



Senior University ONLINE

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Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. Any and all of these basic human rights can be taken away by our current cyber environments. This course will provide practical examples and how-to's to help protect our wealth and loved ones from the ever-evolving cyber environments. Cyber space is becoming more real than real, actions leave a digital trail, breach incidents make the evening news. Use this course to become *more aware, be better prepared, and increase understanding.*

John Jenkinson started hacking computers in 1962 and has been involved with computers and security since. As a cyber engineer with major oil companies, John has seen an ever-evolving level of attacks against our national infrastructure. John holds degrees in Physics, Mathematics, and Computer Science.

Wednesday Morning

Great Decisions 2020

Wednesday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am 

Jay Pierson

This class is patterned after Great Decisions 2020, by the Foreign Policy Association. The instructor will post information on the Senior University web-site prior to every class. Some preparation will aid in the open discussions.

Week 1: Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021-Climate Change and the Global Order

Week 2: Wednesday, Feb 3, 2021-Red Sea Security

Week 3: Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021-Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

Week 4: Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021-U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle

Week 5: Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021-China's Road into Latin America

Week 6: Wednesday, Mar. 3, 2021-Artificial Intelligence and Data.

Jay Pierson received his BA from Park University, Parkville, MO

and his MA from the University of Northern Colorado. He is a 23-year veteran of the United States Air Force where he was an instructor for 18 of those years. Since his Air Force retirement, he has been a teacher and an administrator at both the high school and college level for more than 25 years and has been is a regular presenter with Senior University.

Family Issues. Managing long-term care

Wednesday | 9:00 am 10:00 am 

Steve Gonzales

his class will help families identify resources and options to effectively plan for, navigate and manage caregiving situations for the best possible outcomes, achieving the highest possible level and quality of care, while minimizing stress and limiting negative impacts on the person needing care and the people who love them. We will discuss the physical, emotional, spiritual, and financial aspects of caregiving and present resources and solutions to help mitigate the negative impacts on family. We'll also talk about Housing, Insurance Benefits and government benefits including the often-overlooked benefits available for Veterans and surviving spouses.

Steve is a Certified Long Term Care Life and Health Insurance Counselor Risk Manager Point of Need Care Funding Specialist

Introduction to Genealogy Research

Wednesday | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm 

Ken Pinter

If you believe that it is important to know something about your family roots, this course will introduce you to the tools and techniques needed to begin your genealogical research journey. You will find out what it takes to be a researcher. You will hear ideas about how to plan and implement your research and where to find information. You will then learn about ways to organize and document your findings, create tree diagrams, and ultimately pass this heritage on to others. Finally, you will see demos of the various free and for-fee online and offline data resources available to you.

Ken has spent 18 years doing in-depth family history research. He has researched numerous immediate and allied families resulting in a large family tree, an extensive picture library, and a web site with his many writings about those families. In his career he was a corporate technical instructor and manager.

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Mars II. A Tale of Two Planets

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Hank Haliasz

This class presents excerpts from Hank's upcoming new book (same title), and is a sequel to his 2019 course and book, "Martian Year 500 – The Second Beginning." An ancient bacterium has reached Mars from the recently-destroyed planet Earth, and poses new problems for the Martians, who are in the process of preparing to terraform Mars. See how life on Earth may have really begun, and learn how the remaking of the current nature of Mars back to an Earth-like nature is planned. Will it work, how long will it take, and how might the newly-arrived life-form impact the plan?

Hank served in the Air Force retiring in 1984. He was the Mission Director for orbital operations of a Department of Defense satellite program and with NASA's Space Shuttle program. Hank chaired the Sun City Astronomy Group for ten years and has been an instructor for Senior University since 2004.

Wednesday Afternoons

Teachable Moments: Jesus' Parables-Part II

Wednesday | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Matthew Laurents

In this course, Matthew Daude Laurents, Ph.D., analyzes Jesus' parables in the synoptic gospels and discusses the challenges of translation-as-interpretation. The exploration includes a discussion of the meaning, structure, and historical context of the parables through a close reading of the Greek text. Matthew will provide all the Greek you need! Matthew also examines Jesus' teaching "style" as a critical element of the impact of the parables on his audience as well as contemporary readers. This is Part-2, following the 2020 Fall Semester class.

