

## OLLI Insider Volume 25 (July 2025)



Hello everyone! We hope you are enjoying the Summer Taste program. It is almost time for the Fall I 2025 session registration. The catalog for the Fall I session is available on our <u>CSUCI</u> <u>OLLI</u> website. <u>Registration</u> for Fall I begins on August 4<sup>th</sup> and the session runs from August 18<sup>th</sup> through September 26<sup>th</sup>. During this Fall session, we are offering 13 three and six-week courses, as well as 17 additional Zoom courses

through Osher Online! Check out the Fall I calendar on the next page and view the full class descriptions in our catalog!



### Fall I 2025 Calendar

# Calendar Overview | OLLI at CSUCI Courses

Day	Time	Location	Title	Weeks	Class #	Start Date
Mon	10am-12pm	Zoom	The Brain And (Instructor: Uyeda)	6	1001	8/18
	1-3pm	COLV/Zoom & In-Person	Key Controversies in American History: Interpretations, Politics, and Revisionism - Part I (Instructor: Wilcox)	3	1002	8/18
	1-3pm	Zoom	Germany at a Crossroads: 35 Years after Unification (Instructor: Isaacs)	3	1003	9/15
Tues	10am-12pm	SCIART/Zoom & In-Person	Qigong Breathwork (Instructor: Fan)	3	1004	8/19
	10am-12pm	SCIART/Zoom & In-Person	Exploring Past and Present: Presidencies of Jackson and McKinley (Instructor: Gooch)	3	1005	9/9
	1-3pm	Zoom	The History of Iraq and Iran (Instructor: Al-Marashi)	6	1006	8/19
Wed	10am-12pm	Zoom	Ring of Fire: The Emerging Crisis in the South China Seas (Instructor: Day)	6	1007	8/20
	1-3pm	CSUCI/Zoom & In-Person	Diversity in Native American Communities (Instructor: Groat)	6	1008	8/20
Thurs	10am-12pm	SCIART/Zoom & In-Person	The History and Mystery of Color (Instructor: Schrader)	6	1009	8/21
	1-3pm	COLV/Zoom & In-Person	Introduction to the Solar System (Instructor: French)	6	1010	8/21
Fri	10am-12pm	SCIART/Zoom & In-Person	Divine Collectors and Devious Dealers: Women Selling Art (Instructor: Maasdam)	3	1011	8/22
	10am-12pm	SCIART/Zoom & In-Person	U.S. Foreign Policy Formation: 1789 - Present (Instructor: Kojelis)	3	1012	9/12
	1-3pm	GACC (In- Person Only)	Introduction to Latin American History (Instructor: Powelson)	6	1013	8/22

CSUCI - California State University Channel Islands

COLV - The Colleges of Law, Ventura

SCIART - Studio Channel Islands Art Center

GACC - Goebel Adult Community Center

#### **Meet Professor Sean Anderson**

Sean Anderson is currently the Chair of Environmental Science and Resource Management at CSUCI. He joined the University 20 years ago and has been teaching ever since. It has been some time since he last taught for OLLI, and we were glad to have the opportunity to learn from him again in our Spring II session!

Sean attended UC Santa Barbara for his undergraduate degree and was the first in his family to go to college. It was there that he discovered a passion for science. He met his wife, Stacey, who now chairs the English Department at CSUCI and co-teaches with him at OLLI, in high school. They attended different colleges and used the train between Santa Barbara and San Diego



every other weekend to get together. They moved to Los Angeles together for their graduate studies--Sean at UCLA, Stacey at Loyola Marymount University and then Claremont Graduate University--and both graduated with their PhDs. They both received postdoctoral fellowships to Stanford University where they spent the next few years doing research and teaching. The opportunity for both to teach at CSUCI, a new university, and help start their departments, was perfect.

Sean's focus has always been on the community. He has worked on oil spills, wildfires, ecological restoration, and pollution, including monitoring microplastics. Sean sits on several Boards such as The Metals Company, The International Union for Conservation of Nature, and The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. Working with these institutions, and others, helps him understand the policies and stakeholders at the local, state, and federal levels. He has advocated change through advertising that shifts the burden of mitigating pollution from the individual to the manufacturer.

Sean's engaging teaching style and expertise make for an unforgettable learning experience. Whether in the classroom or the field, Sean continues to inspire with his dedication to science, the environment, and our community.

### **OLLI Members Travel to Turkey**



Members of OLLI at CSU Channel Islands recently explored Turkey, journeying through its rich tapestry of ancient Greek and Roman history. Highlights included the awe-inspiring ruins of Ephesus, which boasted a large Library second only to the ancient library in Alexandria, the legendary city of Troy; the dramatic



Acropolis of Pergamon; and the surreal landscapes of Cappadocia. In Istanbul, they marveled at iconic sites like Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque, the Roman Hippodrome, and more contemporary Royal Palaces of Top Kapi and Dolmabache. The city's vibrant, cosmopolitan atmosphere—where East meets West—offered a dynamic contrast to the ancient past, with bustling bazaars, world-class cuisine, and diverse cultures. This immersive journey offered OLLI members a profound glimpse into Turkey's deep historical roots and modern global character.

### **Upcoming Events**

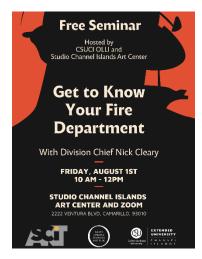


# The Role of the Military in Domestic Law Enforcement with Dr. Michael Baker

On Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 10am-12pm on Zoom, Dr. Michael Baker will be teaching a special seminar on the role of the military in domestic law enforcement. There is a \$15 registration fee to attend. Don't miss out on this timely seminar! Registration is available on our Events Calendar.

# Get to Know Your Fire Department with Division Chief Nick Cleary

OLLI and Studio Channel Islands Art Center are hosting a FREE seminar on Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am-12pm. Division Chief Nick Cleary will provide an overview of the Ventura County Fire Department and discuss wildfire safety and response. The seminar will be offered in-person at Studio Channel Islands Art Center and on Zoom. Please note that separate registration is required for in-person or Zoom attendance. Registration is available on our Events Calendar.





#### **Seabee Museum Tour**

On Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> OLLI members will have the opportunity to participate in a guided tour of the Seabee Museum in Port Hueneme. The Seabees are the construction force of the US Navy, officially known as the Naval Construction Force. They are responsible for building and maintaining infrastructure for the Navy and Marine Corps, both in wartime and peacetime. Their motto, "Can Do," reflects their tradition and their ability to tackle diverse construction and engineering challenges. This is a drive-yourself tour and is free to attend, but donations are welcome. Registration opens on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

### **Gateway Hall Ribbon Cutting**

OLLI members are invited to attend the formal dedication and ribbon cutting of our brand-new campus building, Gateway Hall, on Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11am. Starting in Spring 2026, OLLI classes will be offered in Shasta Hall, right next to Gateway Hall. Our new classroom will provide a welcoming space for OLLI members to connect with each other and with our campus. We hope you will join us for this historic moment!



## Be a Fall I Session Ambassador – It's Fun! It's Easy!

We need thirteen ambassadors for the Fall I session. As an ambassador, you will have the opportunity to welcome your fellow OLLI students in person or on Zoom and get to know them better. You will also introduce the instructor at the beginning of class. OLLI staff will let you know if there are any announcements. That's it for being an ambassador! Please contact OLLI@csuci.edu to join the fun!