human condition to history; however, you’re welcome to propose any subject that interests you. All in the group are invited to vote on the selections, usually twice a year. Take turns facilitating monthly meetings to ensure conversation flows. Please note that newly published works available only in hardback are eliminated from consideration.

**Required:** Acquire the books in any format from any source, take a turn supplying light refreshments

**Lead facilitator:** Joyce Lasch, p. 33



**OLLI annual membership is still only \$50. See page 39 to join!**

**NEW!**

### **Ignite the Spark! Share Your Passion with Your Fellow OLLI Members**

May 3 – 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
2 session FREE

Do you have knowledge, experiences, talents or skills you'd like to share with others but don't know how to start? Whatever your passion may be, you can be sure that there are OLLI members who share your interest and would be excited to learn more. OLLI is built on a foundation of volunteerism and many of our instructors have never taught before. It's so easy and fulfilling to be a contributor to OLLI at UNF's dynamic, diverse programming. You'll begin by brainstorming how your hobby or passion can easily become an OLLI program. Experienced OLLI instructors and volunteers demonstrate how to convert your idea to a plan as well as provide support and resources. They'll also model the joys and challenges of an engaging class. Course format is small group work after a brief presentation about class structure options. Just bring your passion and desire to share it.

**Facilitators:** OLLI at UNF Instructor Support Team, p. 30

## We're OLLIs.

We all have unique life experiences. We have passions and there are few things more rewarding than sharing those passions. Have you always loved Walt Whitman's poetry? Are you a gardening aficionado? Have you always been fascinated by ancient Rome? OLLI lets you share those interests with others who share your curiosity, your appreciation for learning and the jolt you feel when you learn something new and exciting.

Passion, not expertise, is all you need. After enrolling in more than 20 OLLI programs, I decided it was time to step up and teach, too. I am having a blast! I have taught Shakespeare and the Middle East as well as a humor salon. I have a long list of other topics in my back pocket, from art to history to biography. I relish the exchanges and debates in class, to say nothing of what I learn from those in my classes. Teaching at OLLI gets you thinking and interacting with other smart, experienced people. You really should take the plunge! You'll have fun.

— Richard Eason



Portrait by Gary Whiting

**NEW!**

**Art in the Library: Your VIP Tour**

May 3, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

1 session, \$20

(Includes UNF parking pass)

**Location:** UNF Thomas G. Carpenter Library

Discover more than 100 of Jacksonville's most prolific artists and photographers. Learn about unusual art media utilized in their projects. Your instructor shares stories behind the creation of their works. All art lovers and Jacksonville fans are invited to this tour and discussion. You'll receive a gift of the official Art in the Library full-color catalog as a memento. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own.

**Required:** Mobility and stamina to tour the venue

**Instructor:** Jen Jones Murray, p. 34

**NEW!**

**Create a Shutterfly Photo Memory Book**

June 7 – 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

3 sessions, \$35

Discover creative ways to share your photographs using an online platform. Begin with a brief illustrated overview of options, styles and levels of support. Then spend most of your time beginning and possibly completing your first book. Create a path from your photo storage area to the application. Tell your story by selecting at least 25 pictures to upload, embellish and showcase. Examine advanced editing techniques to further customize or enhance image presentation. Print a PDF of your book as a trial.

**Required:** Laptop computer (no tablets), ability to set WiFi to UNF's network as a guest, access to 25 or more of your photographs and free Shutterfly (shutterfly.com) account

**Recommended:** Google Chrome web browser

**Instructor:** Sondie Frus, p. 31

**NEW!**

**Mindfulness Workshop: Start or Enhance Your Practice**

June 14, 9:30 a.m. to noon

1 session, \$30

Learn to mitigate stress by slowing down and being in the moment despite the hectic pace of modern life. Understand what mindfulness is and how you can benefit from it in any facet of your life. Curriculum is based on the Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) developed by Jon Kabat Zinn and the University of Massachusetts Medical School's Center for Mindfulness. Your instructor leads you through several guided meditations, invites you to reflect on your experience and facilitates class discussion.

