WHAT IS SENIOR UNIVERSITY?

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.

Senior University is open to retirees and community adult learners.

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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.
Senior University Classes

Fall 2019

Art History “Isms”: Late Gothic to Academic Movements

Free Press Under Attack: Journalism & the First Amendment

Historical Issues in Intercollegiate Athletics

Dinosaurs of the Great Plains

Paradoxes in Education

Great Ideas in Physics

InQueery Course - Spring 2019
ART HISTORY “ISMS”:
LATE GOTHIC TO ACADEMIC MOVEMENTS

Instructor: Nicole Chamberlain-Dupree
Day: Friday
Time: 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Location: Minnesota Marine Art Museum
Sessions: August 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20, 27
Course Fee: $40.00

Art History “Isms” is back and launching all over again! This first series includes European movements from the 14th to 19th centuries, starting with Late Gothic and concluding with Academic Art. This class was last offered in Fall 2017, so if you missed it then, or want a refresher, be sure to sign up!

Nicole Chamberlain-Dupree is the Executive Director of the Minnesota Marine Art Museum and a big fan of art and art history. She has a Master’s degree in Art History and enjoys sharing what she knows and learns.
FREE PRESS UNDER ATTACK: JOURNALISM & THE FIRST AMENDMENT

Instructors: Cindy Killion  
Day: Wednesday  
Time: 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
Sessions: September 4, 11, 18, 25  
Location: Maxwell Hall, Room 259  
Course Fee: $40.00

Participants in this course will learn some of the constitutional intricacies of First Amendment law and how it protects and constrains the practice of journalism. Concepts that are coming under attack such as defamation, privacy and access to information will be discussed.

Cindy Killion is a recently retired professor of Mass Communication at Winona State University. She has taught a Media & Law course for the last 10 years. Cindy has a Ph.D in Communication and Society and 15 years experience as a working journalist. She is extremely interested in this issue (and law), and much of her pleasure reading is about the Supreme Court and First Amendment issues.
This course will explore the history and connection between intercollegiate athletics and higher education. It will provide exploration of how athletics in higher education shaped national military preparedness in both World War I and World War II, at the same time allowing growth of higher education and supporting links to larger communities through the growth of alumni involvement. With the growth of both intercollegiate athletics and higher education established and recognized, the course will study areas of inclusion, including race, ethnicity, and gender. Finally, the course will conclude with an analysis of the continuing business model of intercollegiate athletics, including recent scandals in relationship of the race to grow faster than the competition.

A former Division 1 athlete who now works in higher education, Matthew Lindaman explores a long standing interest in the relational history between the growth of intercollegiate athletics and higher education. In addition to a number of articles on the post World War I stadium building boom, Lindaman recently published *Fit for America: Major John L. Griffith & the Quest for Athletics & Fitness*, an intellectual biography of one of the preeminent intercollegiate athletic administrators of the twentieth century.
DINOSAURS OF THE GREAT PLAINS

Instructors: William (Lee) Beatty
Day: Friday
Time: 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Sessions: September 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1
Location: Science Laboratory Center, Room 178
Course Fee: $40.00

This class is a survey of the animals and plants that populated the Great Plains region of the western U.S. 66 million years ago, focusing on its dinosaur fauna. The course will cover dinosaur evolution, physiology, ecology, and extinction, while examining some of the iconic animals of the late Cretaceous Period. Classes will be a mix of lectures and hands-on activities and will feature fossils from the Hell Creek Formation of North Dakota.

William Beatty has been a member of the WSU Geoscience Dept. faculty since 2008. His Ph.D work focused on predator/prey ecological interactions in the fossil record. Since 2013, he has worked collecting, preparing and studying animal and plant fossils in the Hell Creek Formation of North Dakota, which represents the last non-avian dinosaur fauna in North America before the Cretaceous-Paleogene mass extinction.
PARADOXES IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

Instructor: Jim Schul  
Day: Tuesday  
Time: 2:30-4:00 p.m.  
Sessions: October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5  
Location: Maxwell Hall, Room 259  
Course Fee: $40.00  

This course examines pivotal contemporary issues in public education. We will explore the historical evolvement of these issues as well as current responses to these issues that emerge in policy and practice. We will collaboratively deliberate on best solutions to the problems that emerge from these issues.

Jim Schul is a former high school social studies teacher who has been a university professor now for nearly a decade. He researches and writes curriculum history and has had numerous articles published that focus on the area of the progressive era – particularly the 1930s. He has also published articles on educational policy and history teaching and learning. The progressive era flows throughout his work. He is currently a teacher educator in the Education Studies Department at Winona State that focuses on the historical and sociological foundations of education.
GREAT IDEAS IN PHYSICS

Instructor: Richard Shields  
Day: Wednesday  
Time: 2:00-3:30 p.m.  
Sessions: October 23, 30, November 6, 13  
Location: Pasteur Hall, Room 133  
Course Fee: $40.00

Great Ideas in Physics is a course that hopes to develop a greater understanding of the laws of physics. The lecture will develop the historical context of the great ideas, and the course will include many demonstrations that illustrate the principle involved. Starting with the basic laws of physics and examining how laws are developed will give the participants a sense of how science is done and how science can be used. The discussion will span the history of physics from the beginning to the present elementary particle theory.

This is Richard’s second time teaching this Senior University course. Here’s a comment from Jim Reynolds, a participant in the first class:

“Thanks, Dr. Shields for a wonderful class on “Great Ideas in Physics.” I was a little uncertain about my background for the course, but quickly found it to be enlightening, very interesting and great fun! You made complex ideas understandable to the non-scientist yet accommodated those with more science background as well. Best of all were the demonstrations, practical applications and discussions of the ideas being presented. I will highly recommend this course to anyone thinking about taking a Senior University course!”

-Jim Reynolds, Sr. U. Class Participant
Registration for courses is primarily done online with a credit card. If you don’t have access to a computer or would prefer to pay by check, please contact the Retiree Center, and we can assist you.


Watch your email for a message confirming your registration and providing additional details about the class or classes for which you have registered. If you do not receive a confirmation email, or if you have any questions or need assistance, contact us weekdays during regular business hours at:

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If a class must be canceled due to insufficient enrollment, inclement weather, or emergency circumstances, you will be notified as soon as possible and receive a full refund.

You may withdraw from a class and receive a full refund if we receive your withdrawal and refund request in writing, via email, mail or in person, at least five full business days before the first class date.

HOPE TO SEE YOU IN CLASS!