Matthew Laurents, Ph.D., served as Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Austin CC. Currently serves as Dean of Liberal Arts, Humanities and Communications. Matthew is a philosophical counselor, serving individual, group, and organizational needs. Matthew leads a variety of workshops, from the application of philosophical reasoning skills to challenges in organizational dynamics, with mini-courses on Aristotle, Kant, and Nietzsche.

Man. Moon. Decade. Future

Wednesday | 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm 

Richard Wagoner

This course will examine the history of America's Space Program. New information about the birth of the program has come to light as well as operational details of missions, research and the program's ultimate goals. The first 5 classes will examine a different era or program (Mercury, Gemini and Apollo). Questions from the early years of the program will also be discussed, e.g., Instead of the first satellite being the Russian, Sputnik, what could the U.S.

Retired Training & Education Manager (30 years in Silicon Valley), US Air Force Veteran. Joined Project Astro as part of the initial group of Amateur Astronomer / Teachers (Bringing Astronomy to K-12 schools). Lifelong interest in all things Space Oriented.

American Traitors

Wednesday | 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Christy Wolf

A background investigation and a top secret clearance does not constitute fidelity to the United States. Meet several Americans who chose to "sell out", whether for money or ideology to other governments, causing the loss of American lives and our nation's security. You, as the taxpayer, bear the expense to recreate new methods and technology to re-establish our nation's protection. Learn the choices these individuals made and what has been done to try to prevent its reoccurrence .

Christy began her federal career as a Special Agent with the US Department of State, Office of Security. She joined the Central Intelligence Agency and eventually became an Operations Officer with a specialty in Counterintelligence. Completing a war zone tour in Afghanistan and a tour in Africa, she retired in 2016, receiving the Career Commendation Medal.

Thursday Morning

Worldwide Travel

Thursday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am 

Multiple Instructors

Come on a journey with Senior University this winter as we travel all over the world. We have your six weeks travel itinerary ready to go.

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Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021-Africa. Tom Mulhearn will tell about his work in Africa with voluntary organizations: Catholic Relief Services and World Vision. They are helping to promote literacy, better health conditions and economic independence. He will introduce us to the environs and the culture of the people in Kenya, Sudan and Ethiopia.

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021-Continental Divide USA. Robert and Karen Kooker hiked 1200 miles on one of the 8 national scenic trails. They will share their experience in small towns and on the wilderness trail from the Chihuahuan Desert in Mexico to Wyoming, Idaho and Montana.

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021-Germany and Austria. Andy and Michelle Goedel introduce us to the Rhein River and its many castles, Munich and the Romantic Road. In Austria we will visit Salzburg, the notorious Mauthausen concentration camp, Vienna, and the Traunsee.

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021-Spain. We will join Irene Keaton on a 500 mile hike on the Pilgrimage of the Way of St. James. Starting in France we see medieval towns, Roman bridges, farms, forests and vineyards. In cities such as Pamplona, Leon and Burgos we visit gothic churches, castles and famous buildings before arriving at Santiago de Compostla, Spain.

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Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2021- South Pacific Islands. Paul and Sue Olmsted share their experience in working and living in southern Russia, Moscow, and tropical Siberia. He cites the contrast in the cultures of east and west which the typical tourist would not be exposed to.

Classes on-demand



Many of our classes will available for on-demand viewing at your convenience through our YouTube channel. Only members who are registered for the Winter semester will get access to on-demand classes. A link will be provide to all registrants to view the on-demand classes. On-demand classes will be available until February 28, 2021.

Be “In the Know” Senior non-Profit Resources in Georgetown, TX

Thursday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am 

Multiple Instructors

We are enjoying this wonderful time in our lives but as we age things can happen that we didn't anticipate and they happen quickly. This class will be a review of the wealth of senior resources available in this area. Each week one of six non-profit representatives will share information about their respective organizations. Informed with these facts you can assist your family as well as your neighbors and friends.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—*Adult Protective Services*, by Martha Guerrero

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—*Alzheimers Reminiscence Program – The Power of Music*, by Jim Kenton

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—*Opportunities for Williamson / Burnet Counties*, by Lauren McAndrews

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—*Area Agency on Aging*, by Rhonda Thompson

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—*Faith In Action*, by Vickie Orcuff

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020—*Aging In Place*, by Virginia Lazenby

Birds in Your Backyard..and beyond

Thursday | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm 

Martin Byhower

What are the birds you see in your backyard? What should you feed them (and NOT feed) them, how can you attract them, and how can you encourage them to nest in your yard? And what birds can you see when you venture to local parks, nature trails and other nearby habitats? What are some tips for identifying these birds and recording your data using field guides and/or smartphone apps and online resources? Martin will discuss all of these questions and more in a series of 5 presentations, including slides, videos, and discussion.