**Recommended:** Wear comfortable clothing, bring a yoga mat or towel

**Instructor:** David Sacks, p. 35

**NEW!**

**Aging Doesn't Have to Equal Pain**

June 21 and 28, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2 sessions, \$30

Do you experience pain that limits your activity? Are you tired of being told you must accept your pain or take pain pills? Learn to overcome obstacles created by pain. Enhance your understanding of your body's functions and optimizing them. Improve your balance and posture. Class format encompasses presentation, discussion, demonstration and limited practice. Exercises and movements may be difficult or even painful for people with certain pre-existing conditions. Consult with your doctor and do not enroll if you are uncertain of your ability to participate.

**Recommended:** Wear comfortable clothing

**Instructor:** Aaron P. Robles, p. 35

**NEW!**

**The Autonomous Revolution is Coming: Florida Leads the Pack in Driverless Deployment**

July 12, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

1 session, \$20

Driverless vehicles were once the stuff of science fiction. They are now legal and being deployed on streets throughout Florida. They also promise to reshape communities. Maximize your understanding of the opportunities and challenges posed by the next generation of mobility. Consider the regulatory structure and what's next for Florida's transportation system.

**Instructor:** Christopher Emmanuel, p. 30

**NEW!**

**Five Big Questions**

July 5 – Aug. 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

5 sessions, \$45

Why do we live, die, love, hate and believe? Learn from one another by sharing ideas in a supportive, judgment-free environment. This philosophical discussion group encompasses some readings and significant dialogue among participants.

**Instructor:** Kathy Triebwasser, p. 36

**NEW!**

**Structural Heart Disease: New Treatments and Technologies**

Aug. 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$20

Understand some advances that have supplanted major surgery, its associated potential risks, extensive hospital stays and lengthy recovery times. Learn about catheter-based options that require only small incisions.

**Instructor:** Vaqar Ali, p. 29

# SUMMER 2019 INSTRUCTORS

All OLLI instructors are volunteers.  
They take pride in sharing their knowledge  
with their fellow OLLI members.

Do you have a passion you would like to share? Email Jeanette Toohey, director, at [jeanette.toohey@unf.edu](mailto:jeanette.toohey@unf.edu) for more information.

**Carol Alexander** is an arts management executive, producer, storyteller and educator with a passion for history and culture. She founded two Florida museums and a theater and contributed to the renovation of the National Museum of Liberia. Alexander is president and chief creative officer of MaBu: A Cultural Resource. She assists individuals and organizations who seek to deepen their self-knowledge and that of the cultures that surround them. In 2017 Alexander was invited by Liberia's President Ellen John Sirleaf to curate and design three floors of art and history exhibits at the National Museum of Liberia in Monrovia as well as oversee its reopening after 20 years of closure and a devastating civil war.

**Stories of Liberia: A Personal Odyssey, p. 14**

**Vaqar Ali** joined First Coast Cardiovascular Institute after completing his training at the University of Kentucky's Gill Heart Institute. He gained extensive experience in coronary and peripheral endovascular interventions as Chief Cardiology Fellow there. Ali also completed a fellowship in heart failure and transplantation. He has a particular interest in TAVP, Watchman and Mitraclip procedures that prevent patients from undergoing open-heart surgery.

**Structural Heart Disease: New Treatments and Technologies, p. 28**

**Karen Backilman** completed her undergraduate work in psychology at Simmons College and has master's degrees from Harvard and UNF. She has taught regular and special education, and served as teacher, media specialist and principal with Duval County Public Schools. Backilman has taught OLLI classes in knitting, mystery books and home organization.

**Everything You Want to Know about Knitting But Are Afraid to Ask, p. 21**

**Paul Bell**, a New Englander and ardent Boston Red Sox fan, retired as CEO of a Jacksonville aftermarket automotive manufacturing firm. Throughout his 40-year corporate career, he sustained a lifelong study of meteorology. Bell was inspired by Dr. Jerome Spar, professor of meteorology and oceanography at New York University who was also a fellow at the American Meteorological Society. Bell created and presented a daily weather forecast for NYU's FM radio station. He enjoys sharing his fascination with the diversity and dynamics of our daily weather.

**Weather around You: An Introduction to the Basics, p. 14**

**Richard Birdsall** is a retired air traffic controller and computer systems manager. He has graduate degrees in public administration and philosophy. Birdsall taught public administration, political philosophy and sociology at UNF and humanities and philosophy at FSCJ. He is a student of philosophy and art history as well as local, state and national history.

