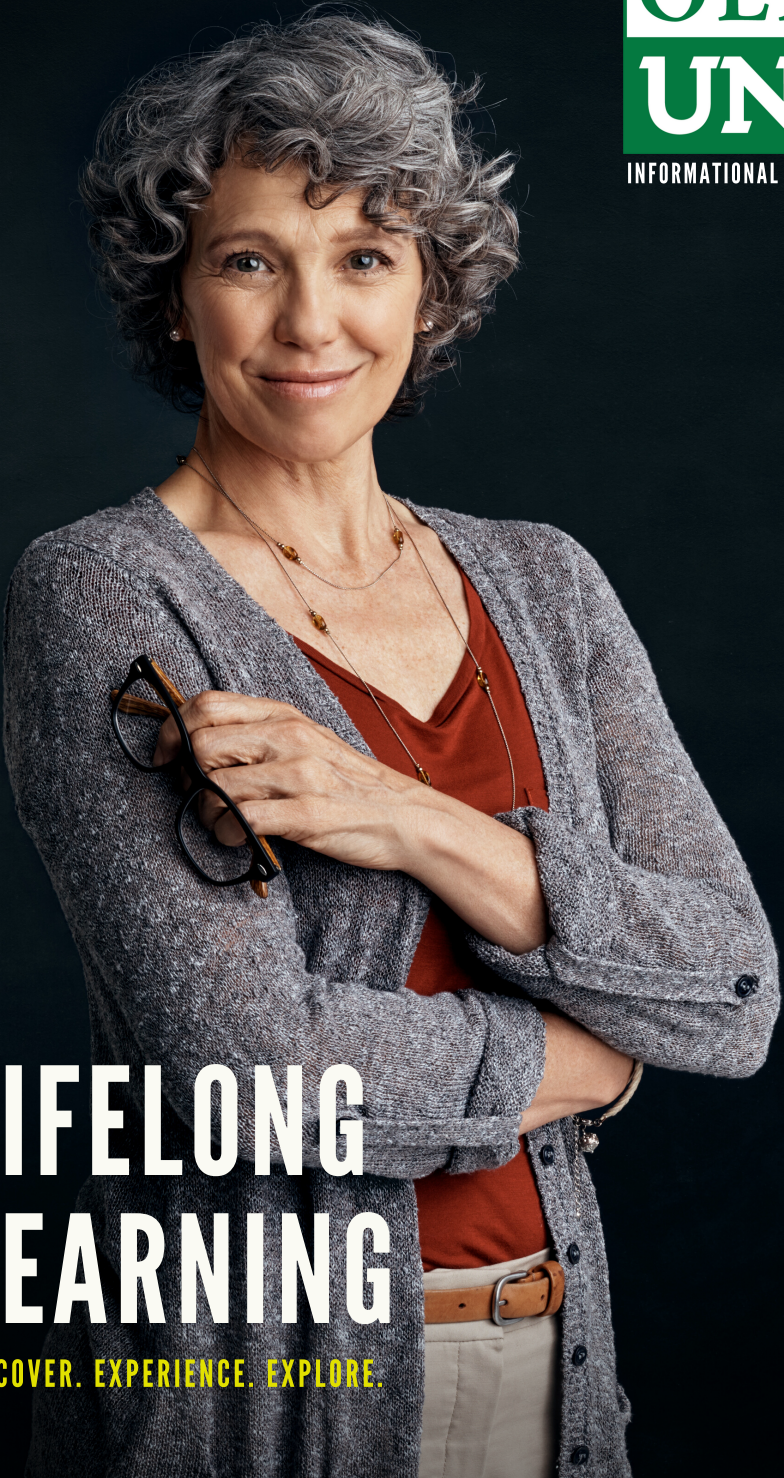


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OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

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# LIFELONG LEARNING

DISCOVER. EXPERIENCE. EXPLORE.



**"As I get older, this kind of interaction and learning is not only good for me, but also is just plain fun."**



**"It's a dose of interesting classes, bright people, and fun activities."**



**"I am constantly amazed at the caliber of folks who are willing to teach for the love of doing it."**

# THE OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT UNT

Since 2009, the University of North Texas in Denton has offered a lifelong learning program with non-credit courses, events, special interest groups, and trips designed by and for adults 50 and better. Our program began under the leadership of Dr. James R. Miller (1926 - 2011), former Dean of UNT's College of Education. Dr. Miller encouraged the development of this lifelong learning program with the goal of one day earning the designation of an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.

