

Winona State University Retiree Center

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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.

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

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Spring Birding - Spring 2013

INFECTION AND IMMUNITY

Instructor: Osvaldo Martinez

Day: Wednesday

Time: 1:00-2:30p.m.

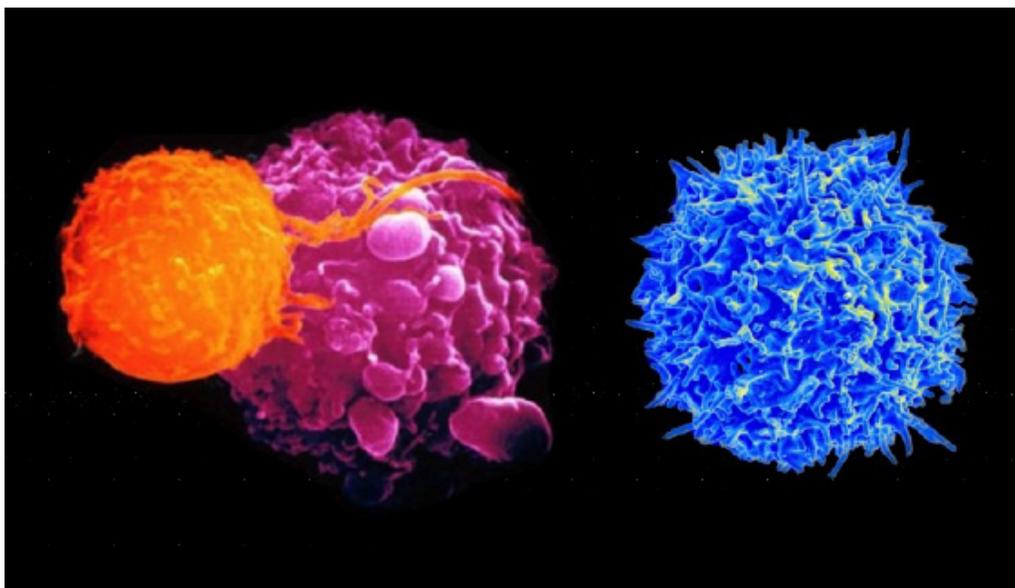
Location: Maxwell Hall, Room 257

Sessions: January 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13

Course Fee: \$40.00

This course aims to illuminate the many roles of microbes in our society and community including medical and environmental. We will explore the history of Microbiology, common infectious agents in Minnesota, vaccines and how they work, the spread of emerging infectious agents and the positive role microbes can play in our environment, including to human health.

Osvaldo Martinez has a Masters in virology from McGill University and a PhD in Autoimmunity from the University of Illinois at Chicago. His post doctoral work on the Ebola virus and host pathogen interactions was completed at Mount Sinai (New York). He has taught Microbiology to undergraduates, graduates, medical students and adults. His area of research interest is host pathogen interactions. Osvaldo is currently working on a novel Ebola virus vaccine and teaching Microbiology, Immunology and Genetics at Winona State University.



THE U.S. SUPREME COURT TODAY

Instructors: Matt Bosworth

Day: Friday

Time: 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Sessions: January 25, February 1, 8, 15

Location: Minne Hall, Room 105

Course Fee: \$40.00

This course will focus on current cases and issues confronting the U.S. Supreme Court. We will primarily focus on cases the Court is deciding this Term, but if necessary, the instructor will supplement with cases from the past Term. There are cases this Term on the death penalty and double jeopardy, among others, and last Term featured union issues, abortion, GLBT rights, and cell phone privacy. The primary goal of the course is an understanding of and discussion about the difficult debates and trade-offs the Court faces in resolving these cases.

Matt Bosworth has a Ph.D. in Political Science from UW-Madison and has taught courses at WSU on the U.S. Supreme Court and Constitutional Law for twenty-one years. He has also taught two previous Senior U courses.



INQUEERY: WHAT'S THE "Q" IN THE LGBTQ+ ALPHABET SOUP?

Instructors: Mary Jo Klinker & JamieAnn Meyers

Day: Tuesday

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

Sessions: February 12, 19, 26, March 5, 19

Location: Maxwell Hall, Room 283

Course Fee: \$40.00

This class will serve as an introduction to the major concepts and political issues surrounding lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer experience. Specifically, we will address main tensions and debates in the evolving use of the term "queer." We will examine LGBTQ+ activism, various institutionalized forms of homophobia, biphobia, transphobia, and "heteronormativity," and the "history of homosexuality" and binary cisgender normativity in relation to current political and cultural debates. We will also explore how our own gender identities intersect with power and privilege, and other identities, such as, sexuality, age, race, class, and ability.

Dr. Mary Jo Klinker (preferred gender pronouns she/her/hers) is an associate professor of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Winona State University. Her teaching and research interests include LGBT/ Queer politics and history, transnational feminist responses to state-sanctioned violence, and contemporary masculinities. Currently, she serves on the board of the Women's Resource Center, is the IFO state-wide LGBTQ+ caucus leader, and served as Winona State University's LGBTQ+ Advocate and lead safe space trainer 2015-2018.