**Native American Art and a St. Augustine Connection, p. 21**  
**Philosophy through Thought Experiments and Puzzles, p. 8**

**Robert Black** was a captain in the U.S. Air Force and an entrepreneur who founded three companies over the last 30 years. He holds 17 U.S. patents in diverse fields and managed more than 600 employees as a corporate executive. Black is a certified F.D.I.C. instructor for Real Sense financial education programs and has managed his investments for more than 50 years. He has a B.S. in chemistry and holds M.S., E.E., P.E. degrees and an MBA in finance. A world traveler, Black has visited 57 countries and spent time with local people in each. He backpacked through Laos, spent months in Hong Kong and spent more than a year in Thailand. Black has sailed both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, Lake Erie and the Gulf of Mexico. His most recent project is a book on happiness entitled "Happy in Intensive Care" available on Amazon and Barnes and Noble.

**Investing for Those Who Do Not Want to Think About It, p. 13**  
**Learn to be Happy!, p. 13**

**Nancy Blanton** is the author of award-winning novels based on 17<sup>th</sup> century Irish history. She's a member of the Florida Writers Association, Historical Novel Society and Florida Authors and Publishers Association. Blanton co-founded Amelia Indie Authors, a cooperative dedicated to supporting and empowering independent authors. She has worked as a journalist, magazine editor, corporate communications leader and brand manager.

**Charles I, Black Tom and the Divine Right of Kings, p. 10**

"The art of teaching is the art  
of assisting discovery."

– Mark Van Doren

## INSTRUCTORS

**Ken Bording** served as a military aviator for 34 years prior to retirement. He is credited with 7,500 hours total flight time and more than 2,500 combat flight hours. Bording served as an instructor pilot, instrument flight examiner, aviation safety officer and Federal Aviation Administration radar air traffic control instructor and evaluator. He is designated as subject matter expert for the U.S. Army's innovative Aviation Combined Arms Tactical Training (AVCATT) Simulation System that remains the service's advanced pre-combat training system for young aviators. Bording has a lifelong interest in aviation history and is a member of American Aviation Historical Society as well as the Florida Aviation Historical Society. He has a B.S. in aeronautical science, a minor in aviation history and an MBA in aviation.

**Straight Up! The History of Helicopters and Their Impact, p. 14**

**Richard Carlson** has been a trusted Jacksonville dental expert for more than 25 years. He prides himself as a gentle, caring patient-centered practitioner who remains up to date with research studies, materials and techniques. Carlson's practice emphasizes comfort and caring.

**Dental Implants and Dental Health, p. 12**

**Gracie Chandler**, a Gullah Geechee descendent, received the 2015 Florida Book Award silver medal for "Free To Be: A Novel." She began her teaching career as an elementary school teacher and later became a school library media specialist in Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Chandler is a graduate of Florida A&M University and received a master's degree from the University of Northern Colorado.

**Exploring Freedom through Fiction: "Free To Be, a Novel," p. 16**

**Laurel Conderman** worked for more than 15 years as office manager in the Department of Pediatrics, University of Florida before retiring in 2013. Her great enthusiasm for OLLI at UNF ED-ventures encouraged her to lead the team. Conderman also volunteers with the annual Congenital Heart Walk and her neighborhood civic association. She especially enjoys exploring our area's beautiful parks and natural places.

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**Jonathan Constantin** received his medical degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. After a residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital he was appointed a cardiology fellow at Drexel University. Constantin is board certified in cardiovascular diseases, nuclear cardiology, echocardiography and internal medicine. His personal philosophy is that he is a resource charged with educating patients about their choices.

**Nutrition and Heart Disease: Eat for Heart Health, p. 21**

**Arlene Dawson** enjoys volunteering and RV travel in retirement. She has an avid interest in U.S. presidents. Dawson also enjoys playing bridge and the many rewards of being a member of OLLI at UNF.

**Explore More: Rolling with the St. Johns River, p. 25**

**Diane Dyal** is a Jacksonville native who enjoys the outdoors. In 2001, she was fortunate to be involved in the formation of Untamed Adventures, an outdoor adventure group for women. Prior to retiring, Dyal worked in management with Frank Griffin Motors for more than 30 years.

