

Winona State University Retiree Center

FALL 2020



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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.

Senior University is open to retirees and community adult learners.

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In response to COVID-19 and the need to reduce in-person meetings and events, all Senior University and Senior University Lite courses will be held online via Zoom in Fall 2020. Zoom is easy to use, and you will be provided with a link to each class and a course password by email after you register.

The course registration link and instructions can be found on [page 9](#) of this booklet.

SENIOR UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:

**Jim Reynolds, Rill Reuter, Jim Bromeland
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Senior University Classes

Fall 2020

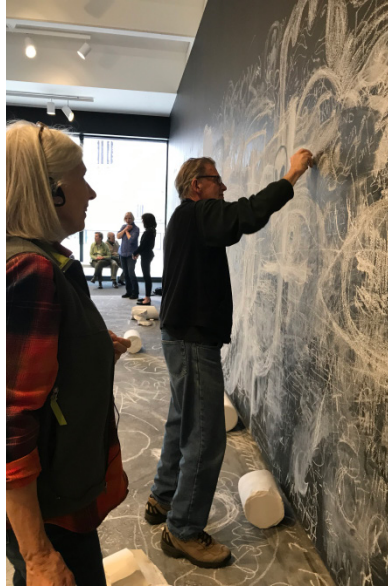
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Art History "Isms" Museum Tour - Spring 2019

Senior U Lite

More Zoom Tips and Tricks

Instructor: Ken Graetz

Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Course Fee: \$10.00

Zoom link & password will be emailed after registration

In May 2020, the WSU Retiree Center offered our first Senior U Lite course; An Introduction to Zoom Technology with Ken Graetz. We had over 150 people register for the course and it was a truly wonderful experience. We had people from all over the United States and even as far as Ghana join us for the class. In this class, Ken will review what we learned during that first class and will offer some additional tips and tricks to enhance your Zoom experience.

Ken Graetz is currently the Director of the Teaching, Learning & Technology Department at Winona State. He is a passionate administrator, educator, and researcher with 20+ years of experience in higher education. He is dedicated to helping organizations and individuals use technology to enhance and transform teaching and learning.



Senior U Lite Minnesota Marine Art Museum Virtual Tour of Temporary Exhibitions

Instructors: Heather Casper & Dave Casey

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Time: 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Course Fee: \$10.00

Zoom link & password will be emailed after registration

Enjoy a virtual tour of the three temporary exhibitions on display at the Minnesota Marine Art Museum from your living room. Curators will give an overview of three unique exhibitions: *Mark Herman: Landmarks, Memories of Titanic*, and *Christian Vizl: Silent Kingdom*, and highlight a couple of pieces in each show. We will use a casual format and save time for your comments and questions along the way.

Heather Casper has been the Curator of Education at the Minnesota Marine Art Museum in Winona, MN since February 2007. In this position she has developed a variety of public programming, touring programming, school partnerships, and educational resources for the galleries. She also manages a corps of 120 volunteers and docents and works to build and maintain community partnerships with local and regional educational institutions.

Dave Casey has been with the Minnesota Marine Art Museum since 2011. As Assistant Curator of Education & Exhibitions he develops adult education programs, creates educational interpretive materials, produces educational resources for museum volunteers and staff, and develops online educational content. He also works collaboratively with the Curator of Exhibitions to plan, execute and interpret MMAM's temporary exhibitions.



MINNESOTA MARINE ART MUSEUM

U.S. Immigration History

Instructor: Matt Lindaman

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Sessions: September 9, 16, 23, 30, October 7

Course Fee: \$40.00

Zoom link & password will be emailed after registration

This course will underscore a series of major themes in American immigration history, bringing historical perspective to modern issues. The historical context will reveal a nuanced rather than romanticized version of immigration as America's immigration history has often been contested and complicated. As a result, we will study what immigration means to American identity over time, including the impact on communities and institutions. What laws were passed and when? Which were repealed and why?

Matthew Lindaman is a professor of history at Winona State University. His PhD dissertation studied the transatlantic migration of the East Frisian Germans to America's upper Midwest. To carry out this research, he worked with some of the top immigration scholars as part of a German DAAD grant, including study in the Bremen/Bremerhaven area.



The Poverty Problem: A Sociological Perspective

Instructor: Aurea Osgood

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Sessions: September 22, 29, October 6, October 13

Course Fee: \$40.00

Zoom link & password will be emailed after registration

Poverty is a problem. Not only for the individuals and families struggling to make ends meet, but also for society. In this 4-week course we will discuss how poverty is measured, the social causes of poverty, and the individual and social consequences of poverty. We will also discuss the current and recent policies addressing poverty, and proposals to reduce poverty in the United States. We will conclude the course with a discussion of the book *\$2.00 a Day: Living on Almost Nothing in America* by Kathryn Edin and Luke Schaefer. For a good overview of the topic, also consider *Poverty in America* by John Iceland (3rd ed.).

Dr. Aurea K. Osgood is a Professor in the Department of Sociology at Winona State University. She teaches primarily courses on the sociology of families, poverty, demography, and social research methods. Her research focuses on poverty, food insecurity and teaching/pedagogy.



Election 2020

Instructor: James Bromeland

Day: Thursdays

Time: 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Sessions: October 15, 22, 29, November 5

Course Fee: \$40.00

Zoom link & password will be emailed after registration

This class will analyze the 2020 presidential, congressional and state elections. We will examine the role of political parties in American politics and seek answers to questions such as: How well do campaigns inform voters? How do voters make decisions? What is the role of money in campaigns? Where does the money come from? How do elections, campaigns, and parties fit into models of democracy? Do elections matter?

James Bromeland taught in the Political Science Department at Winona State University for 35 years with a specialty in American politics.



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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.

Start your online registration here:

https://mnscu.rschooltoday.com/public/getclass/category_id/219/program_id/37

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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SENIOR UNIVERSITY CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

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. Please note: if you pay by check, you will need to complete a W9 form to receive a refund by check from Winona State University. Credit Card payments will be refunded within 3-5 business days.

HOPE TO SEE YOU IN CLASS!



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