Martin Byhower, a certified Master Naturalist, holds degrees in Geology and Aquatic Biology from UC Santa Barbara. He has spent more than 30 years teaching marine biology and environmental education. His current interests focus on wildlife conservation, invasive species impact, habitat restoration, and refining skills in recognition of native flora and fauna.

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Local and Historic Texas

Thursday | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm 

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Senior University brings you a wide variety of rich and traditional Texas history, in a brief six week class. A potpourri of both well-known and perhaps little-known topics will both educate and intrigue you with a wealth of Texas' unique history. From a home built in 1855 and today serving as a museum, to early newspapers in the Republic of Texas, and on to the infamous Texas Rodeo Legend Bill Pickett, enjoy this unique 6-week class and become more knowledgeable of some Texas history right outside your door.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—*First Encounters: When the Conquistadors Met the Karankawa*, by Robin Davis (Bullock Museum) .

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—*“Spoke to Hub: The Neill-Cochran House Museum and the Changing Face of Austin”*, by Rowena H. Dasch, PhD

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—*“Poppies and Progress: Williamson County in WWI”*, by Ann Evans, Research Librarian, Georgetown Library

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—*“Too Much Ain't Enough: A Brief History of Texas Music”*, Jason Mellard, PhD, Tx St Univ, San Marcos

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—*“The First Editorial Killing in Texas”*, by Gary B. Borders, author

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020—*“The life of ‘Bulldogger’ Bill Pickett, the ‘Dusky Demon’*, by Gerald Anderson, great nephew of Pickett



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GEORGETOWN

China Today

Thursday | 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Li-hua Yu

Senior University presents six topics to help students understand contemporary Chinese social, political, and economic systems, based on how modern China has evolved from a backward country to become the second economic power in the world. Some of China's controversial future issues will also be discussed.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—Introduction to China, basic information and facts

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—A look at major Chinese cities to understand some specific detailed facts about China

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—How the Chinese Communist Party came to power

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—The principles of governing by the CCP in China today, and how the people react to this powerful government

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—China's economic power, and how it has been achieved

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020— Will Biden's administration have a better relationship with China?

Dr. Li-hua Yu, Professor Emeritus, taught Sociology and the History of Chinese Culture and Society for 25 years at the College of Lake County in Illinois. Born and raised in China she experienced the most turbulent changes in China in the 1950s, 60s, and 70s until she came to America for graduate study in 1984.

Friday Morning

Welcome BACH

Friday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am



Barry Williamson

Led by Dr. Barry Scott Williamson, Artistic Director of the Texas Bach Festival, this course will review the life and work of one of history's most extraordinary composers, Johann Sebastian Bach. We will cover the period of his life, from his birth in 1685 to his death in 1750, and his incredible compositional output, focusing on his cantatas, oratorios and concertos, with additional insights offered through Dr. Williamson's work with TBF's weekly "Bach to the Future" radio show and the 2021 Texas Bach Festival.

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Barry Scott Williamson, Founder and Artistic Director of the Texas Bach Festival, has a lengthy and revered international history of conducting innovation and accomplishment. Dr. Williamson worked with renowned Bach scholar/conductor Helmuth Rilling summers 1988-1990 at the Oregon Bach Festival, conducting several Bach and Mozart works, and was subsequently invited to compete at the 1991 European Music Festival in Stuttgart, where he finished as one of three finalist winners out of 63 conductors.

Women Who Changed the World

Friday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Sam Smith

Six stories of women who made contributions that changed the direction of history during their lives. These contributions represent various disciplines.

Smith's career in battery technology, involved establishing a battery factory in San Marcos, TX. Served as VP-technology, and financial adviser at Morgan Stanley & UBS. Served in the US Air Force in Asia & Europe. Holds degrees in engineering from U of Okla, and U of SoCal. Smith is an avid book collector.