Thanks to the generosity of the Bernard Osher Foundation, which seeks to improve quality of life through support for higher education and the arts, our program joined a network of 123 Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes across the United States in 2016. Our membership has been growing steadily and we've recently added satellite locations in Flower Mound and Frisco. In November 2018, the Foundation unanimously approved a \$1 million endowment for our program, ensuring that this great resource will be around for many years to come.

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# Stephanie Reinke, EdD

## Director, OLLI at UNT

The value of lifelong learning is evident and research indicates that staying intellectually and socially engaged can offset cognitive decline, improve memory and even increase a person's lifespan. The [Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of North Texas \(OLLI at UNT\)](#) is part of a network of lifelong learning programs across the United States designed by and for adults 50 and better. I welcome you to browse through this brochure to see the many ways OLLI at UNT can enrich your life!

With members from almost 50 towns in the North Texas region, OLLI at UNT is the premiere lifelong learning program in the metroplex, offering over 300 courses every year in five different locations in Denton, Flower Mound and Frisco. Members attend 90-minute courses that are taught by professors and other area professionals. OLLI at UNT offers courses on a wide array of topics including history, art, science, philosophy and religion, music, etc. with no tests and no grades. Courses are held year-round.

In addition to our regular courses, we offer an [OLLI After 5:00 Lecture Series](#) that runs from 5:30-6:30 pm and includes complimentary wine and cheese. We also have a [Lunch & Learn Lecture Series](#) which runs from 11:45 am-12:45 pm where members bring their own lunch and eat while learning. We also offer many special events and cultural activities for our members including both domestic and international travel opportunities.

For an annual membership starting as low as \$55, you too can be a part of this amazing lifelong learning program. If you know of a friend or loved one that might enjoy this program, please consider the gift of learning. Please go to [oli.unt.edu/gift](https://oli.unt.edu/gift) to find out how you can give the gift of OLLI at UNT membership to someone special.

Come join us and be a part of an intellectually and socially stimulating program designed just for YOU!

Hope to see you in class soon!

*Stephanie Reinke, EdD*

# MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

**\$55 Annual Membership - \$10 per course**

**\$75 Annual Membership - all courses included**

Available to all **Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces (& spouses)** and dues paying members of the following organizations: **UNT Retiree Association, UNT Alumni Association, Flower Mound Senior Center, & Frisco Senior Center.**

**\$140 Annual Membership - all courses included**

## All Memberships Include:

- Access to 300+ courses each year at all satellite locations
- **OLLI After 5:00** and **Lunch & Learn** lecture series (no extra cost)
- Checkout privileges at UNT's Willis Library
- 10% discount at the UNT Barnes & Noble Campus Bookstore
- Discounted and complimentary tickets to select UNT Athletics, Dance & Theatre, Music, and lecture series events
- Discounted membership at UNT's Pohl Recreation Center
- Convenient free parking at all classroom locations
- Discounted meals at Mr. Chopsticks restaurant
- New benefits being added regularly!

Learn more at  
[olli.unt.edu/register](https://olli.unt.edu/register)



# Course Topics:

New courses are offered every semester.



Arts & Humanities



Current Events & Social Issues



Finance & Business



History



Nature & Gardening



Philosophy & Religion



Science, Technology,  
Engineering, & Math



Wellness & Lifestyle

View course titles and descriptions at [olli.unt.edu/catalog](https://olli.unt.edu/catalog).

# Engage your mind.

It's a key part of aging well.

"The numerous scientific studies that highlight the connection between lifelong learning and community involvement with maintaining cognitive and mental health make OLLI at UNT the most fun and exciting 'preventative medicine' I could ever want."

- OLLI at UNT member **Susan Supak**

## Give the gift of OLLI!

Purchase a membership for someone you love.



Learn more at  
[oli.unt.edu/gift](https://oli.unt.edu/gift)

# MEMBER BENEFITS & RESOURCES

## FACULTY HANDOUTS

Some of our faculty members choose to make handouts available to members. When we receive handouts from faculty, we post them on our website: [oli.unt.edu/handouts](https://oli.unt.edu/handouts).

## MEMBER LOUNGE

In addition to a dedicated OLLI at UNT classroom, our new office at **1716 Scripture Street** in Denton includes a great new Member Lounge! We invite you to come in, have a cup of coffee, and pick up a book from our **Free Member Library** (don't forget to leave a book of your own). This is a great place to relax before or after class, or whenever you happen to be in the area. Our offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 5:00pm. We close for all holidays recognized by UNT.

## UNT WILLIS LIBRARY CARD

OLLI at UNT members are eligible to obtain a UNT library card with borrowing privileges at Willis Library (**1506 Highland St., Denton, TX 76203**). Contact [oli@unt.edu](mailto:oli@unt.edu) to request your library card.

