

# August 2021 E-Bulletin

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**AUGUST 2021** 

Welcome to OLLI@SCU for the year 2021-2022. We are excited to announce a number of changes happening in the next couple of months. But before we begin, we are asking now, that you please renew your membership status with OLLI. The membership link will appear at the end of this introduction.

The OLLI office is pleased to announce that we have scheduled our first in-person OLLI / Event / Class on Friday, September 17, 2021, at the Recital Hall and more details will come directly in a separate email to our members in the next couple of weeks. This is exciting news for everyone.

We would also like to share that for the FALL quarter, our OLLI will have a number of in-person classes, and also some ZOOM courses. The course listing and information for classes (in both formats) will be in the sneak – peek we normally send out a month before classes actually begin. We would like to clarify now, that our classes are not hybrid classes. It is one or the other. The classes are set up to be either in-person, or on ZOOM, but not both. With our limited staff, the idea of a hybrid is not possible this quarter. So, we made the decision to continue to offer online classes, as well as in-person classes, to complement the OLLI program offerings. Now you can continue to pursue your Lifelong Learning either on campus or at home.

July 27, 2021: Important information coming from the office of the SCU President:

# Important Update to COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements

Santa Clara University will mandate that all students be vaccinated against COVID-19 as an important step in our plans to return to fully in-person classes and campus life this fall. Now, with virus transmission increasing— especially among unvaccinated populations exposed to the Delta variant-vaccination remains as critical as ever to reducing the spread of COVID-19. All students will continue to be required to be fully vaccinated by the start of fall term as previously announced. (This includes our OLLI members. No exceptions are being made.)

This course of action is anchored by our core guiding principles to protect the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff, and to offer a rigorous, transformational education in the long tradition of Jesuit education. There has also been broad support among our campus constituencies for a responsible, public-health-minded vaccine mandate that will protect the health of our community and ensure a safe return to on-campus life. Santa Clara County and other local counties recently recommended that employers require COVID-19 vaccination of their workforces. Many of our faculty, staff, and students already have voluntarily submitted proof of COVID-19 vaccination through the Vax Verify system.

This mandate also takes into account the views of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and others that the currently available COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective, readily accessible in the U.S., and proven to provide significant protection against the virus as well as the new Delta variant.

### End of announcement

Please note that our OLLI members will not be required to submit proof of the COVID-19 vaccination using the Vax Verify System, however, we will require proof of your vaccine upon entering your on-campus class this quarter. Stay tuned as we work out this process.

Masks are also recommended and may be required. Because we are recommending masks and proof of vaccines, social distancing will not be enforced. Policy changes happen quickly at SCU depending on the information we receive from Santa Clara County and the CDC guidelines.

Thank you for supporting us through the pandemic, and beyond.

# Register for Membership here

The OLLI office, Andrea, Grace, and Julia

# **Summer 2021 Course Offerings**

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# **Special Interest Groups (SIG's)**

For more information regarding ALL SIGs, please review our website

https://www.scu.edu/osher/special-interest-group-sigs/

# **Contemporary Issues Discussion**

If you enjoy stimulating discussions of timely topics of interest, contact Len Schreibstein at <a href="mailto:lendebsch@aol.com">lendebsch@aol.com</a> to learn more about our group. We currently meet once or twice a month via Zoom and members are required to RSVP.



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#### Genealogy

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Contact Max Jedda if you need information: maxiedda@yahoo.com,

408-735-8697.

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## Mystery Book Club

If you enjoy reading and discussing mystery books or crime fiction, a genre that fictionalizes crimes, their detection, and their motives, contact Susan Haag at haag408@att.net to learn more about our group. We will meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month via Zoom from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

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### **Photography**

The Photography SIG is now meeting via Zoom on the 4th Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. We show pictures to everyone on a specific subject that was determined in the previous meeting. Contact Tom McNeal at trmcneal@comcast.net to learn more about our group.



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## **Staff**

Executive Director: Marie Brancati
Director: Andrea Saade
Admin Assistant: Grace Perez
Student Office Support: Julia Perry
Our office is currently closed, due
to a stay-at-home order. Contact us
by email olliatscu@gmail.com



# **Council of Chairs (COC)**

Executive Advisor: Open Curriculum: Ken Wadors Membership: Janet

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Office Operations: Susan Toussaint

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Volunteer Hosts: Bev Seligman

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Tue, Aug 3, 2021 at 8:36 AM

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NOTE: I WILL BE ON VACATION: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4 THROUGH MONDAY, AUGUST 9