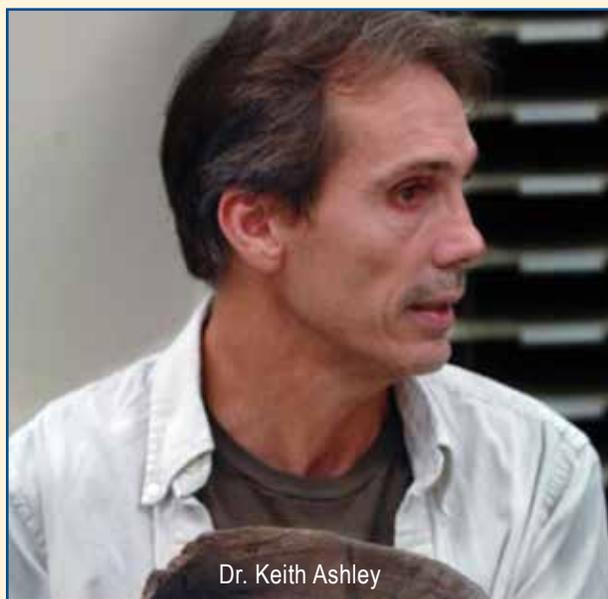
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**On the Move: Get to Know the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization, p. 17**

**Richard Eason** served 32 years with the U.S. State Department, most of them overseas, including 12 years in the Middle East. He has had a lifelong love of literature and history and has taken many college courses in those fields.

**Brilliant Lights in Northern Gloom: The Renaissance in Northern Europe, p. 23**

**Christopher Emmanuel** is director of infrastructure and governance policy for the Florida Chamber of Commerce and leads Autonomous Florida. He advocates for transportation, utilities, energy and technology policy at the local, state and federal levels. Emmanuel sits on the Florida transportation plan and strategic intermodal system committee and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's autonomous vehicle working group. A graduate of the University of Florida and Florida State College of Law, he is a member of James Madison Institute's board of advisors.

**The Autonomous Revolution is Coming: Florida Leads the Pack in Driverless Deployment, p. 28**



Dr. Keith Ashley

Photo courtesy of Spinnaker Media

**Cari Eyre** completed undergraduate work at California State Polytechnic University before earning an M.Ed. in educational leadership at UNF. Her focus was Alzheimer's outreach and community education. Eyre also completed a post-graduate professional program in geriatric care management at the University of Florida. Her experience includes hands-on care and service as director of a local assisted living memory care neighborhood. Eyre is associate director of programs for the Alzheimer's Association in the North Florida region.

**Understand Alzheimer's and Dementia, p. 16**

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**Prevent Heart Disease, p. 22**

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**Live Consciously by Exploring Death: A Death Doula's Guide, p. 21**

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**Create a Shutterfly Photo Memory Book, p. 28**

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**Cheap Art, p. 24**

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**Understanding Substance Abuse: What Do You Think and What Do You Know?, p. 21**

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**A Broad Brush with Salvador Dali and Frida Kahlo, p. 26**

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**Quantum Mechanics and the Periodic Properties of the Elements, p. 23**

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**Apple Users Group, p. 20**

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**A Brief History of Chocolate, p. 7**

**Spanish Florida: A Historical Overview, p. 7**

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**From Molly Hatchet to Burning Bras, p. 13**

**Invest in Your Grandchildren's Future: Own Great American Companies, p. 13**

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**Medicare 101, p. 12**

**Protect Yourself from Scams, p. 13**

**Social Security Checklist, p. 10**

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**Diplomacy and the Making of U.S. Foreign Policy, p. 10**

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**Beaches Legends, Liars and Lagers: A Walking Tour, p. 11**

**Discover Sally Corporation, p. 15**

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**Gullah-Geechee: Florida's Southern Route to Freedom, p. 7**

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**Senior Living: It's Not Just for Old People, p. 22**

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**Independently Healthy: Leverage Online Information to Improve Healthcare Knowledge and Communication, p. 16**

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**Wine and Dine in France at Publix Aprons Cooking School, p. 17**

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**Explore the Beaches Museum and History Park, p. 26**

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**Genealogical Research in Your Bedroom Slippers, p. 23**



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**Studio Painting: Oils and Acrylics, p. 11**

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**I Want to Write But How Do I Start?, p. 8**

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**The Gospel of Thomas: Alternative or Suppressed Text?, p. 20**

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**Mastering Retirement: The Keys to Success after Your Retirement Date, p. 18**

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**OLLI Book Club, p. 26**

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**Home Design Concepts for Successful Aging in Place, p. 12**

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**Beaches Legends, Liars and Lagers: A Walking Tour, p. 11**

**Ride Sharing: Get Up, Get Dressed, Show Up and Never Give Up!, p. 23**

**Roshan Massey** was born and educated in India. After completing his MBA in England, he spent most of his working life in Australia. Massey is a travel enthusiast who has taken groups on tours of India, Kashmir, Nepal and now, Myanmar. When he was much younger, he took groups by road from England to India and from England to North Africa.