## UNT POHL RECREATION CENTER

OLLI at UNT members may purchase rec center memberships at the UNT Faculty/Staff rates: \$99 for one semester, \$198 for two semesters, or \$264 for a year. Contact **940-565-2275** or [recsports@unt.edu](mailto:recsports@unt.edu) for more information.

## UNT BOOKSTORE

Members may present their OLLI at UNT ID card at the Barnes & Noble bookstore on UNT's Denton campus for a **10% discount**.



## UNT FINE ARTS PERFORMANCES

OLLI at UNT members are granted discounted or complimentary tickets for select performances by the **College of Music** and **Dance & Theatre Department**. We inform all members about opportunities for great ticket deals.

## UNT LECTURE SERIES

OLLI at UNT members are granted discounted tickets to select lecture series presented by UNT, such as the **Distinguished Lecture Series** and the **Kuehne Speakers Series**. We inform members as soon as these tickets become available.

## LEWISVILLE LAKE SYMPHONY

OLLI at UNT members may purchase tickets to select Symphony performances for the discounted price of **\$18**. Members will receive email notifications of available performances, along with the special code required to claim the discounted rate when purchasing tickets online.

## MR. CHOPSTICKS

OLLI at UNT members receive a **15% discount** at the Mr. Chopsticks restaurant in Denton, which is located just across the street from our office and classroom on 1716 Scripture Street.

**New member benefits are being added regularly!**

# CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

Maps and directions are available at [oli.unt.edu/locations](https://oli.unt.edu/locations).

## University of North Texas

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**1716 Scripture Street  
Denton, TX 76201**

Mondays & Wednesdays  
10:00 am - 11:30 am  
& 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The majority of our courses on the UNT Denton Campus will be held in the classroom at our Scripture Street location. The locations for any courses not taking place in this classroom will be listed in their course descriptions.

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot of the building. Handicap accessible parking spaces are available.

## Robson Ranch Texas

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**9501 Ed Robson Blvd.  
Denton, TX 76207**

Tuesdays & Thursdays  
10:00 am - 11:30 am,  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm,  
& 2:45 pm - 4:15pm

All courses at Robson Ranch are held in the Clubhouse. The Robson Ranch community has a gated entrance, located at the intersection of Robson Ranch Road and Ed Robson Boulevard. The attendant at the entrance will direct you to the clubhouse when you arrive.

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot of the building. Handicap accessible parking spaces are available.



## Good Samaritan Society Lake Forest Village

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3901 Montecito Dr.  
Denton, TX 76210  
Fridays  
10:30 am - 12:00 pm

All courses at Good Samaritan Society are held in the Administration Building's Fourth Floor Lounge.

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot of the building. OLLI at UNT members may park in any spot that is not covered or designated as a resident spot only. Handicap accessible parking spaces are available.

## Frisco Senior Center

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6670 Moore Street  
Frisco, TX 75034  
Fridays  
10:00 am - 11:30 am  
& 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

All courses at the Frisco Senior Center are held in the Multipurpose Room. When you arrive, Senior Center staff will be on-site to direct you to your class.

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot of the building.

### Senior Center Membership or Monthly Pass Required

<https://www.friscotexas.gov/645/Senior-Center-at-Frisco-Square>

The Frisco Senior Center operates on a membership basis. Frisco residents are eligible for a free annual Senior Center membership. To access the Senior Center's facilities, OLLI at UNT members must either present proof of Senior Center membership or purchase a \$2 monthly pass from the Center.



# CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

## (continued)

### Flower Mound Senior Center

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2701 W. Windsor Drive  
Flower Mound, TX 75028

Mondays & Wednesdays  
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

All courses at the Flower Mound Senior Center are held in the Shirley Voirin Ballroom A.

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot of the building. Handicap accessible parking spaces are available.

### Senior Center Membership or Day Pass Required

<https://www.flower-mound.com/749/Seniors-In-Motion>

The Flower Mound Senior Center operates on a membership basis. The Senior Center sells its Seniors in Motion memberships at the Center as well as online. The cost of membership is \$10 per year for residents and \$20 per year for non-residents. To access their facilities, OLLI at UNT members must either present proof of Seniors in Motion membership or purchase a Day Pass (\$1 for Flower Mound residents or \$2 for non-residents).