Saturday

Russians in the Movies

Saturday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Anthony Triola

We will review how Hollywood depicted the USSR in movies, from the 1960's to Present Day. Each class will take a genre of movie and assess reality vs artistic license, from mannerisms to costumes, to the spoken language (which is often very bad). We will look at the historical vs the hysterical!

Chief Warrant Officer Four (CW4) Anthony Triola retired on January 31, 2014, after serving 25 years on active duty. Anthony enlisted in the US Air Force in 1989 as an intelligence operations analyst. Following the attacks of September 11, 2001, Anthony applied to the US Army Warrant Officer School and served as an intelligence officer.

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John Jenkinson

Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. Any and all of these basic human rights can be taken away by our current cyber environments. This course will provide practical examples and how-to's to help protect our wealth and loved ones from the ever-evolving cyber environments. Cyber space is becoming more real than real, actions leave a digital trail, breach incidents make the evening news. Use this course to become *more aware, be better prepared, and increase understanding.*

John Jenkinson started hacking computers in 1962 and has been involved with computers and security since. As a cyber engineer with major oil companies, John has seen an ever-evolving level of attacks against our national infrastructure. John holds degrees in Physics, Mathematics, and Computer Science.

Wednesday Morning

Great Decisions 2020

Wednesday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am



Jay Pierson

This class is patterned after Great Decisions 2020, by the Foreign Policy Association. The instructor will post information on the Senior University web-site prior to every class. Some preparation will aid in the open discussions.

Week 1: Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021-Climate Change and the Global Order

Week 2: Wednesday, Feb 3, 2021-Red Sea Security

Week 3: Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021-Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

Week 4: Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021-U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle

Week 5: Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021-China's Road into Latin America

Week 6: Wednesday, Mar. 3, 2021-Artificial Intelligence and Data.

Jay Pierson received his BA from Park University, Parkville, MO

and his MA from the University of Northern Colorado. He is a 23-year veteran of the United States Air Force where he was an instructor for 18 of those years. Since his Air Force retirement, he has been a teacher and an administrator at both the high school and college level for more than 25 years and has been is a regular presenter with Senior University.

Family Issues. Managing long-term care

Wednesday | 9:00 am 10:00 am 

Steve Gonzales

his class will help families identify resources and options to effectively plan for, navigate and manage caregiving situations for the best possible outcomes, achieving the highest possible level and quality of care, while minimizing stress and limiting negative impacts on the person needing care and the people who love them. We will discuss the physical, emotional, spiritual, and financial aspects of caregiving and present resources and solutions to help mitigate the negative impacts on family. We'll also talk about Housing, Insurance Benefits and government benefits including the often-overlooked benefits available for Veterans and surviving spouses.

Steve is a Certified Long Term Care Life and Health Insurance Counselor Risk Manager Point of Need Care Funding Specialist

Introduction to Genealogy Research

Wednesday | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm 

Ken Pinter

If you believe that it is important to know something about your family roots, this course will introduce you to the tools and techniques needed to begin your genealogical research journey. You will find out what it takes to be a researcher. You will hear ideas about how to plan and implement your research and where to find information. You will then learn about ways to organize and document your findings, create tree diagrams, and ultimately pass this heritage on to others. Finally, you will see demos of the various free and for-fee online and offline data resources available to you.

Ken has spent 18 years doing in-depth family history research. He has researched numerous immediate and allied families resulting in a large family tree, an extensive picture library, and a web site with his many writings about those families. In his career he was a corporate technical instructor and manager.

[SPECIAL NOTE: This Course is 90 minutes.]

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Mars II. A Tale of Two Planets

Wednesday | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Hank Haliasz

This class presents excerpts from Hank's upcoming new book (same title), and is a sequel to his 2019 course and book, "Martian Year 500 – The Second Beginning." An ancient bacterium has reached Mars from the recently-destroyed planet Earth, and poses new problems for the Martians, who are in the process of preparing to terraform Mars. See how life on Earth may have really begun, and learn how the remaking of the current nature of Mars back to an Earth-like nature is planned. Will it work, how long will it take, and how might the newly-arrived life-form impact the planet?

