

All About OLLI

Who We Are

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at George Mason University (OLLI Mason) offers daytime courses, lectures, special events, and other activities during eight-week terms in the spring and fall, a four-week winter term, and a six-week summer term. There are no exams, no credits, no college degree required or offered, and no age threshold.

Course leaders are qualified members of OLLI, Mason faculty, or others who enjoy sharing their knowledge. OLLI is particularly proud of all of its volunteer teachers and speakers, many of whom are well-known experts in their fields. The views expressed are those of the instructors and do not reflect the official policy or position of OLLI or George Mason University.

Members pay annual dues and may attend as many activities as they wish, subject to space availability. There may be charges for materials and for some special events.

OLLI Mason publishes an email newsletter (*OLLI E-News*), a catalog each term, an online membership directory, and the *Member Handbook*. An annual literary journal, *OLLI Ink*, and, from time to time, the *Poets of OLLI* collection are also published.

OLLI Mason is one of many Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes affiliated with The Bernard Osher Foundation and is also a member of the Road Scholar Institute Network. OLLI is a nonprofit, equal-opportunity 501(c)(3) organization and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national/ethnic origin.

Where We Are

A map and addresses for all locations are printed on the inside back cover. Most activities are held at Tallwood in Fairfax, at the United Christian Parish near Lake Anne in Reston, or at the Mason site in Loudoun. OLLI's main office is at Tallwood, with satellite offices (open only during class hours) in Reston and Loudoun. All sites are accessible to persons with disabilities and have free parking available. To park at the Mason site in Loudoun you must obtain a free parking permit from Mason in Loudoun, Suite 130.

How to Join

Any person may obtain an annual membership by registering online (olli.gmu.edu) or by completing the registration form on page 53 and submitting it to OLLI with the required check(s) or credit card information.

Give the Gift of OLLI

What better way to show appreciation for your spouse, sibling, or good friend than by giving an OLLI eGift card? The card can be purchased in **any amount** to apply toward an OLLI membership or event/materials fees. It makes the perfect retirement, birthday, or holiday gift. The gift of OLLI is great: captivating classes, fabulous field trips, and sensational socials to indulge both mind and soul! Purchase the eGift card on the OLLI member portal (olli.gmu.edu) or by calling the OLLI office: (703) 503-3384.

George Mason University Privileges

OLLI members with an annual membership are entitled to a George Mason University ID card, which provides library privileges, discounted Mason gym membership, and other benefits. A free Mason email account with access to the Mason intranet is also available. To apply for an ID card, fill out an application, available at any OLLI site or on the OLLI website (under MainMenu/DocStore—scroll down to the document section), and return it to the main office at Tallwood or to the site assistant at Reston or Loudoun.

OLLI Closing Policy

OLLI is closed when county schools are closed due to inclement weather. OLLI follows the Fairfax County Public Schools for Fairfax and Reston sites and the Loudoun County Public Schools for Loudoun sites.

When schools announce a delayed opening, OLLI generally opens on time. Exception: at George Mason facilities, we adhere to Mason closing decisions. If Mason announces a delay, OLLI may need to cancel the first class of the day. Poor conditions at OLLI sites may also necessitate class or event cancellations.

The most up-to-date information on OLLI delays and closings can be found on the OLLI website: olli.gmu.edu.

**** IMPORTANT REGISTRATION DATES ****

**Spring priority registration begins
Tuesday, February 25 at 9:00 am
and ends Wednesday, March 4 at noon.**

Register online at olli.gmu.edu

Registrations also may be mailed or delivered to:
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
4210 Roberts Road
Fairfax, VA 22032

**Register for trips/performances as early as possible.
They can fill up as early as the first day of registration.**