## SENIOR CENTER MEMBER DISCOUNT

Those who purchase either an annual Seniors in Motion membership from the Flower Mound Senior Center or an annual membership from the Frisco Senior Center are eligible for a discounted annual membership from OLLI at UNT: **\$75 All Courses Included.**



**Attend any course at any one of our  
classroom locations!**



## IT'S ABOUT FEEDING YOUR CURIOSITY, NOT PASSING A TEST

OLLI at UNT member Toni Souza walked into Dr. Debbie Rohwer's course, "What We Know About Music and Older Adults," having not played music for twenty years. From the course description, she knew that she'd have the opportunity to take part in an "instrument petting zoo" and attempt to make sounds on selected musical instruments. She was anxious to give that a try.

The experience was a lot of fun for all of the members in attendance. For Toni, it was like being reintroduced to an old friend. "After learning about the New Horizons band that Dr. Rohwer directs and the beginning band run by two amazing graduate students, I decided it was time to get back into music," she said. Now, Toni's learning a brand new instrument.

If members were graded for their participation in OLLI at UNT courses, Toni would certainly have passed with flying colors. However, the reward of a passing letter grade would have paled in comparison to the joy she's now getting from making music again. "Had I not attended this lecture through OLLI at UNT and met Dr. Rohwer," Toni reflected, "I probably would not have joined the New Horizons group." Toni's inquisitive mind makes her an honor roll student in our eyes, because being inspired to **begin your life's next adventure** is what lifelong learning is all about.

See a listing of our courses and events at  
[olli.unt.edu/catalog](https://olli.unt.edu/catalog)



In 2018, OLLI at UNT members received discounted tickets to see **Dr. Jane Goodall** as part of UNT's Distinguished Lecture Series. Kenneth and Laura Wages won a chance to meet Dr. Goodall at a VIP reception.



Renowned gardening and horticulture expert **Neil Sperry** also gave an exclusive lecture on Lone Star Gardening for OLLI at UNT members.



# MAKE NEW, LASTING FRIENDSHIPS

OLLI at UNT's **Special Interest Groups** (or SIGs for short) are a great way to get to know your fellow members. With support from OLLI at UNT staff, members have formed several book clubs, a local theatre club, and even a group that plans day trips in our area! Each SIG operates under the leadership of a member, who serves as the SIG chair. These groups provide a great opportunity for members to meet like-minded individuals and plan activities beyond the regular OLLI at UNT offerings each semester.

Interested in starting or joining a SIG?  
Let us know at [olli@unt.edu](mailto:olli@unt.edu) or **940-369-7293**

## RECENT MEMBER SURVEY RESPONSES:

"I enjoy interacting with people who are interested in exploring and responding analytically to an information-filled world because it stimulates creative thinking."

"OLLI at UNT has interesting members from diverse backgrounds."

"I love sharing divergent ideas and opinions and continuing discussions over a great meal."

"I enjoy the camaraderie among participants and instructors."



# NOT YOUR **AVERAGE** CLASSROOM

Have you ever considered taking an art appreciation course? How about one that focuses on the beauty of sports cars? Recently, OLLI at UNT members met in a parking garage on campus to admire the form and function of several unique high performance vehicles. Bryan Dickson, an adjunct lecturer in UNT's Economics department, stepped away from his primary field of research for an afternoon to share his passion for sports cars with a group of eager learners.

In another course, members learned about the history of sound recording from David Huff, Sound Preservationist for the UNT Music Library. David gave demonstrations of phonograph cylinders, shellac 78 RPM discs, and player piano rolls. Without special access to the Music Library's collections, a presentation like this would be impossible.

While we do offer many courses in the traditional lecture format, OLLI at UNT also promotes the virtues of **experiential learning**. We encourage our faculty to prepare vivid demonstrations, plan participatory activities, and arrange for special access to incredible archives and collections. Whether you're interested in a showcase featuring some of the UNT Texas Fashion Collection's 20,000 historic garments or a chance to help a renowned codebreaker crack the Zodiac serial killer's mysterious cipher, each semester of OLLI at UNT brings a new selection of fascinating educational opportunities, chosen by a committee of your peers.



## EXCLUSIVE LECTURES BY RENOWNED FACULTY

Each semester, OLLI at UNT curates two special lecture series. Our **Lunch & Learn** series meets during the lunch hour and features faculty from one selected department of UNT. In recent semesters, members have enjoyed lectures by faculty from the History, Anthropology, and Chemistry departments. Members are invited to bring their own lunch to these lectures and learn while they refuel for their afternoon classes.

Our **OLLI After 5:00** series is curated by the Director of OLLI at UNT and features complimentary wine and cheese. In 2018, war photojournalist Thorne Anderson shared intimate first-hand details of his front line coverage of Iraqi insurgent groups and civilians. Professor and saxophonist Brad Leali brought in musicians to give a live demonstration of how jazz musicians communicate with each other when improvising on stage.