Hank served in the Air Force retiring in 1984. He was the Mission Director for orbital operations of a Department of Defense satellite program and with NASA's Space Shuttle program. Hank chaired the Sun City Astronomy Group for ten years and has been an instructor for Senior University since 2004. This class is 90 minutes in length

Wednesday Afternoons

Teachable Moments: Jesus' Parables-Part II

Wednesday | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Matthew Laurents

In this course, Matthew Daude Laurents, Ph.D., analyzes Jesus' parables in the synoptic gospels and discusses the challenges of translation-as-interpretation. The exploration includes a discussion of the meaning, structure, and historical context of the parables through a close reading of the Greek text. Matthew will provide all the Greek you need! Matthew also examines Jesus' teaching "style" as a critical element of the impact of the parables on his audience as well as contemporary readers. This is Part-2, following the 2020 Fall Semester class.

Matthew Laurents, Ph.D., served as Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Austin CC. Currently serves as Dean of Liberal Arts, Humanities and Communications. Matthew is a philosophical counselor, serving individual, group, and organizational needs. Matthew leads a variety of workshops, from the application of philosophical reasoning skills to challenges in organizational dynamics, with mini-courses on Aristotle, Kant, and Nietzsche.

Man. Moon. Decade. Future

Wednesday | 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm 

Richard Wagoner

This course will examine the history of America's Space Program. New information about the birth of the program has come to light as well as operational details of missions, research and the program's ultimate goals. The first 5 classes will examine a different era or program (Mercury, Gemini and Apollo). Questions from the early years of the program will also be discussed, e.g., Instead of the first satellite being the Russian, Sputnik, what could the U.S.

Retired Training & Education Manager (30 years in Silicon Valley), US Air Force Veteran. Joined Project Astro as part of the initial group of Amateur Astronomer / Teachers (Bringing Astronomy to K-12 schools). Lifelong interest in all things Space Oriented.

American Traitors

Wednesday | 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Christy Wolf

A background investigation and a top secret clearance does not constitute fidelity to the United States. Meet several Americans who chose to "sell out", whether for money or ideology to other governments, causing the loss of American lives and our nation's security. You, as the taxpayer, bear the expense to recreate new methods and technology to re-establish our nation's protection. Learn the choices these individuals made and what has been done to try to prevent its reoccurrence .

Christy began her federal career as a Special Agent with the US Department of State, Office of Security. She joined the Central Intelligence Agency and eventually became an Operations Officer with a specialty in Counterintelligence. Completing a war zone tour in Afghanistan and a tour in Africa, she retired in 2016, receiving the Career Commendation Medal.

Thursday Morning

Worldwide Travel

Thursday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am 

Multiple Instructors

Come on a journey with Senior University this winter as we travel all over the world. We have your six weeks travel itinerary ready to go.

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Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021-Africa. Tom Mulhearn will tell about his work in Africa with voluntary organizations: Catholic Relief Services and World Vision. They are helping to promote literacy, better health conditions and economic independence. He will introduce us to the environs and the culture of the people in Kenya, Sudan and Ethiopia.

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021-Continental Divide USA. Robert and Karen Kooken hiked 1200 miles on one of the 8 national scenic trails. They will share their experience in small towns and on the wilderness trail from the Chihuahuan Desert in Mexico to Wyoming, Idaho and Montana.

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021-Germany and Austria. Andy and Michelle Goerdel introduce us to the Rhein River and its many castles, Munich and the Romantic Road. In Austria we will visit Salzburg, the notorious Mauthausen concentration camp, Vienna, and the Traunsee.

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021-Spain. We will join Irene Keaton on a 500 mile hike on the Pilgrimage of the Way of St. James. Starting in France we see medieval towns, Roman bridges, farms, forests and vineyards. In cities such as Pamplona, Leon and Burgos we visit gothic churches, castles and famous buildings before arriving at Santiago de Compostla, Spain.

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021-CENTRAL AMERICA. We will join Irene Keaton on a 500 mile hike on the Pilgrimage of the Way of St. James. Starting in France we see medieval towns, Roman bridges, farms, forests and vineyards. In cities such as Pamplona, Leon and Burgos we visit gothic churches, castles and famous buildings before arriving at Santiago de Compostla, Spain.

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2021- South Pacific Islands. Paul and Sue Olmsted share their experience in working and living in southern Russia, Moscow, and tropical Siberia. He cites the contrast in the cultures of east and west which the typical tourist would not be exposed to.

Classes on-demand



Many of our classes will available for on-demand viewing at your convenience through our YouTube channel. Only members who are registered for the Winter semester will get access to on-demand classes. A link will be provide to all registrants to view the on-demand classes. On-demand classes will be available until February 28, 2021.