Dr. JamieAnn Meyers - (preferred gender pronouns she/her/hers) is a transwoman and Professor Emerita at Winona State University, and has extensive experience in presenting and facilitating educational programs dealing with gender identity and sexual orientation in classrooms and in organizations in the public and private sector. During the past 8 years she has been advocating for the LGBTQ+ community in secular and faith communities and is a lead trainer with the Minnesota GLBTA Campus Alliance. She has also served as a board member and trainer with ReconcilingWorks-Lutherans for Full Participation, and as a board member and trainer with the Minnesota Transgender Health Coalition.

ART HISTORY "ISMS":

DAY TRIP TO MINNEAPOLIS ART MUSEUMS

Instructor: Nicole Chamberlain-Dupree

Day: Friday, March 15th

Time: All Day (7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

Course Fee: \$55.00

Nicole Chamberlain-Dupree is taking her extremely popular Senior U Art History "Isms" course on the road this March! Please join Nicole as she leads us through the Walker Art Center and Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Nicole plans to spend time with the MIA and Walker paintings collections, highlighting some of the collections' most notable works from a range of movements talked about in her Art History classes and some NOT talked about. She wants to make sure that all participants will feel comfortable whether or not they took part in her previous Art History "Isms" courses. This day trip will be limited to 40 participants. A head-phone tour-guide system to facilitate instructor communication with participants will be provided.

Here's our itinerary:

- 7:45 a.m. - Depart from the Phillips Bus Parking Lot (12th and Main Sts. In Winona - Please arrive at 7:30 a.m. to begin boarding)
- 10:00 a.m. - Arrive at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts
- 10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon - Tour the MIA
- 12 Noon – 1:30 p.m. - Eat lunch along Nicollet Mall (Eat Street!). Nicole and I will have suggestions for lunch. There are several fantastic restaurants offering many different cuisines along Nicollet Mall between 23rd and 27th Streets – just a short walk from the MIA.
- 1:45 p.m. – Board the bus to the Walker Art Center
- 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Tour the Walker Art Center
- 4:15 p.m. – Depart from the Walker Art Center
- 6:30 p.m. – Arrive in Winona

The \$55.00 cost for this trip includes your entrance to the museums, Nicole's fee for leading the tours, the bus ride (including snacks and water) and tip for the bus driver. The cost of lunch is not included.

Remember, you do not need to have taken Nicole's previous Art History courses to enjoy this trip. This opportunity is open to everyone!

SPRING WILDFLOWERS: TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Instructor: Judy Shepard

Day: Wednesday

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

Sessions: March 27, April 10, May 1, 8, 15

Location: Krueger Library, Room 107 (1st class only)

Course Fee: \$45.00

This course consists of field trips planned around some of our most charismatic wildflowers as spring unfolds in the Driftless Area. Participants will discover the diversity of spring wildflowers and will learn the relationship between habitat and plant communities. Students will discover how these plants have been used over the last 10,000 years by Native Americans as well as by early settlers.

Note: Participants must be able to walk on uneven terrain unassisted, and provide their own transportation or arrange car pools with other registered participants in class for the course field trips. A headphone tour-guide system to facilitate instructor communication with class participants on field trips will be provided. Please, only registered class participants on the field trips, since the class size is limited. Thank you.

Judy Shepard has been an outdoor enthusiast all her life, but moving to the Driftless Area of MN in 1975 was a life-changing experience. She took a variety of classes at WSU in the natural sciences, which led to a job at Whitewater State Park as a Seasonal Naturalist Assistant under the mentorship of Dave Palmquist. There she led programs and walks for school groups and the public. She has also volunteered for 27 years with school groups at the former Hixon Forest Nature Center in La Crosse, WI. Judy and her husband Chuck seize any opportunity to explore the natural features of this Driftless Area we call home.



THE SEX LIFE OF TREES

Instructor: Carol Jefferson

Day: Thursday

Time: 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Sessions: April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30, June 13

Location: Maxwell Hall, Room 158 (1st class only)

Course Fee: \$45.00

This course will include five 2-hour walking trips on and near the WSU campus, Lake Park, and Woodlawn Cemetery. Participants will discover the fascinating sexual strategies of trees and shrubs; some have a single gender, some both genders on the same flower or different flowers, some change genders as they age or their neighbors change, and some primarily reproduce asexually! Along the way, we will also learn to identify trees and shrubs without their leaves and observe a large variety of spring wildflowers. People usually assume that spring trees' greenish blush is leaf growth, but in many cases the opening buds reveal flowers.

Carol Jefferson is a retired WSU Biology professor and plant ecologist with a Ph.D in Botany. Among the relevant courses she taught are Plant Taxonomy (plant identification & classification), Spring Wildflowers, Natural History (ecology of local area), Dendrology (trees), and various other Botany courses. She has led more than 1000 field trips, scores of which concentrated on tree and shrub flowers. She was also a curator for the WSU Herbarium.



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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/subcategory_id/619

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!



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