Both of these special series are included at no additional cost for all OLLI at UNT members. Those who join at the \$55 annual membership level do not have to pay a course fee to enjoy these lectures.



**UNT President Neal Smatresk** is a firm believer in the benefits of lifelong learning. He frequently gives talks to our members, updating them about exciting developments at the University of North Texas.

We are very grateful for the President's support!

# SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE



## We welcome:

- ACTIVE FACULTY
- RETIRED FACULTY
- AREA PROFESSIONALS
- PASSIONATE SUBJECT  
MATTER EXPERTS

[OLLI.UNT.EDU/TEACH](https://olli.unt.edu/teach)

# LET'S GO **EXPLORING!**

OLLI at UNT partners with some of the tourism industry's most respected agencies to offer exciting domestic and international trips each year. Jim and Melba Morrow recently took a trip to South Dakota and the Badlands with the Collette travel agency. "The trip was well-organized and provided us with a lifetime of memories," Jim told us afterward. "It was a great opportunity to see wonderful sites and make new friends."

A minimum of three trips are offered each year, covering a wide variety of price points. We encourage you to **break out of your comfort zone** and join us as we discover exciting destinations in our own backyard and abroad!

Learn more at [olli.unt.edu/travel](http://olli.unt.edu/travel)





**Hosted by:**



**Susan Supak**

**In-depth interviews with OLLI faculty  
Program updates from OLLI staff  
Hosted from a member's perspective**

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# CREATED FOR MEMBERS, LED BY MEMBERS

OLLI at UNT is not only guided by feedback from our members, we encourage members to get involved in the planning of our activities as well. Every course, event, and initiative is planned in direct consultation with our **Advisory Council** and **Standing Committees**. Through these bodies, members help plan, direct, advise and grow the program.

Members are also actively involved in representing our program to the public. Our **OLLI at UNT Ambassadors** volunteer to work booths at local festivals, direct information sessions for area clubs and social groups, as well as spread the word about OLLI at UNT to their friends and neighbors.

Let us know how you'd like to get involved:  
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# OLLI OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM GROUND ZERO 360 EXHIBIT



This event was held in 2018  
at UNT on the Square.

OLLI at UNT members are  
regularly invited to exclusive  
events like this in our area.



**MICHELE MASON**  
Retired NYPD Executive

# OLLI.UNT.EDU

OLLI at UNT is a dynamic program and our website is a great resource for finding the latest updates about our courses and events.

Here's a helpful guide on how to navigate our website:

## [olli.unt.edu/about](https://olli.unt.edu/about)

This page is an excellent starting point for anyone who wants to become more familiar with our program and its history.

## [olli.unt.edu/locations](https://olli.unt.edu/locations)

Our program is one of the fastest growing in the nation! Visit this page for the latest details about each of our satellite locations, including directions and parking information.

## [olli.unt.edu/catalog](https://olli.unt.edu/catalog)

Visit this page to learn more about our courses and events. Our online catalog includes detailed descriptions and faculty biographies.

## [olli.unt.edu/register](https://olli.unt.edu/register)

Visit this page once you're ready to join OLLI at UNT. You can download registration forms to submit by mail or register and submit payment online.

## [olli.unt.edu/teach](https://olli.unt.edu/teach)

We accept course proposals year-round! Visit this page to submit a **Course Proposal Form** online. In gratitude to those who volunteer their time to teach for us, we offer many great benefits to our OLLI at UNT faculty.

## [olli.unt.edu/volunteer](https://olli.unt.edu/volunteer)

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## [olli.unt.edu/gift](https://olli.unt.edu/gift)

Learn how to purchase an OLLI at UNT membership as a gift for someone you love.

## [olli.unt.edu/members](https://olli.unt.edu/members)

Once you've joined as a member, this is the page to visit when you want to sign in to the **Member Portal** and add courses or events to your schedule. A helpful **Member Portal Guide** is also included on this page. The guide is illustrated with photos and contains step-by-step instructions on how to perform many specific tasks within the portal.

## [olli.unt.edu/handouts](https://olli.unt.edu/handouts)

Faculty handouts are posted on this page as they are made available to us. We recommend checking this page for handouts prior to attending each course session.

## [olli.unt.edu/evaluations](https://olli.unt.edu/evaluations)

We encourage members to evaluate each course they attend. Visit this page to complete our online **Course Evaluation Form**. All responses are anonymous. We share this feedback with faculty as well as our Curriculum Committee members.

## [olli.unt.edu/travel](https://olli.unt.edu/travel)

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Listen to OLLI at UNT member Susan Supak interview our faculty, members, and staff.



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