**Travel: Monasteries of Bhutan, Nepal's Glorious Mountains and the Magic of India, p. 22**

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**After the Great Fire of 1901: Edward Waters College and Cowford Chophouse, p. 24**

**Patrick McCormack** received his B.A. from the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth with a dual major in psychology and sociology emphasizing research and analysis. In retirement, he pursues a second career as a history lecturer on cruise ships and through the Jacksonville Public Library system. McCormack's topics include pirates, the Maya, Caribbean history, Atlantis and the Bermuda Triangle. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Archaeological Institute of America, the Florida Anthropological Society, Institute of Maya Studies and the St. Augustine Archaeological Association. McCormack's motto is "always question history even when it is written in stone."

**The Golden Age of Piracy, p. 17**

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**CRISPR and the Gene Editing Controversy, p. 11**

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**Make Still Life Drawings in Colored Pencil, p. 26**

**Marcia Mederos** grew up around North Texas lakes where she enjoyed boating and fishing. Her move to Jacksonville 20 years ago has enabled her to boat up and down the mighty St. Johns River, an entirely different experience. Both the river and OLLI at UNF are treasures that Mederos feels fortunate to support.

**Explore More: Rolling with the St. Johns River, p. 25**

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**Current Events, p. 23**

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**Meet Your OLLI's Authors, p. 12**

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**Art in the Library: Your VIP Tour, p. 28**

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**Tai Chi for Health and Vitality, p. 10**

**Tai Chi for Your Aching Back, p. 10**

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**The Nazi Hunters, p. 8**

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**Disease, Disasters and Catastrophes: Their Effects on History, p. 10**

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**Ignite the Spark! Share Your Passion with Your Fellow OLLI Members, p. 27**

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**The Chemistry of Cooking, p. 20**

**The Material World: From Cavemen to Alchemy to the Atomic Age, p. 16**

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**3D Printing: Make Stuff That Matters, p. 24**

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**Master the Masters: Adventures of a Symphonic Detective, p. 11**

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**50 Years of Jacksonville History: Journalism, Media and Politics, p. 13**

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**Aging Doesn't Have to Equal Pain, p. 28**

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**Understand the Construction of Racial Inequity in the U.S., p. 14**

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**Mindfulness Workshop: Start or Enhance Your Practice, p. 28**

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**All about Coffee, p. 13**

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**Travel Tale: An Elegant Safari in South Africa, p.16**

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**Explore More: Your Parks and Other Timeless Treasures, p. 19**

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**The Jewish War, p. 18**

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**The 14<sup>th</sup> Colony: The American Revolution's Best Kept Secret, p. 7**  
**Hope of Freedom: Southern Blacks and the American Revolution, p. 22**

**Women of the American Revolution: Lost Voices of America's First Generation, p. 23**

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**Intermediate Mah Jongg, p. 21**

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**One Artist's Mission: Capture the Wilderness Beauty of North Florida's Parks, p. 8**

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**Behind the Scenes: Tour UNF Library's Special Collections and University Archives, p. 22**

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**Human and Molecular Genetics: A Course for the Layperson, p. 7**

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**Wellness and Stress Management, p. 15**

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**Five Big Questions, p. 28**

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**Share Your Vacations with PowerPoint Presentations, p. 16**

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**Don't Be a Sucker! Advice from the FBI, p. 12**

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**Texas Hold'em Poker for Beginners, p. 12**

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**21st Century Geography, p. 8**

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**Getting Through Grief – Myths, Realities and a Practical Guide Toward Healing: Part II, p. 20**

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**Painting with Acrylics: Workshops for Beginning and Intermediate Students, p. 22**

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**Editing with Photos for Mac: An Introduction, p. 18**

