Winona State University Retiree Center

Fall 2014

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Senior University WSU is a program of the Winona State University Retiree Center. Senior University is a peer led set of short courses taught by professor emeriti, WSU faculty, and topic experts to provide intellectual and cultural stimulation and growth, thus providing opportunities for lifelong learning and leadership, combined with the fellowship of peers sharing a common quest for continued growth.

Non-credit classes, one day a week during a 4-6 week term, no tests, no grades.

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The Winona State University Retiree Center exists to support the mission of Winona State University and enrich the campus community as well as the lives of retired staff, faculty and administration by providing institutional connections between the university and retirees who may wish to continue their intellectual and social participation in collegial life and service to the university.

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We encourage you to register online at:
http://winona.augusoft.net
Four Actors of French Cinema

Instructor: Jeanine Black  
Date: Monday  
Time: 2:30-4:45pm  
Sessions: October 20, 27, November 3, 10  
Film Sessions: Sunday - October 26, November 2 & 9  
Film Sessions Time: 2:00-4:00pm  
Location:  
Member Fee: $40.00

Last year we offered a class on French Actresses – now it’s time for French Actors! If you love foreign films, particularly French films, this class is for you! You will learn about the lives and films of four French actors: Jean Gabin, Jean-Paul Belmondo, Gérard Depardieu, and Daniel Auteuil. In class there will be an opportunity to view and discuss four films, plus three additional films will be shown on Sunday afternoons (optional viewings).

Jeanine Black holds master’s degrees in French and English from the University of Kansas and Georgetown University and also studied at the Université de Dijon and Université de Genéve. She has taught French as an adjunct faculty member of the WSU Global Studies and World Languages department. In addition to teaching French and English at the university level in the U.S., she has taught English at several language schools in France.

Jean Gabin  
Gerard Depardieu  
Jean-Paul Belomondo  
Daniel Auteuil
Arab Spring: Fact or Fiction

Instructor: Ahmed El-Afandi
Date: Thursday
Time: 2:30-4:30pm
Sessions:
Location:
Member Fee: $40.00

This course examines the Arab Spring in historical, cultural and religious perspectives. We will look at the challenges and opportunities of democratic development, popular participation and traditional values. Can democracy and religion exist in the presence of military authoritarianism? What internal and external factors led to the Arab uprising?

Ahmed El-Afandi, Professor Emeritus, Political Science, taught Middle East related courses for more than 40 years; 39 years at Winona State. He also taught in Egypt, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. El-Afandi is the founder of Winona’s Islamic Center.
What are we made of?
A physicist’s Perspective

Instructor: Dr. Andrew Ferstl
Date: Tuesday
Time: 2:00-3:30pm
Sessions: September 9, 16, 23, 30, October 7
Location:
Member Fee: $40.00

“The Universe is made of stories, not of atoms” is a quote attributed to Muriel Rukeyser, a poet. This is most likely an allusion to the popular idea that everything is made of atoms. But is it? In this class we will explore the current scientific consensus on what the universe is made of and how it came to be. Sessions will include: seeing small things; rise of quantum physics; the particle zoo; and particle physics and cosmology: dark energy, dark matter, and the Big Bang (in a nutshell).

Dr. Andrew Ferstl, WSU Physics Professor, earned his Ph.D. in physics from the University of Minnesota in 2000. His Ph.D. emphasis was in the interdisciplinary work in cosmology and particle physics. He has taught physics classes from the introductory level to senior level courses. His interest these days lies in the “basic understanding of nature: elementary particle physics.”
Music of Other Cultures

Instructor: Ruth Bures
Date: Thursday
Time:
Sessions:
Location: Performing Arts Center 113
Member Fee: $40.00

We are excited to once again offer this very popular class! Each year the WSU Music department hosts visiting international artists. This class coincides with the performances of these artists.

Ruth Bures taught World Music at WSU and gained a great deal of insight and information about the music of other cultures. Having traveled widely, she has experienced much of this music first-hand and is fascinated by the variety of ways people make and think of music.
Name _______________________________________

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Please provide:
WSU Retiree ID# ___________________ OR

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Continuing Education Units (CEU) available on request. Please submit your request for CEU before the start of class.

Indicate which course fees are enclosed:

☐ Four Actors of French Cinema - $40
☐ Arab Spring: Fact or Fiction- $40
☐ What are we made of? A physicist’s Perspective - $40
☐ Music of Other Cultures- $40

Total Enclosed $ ____________

Indicate type of payment:

☐ Check     ☐ Cash

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