**Get More from Your Camera: A Travel Photography Workshop, p. 16**

**Learn to Blog with WordPress, p. 12**

**Photographer's Walkabout in a Butterfly Rainforest, p. 15**

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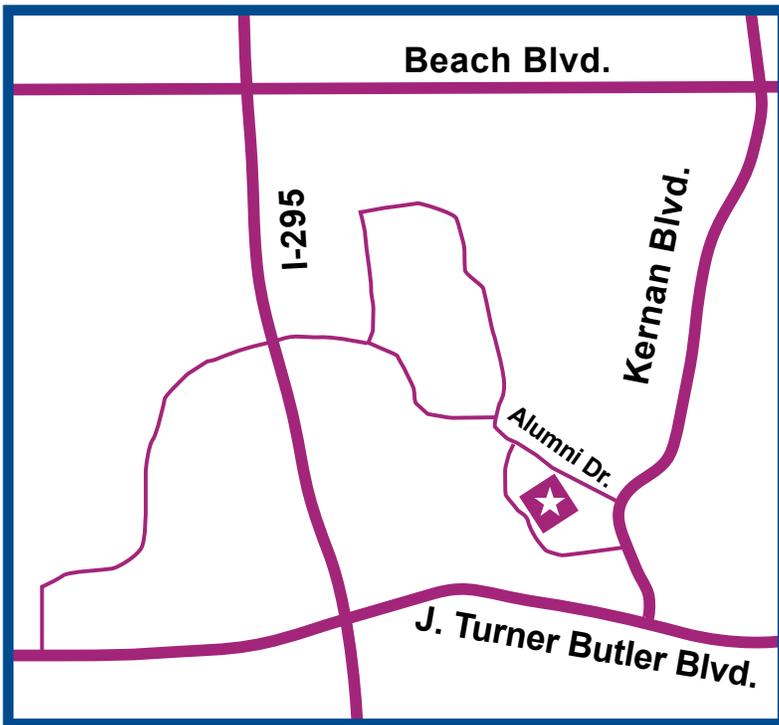
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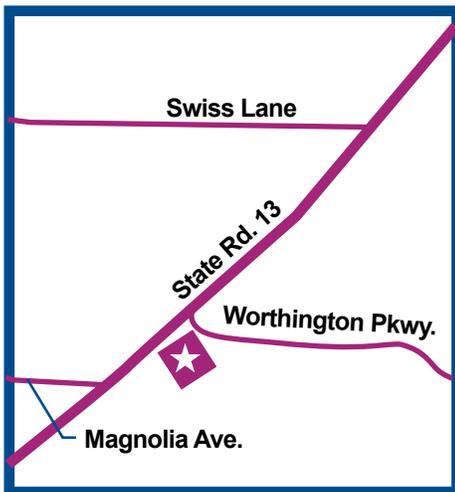


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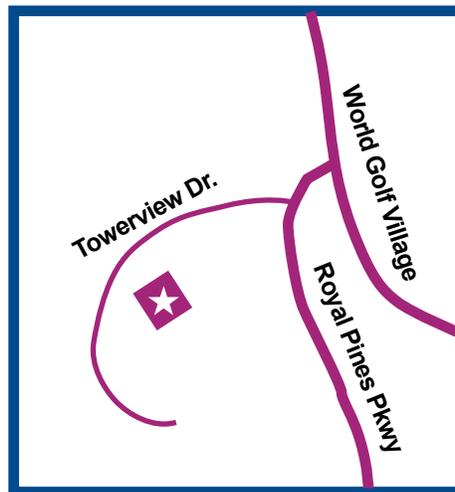
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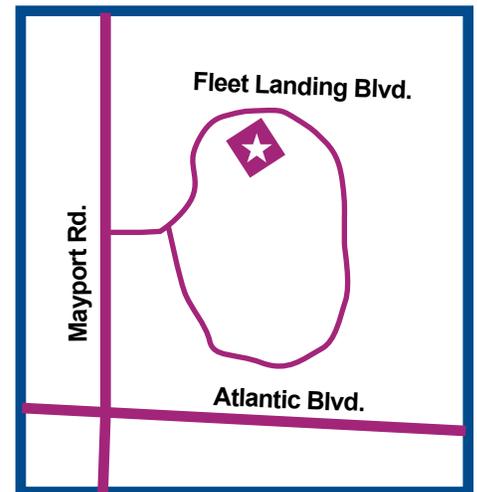
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