Be “In the Know” Senior non-Profit Resources in Georgetown, TX

Thursday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am 

Multiple Instructors

We are enjoying this wonderful time in our lives but as we age things can happen that we didn't anticipate and they happen quickly. This class will be a review of the wealth of senior resources available in this area. Each week one of six non-profit representatives will share information about their respective organizations. Informed with these facts you can assist your family as well as your neighbors and friends.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—*Adult Protective Services*, by Martha Guerrero

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—*Alzheimers Reminiscence Program – The Power of Music*, by Jim Kenton

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—*Opportunities for Williamson / Burnet Counties*, by Lauren McAndrews

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—*Area Agency on Aging*, by Rhonda Thompson

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—*Faith In Action*, by Vickie Orcuff

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020—*Aging In Place*, by Virginia Lazenby

Birds in Your Backyard..and beyond

Thursday | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm 

Martin Byhower

What are the birds you see in your backyard? What should you feed them (and NOT feed) them, how can you attract them, and how can you encourage them to nest in your yard? And what birds can you see when you venture to local parks, nature trails and other nearby habitats? What are some tips for identifying these birds and recording your data using field guides and/or smartphone apps and online resources? Martin will discuss all of these questions and more in a series of 5 presentations, including slides, videos, and discussion.

Martin Byhower, a certified Master Naturalist, holds degrees in Geology and Aquatic Biology from UC Santa Barbara. He has spent more than 30 years teaching marine biology and environmental education. His current interests focus on wildlife conservation, invasive species impact, habitat restoration, and refining skills in recognition of native flora and fauna.

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Thursday Afternoon

Local and Historic Texas

Thursday | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm 

Multiple Instructors

Senior University brings you a wide variety of rich and traditional Texas history, in a brief six week class. A potpourri of both well-known and perhaps little-known topics will both educate and intrigue you with a wealth of Texas' unique history. From a home built in 1855 and today serving as a museum, to early newspapers in the Republic of Texas, and on to the infamous Texas Rodeo Legend Bill Pickett, enjoy this unique 6-week class and become more knowledgeable of some Texas history right outside your door.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—*First Encounters: When the Conquistadors Met the Karankawa*, by Robin Davis (Bullock Museum) .

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—*“Spoke to Hub: The Neill-Cochran House Museum and the Changing Face of Austin”*, by Rowena H. Dasch, PhD

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—*“Poppies and Progress: Williamson County in WWI”*, by Ann Evans, Research Librarian, Georgetown Library

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—*“Too Much Ain't Enough: A Brief History of Texas Music”*, Jason Mellard, PhD, Tx St Univ, San Marcos

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—*“The First Editorial Killing in Texas”*, by Gary B. Borders, author

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020—*“The life of ‘Bulldogger’ Bill Pickett, the ‘Dusky Demon’*, by Gerald Anderson, great nephew of Pickett



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China Today

Thursday | 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Li-hua Yu

Senior University presents six topics to help students understand contemporary Chinese social, political, and economic systems, based on how modern China has evolved from a backward country to become the second economic power in the world. Some of China's controversial future issues will also be discussed.

Week 1: Thursday, Jan 28, 2021—Introduction to China, basic information and facts

Week 2: Thursday, Feb 4, 2021—A look at major Chinese cities to understand some specific detailed facts about China

Week 3: Thursday, Feb 11, 2021—How the Chinese Communist Party came to power

Week 4: Thursday, Feb 18, 2021—The principles of governing by the CCP in China today, and how the people react to this powerful government

Week 5: Thursday, Feb 25, 2021—China's economic power, and how it has been achieved

Week 6: Thursday, Mar 4, 2020— Will Biden's administration have a better relationship with China?

Dr. Li-hua Yu, Professor Emeritus, taught Sociology and the History of Chinese Culture and Society for 25 years at the College of Lake County in Illinois. Born and raised in China she experienced the most turbulent changes in China in the 1950s, 60s, and 70s until she came to America for graduate study in 1984.

Friday Morning

Welcome BACH

Friday | 9:00 am - 10:00 am



Barry Williamson

Led by Dr. Barry Scott Williamson, Artistic Director of the Texas Bach Festival, this course will review the life and work of one of history's most extraordinary composers, Johann Sebastian Bach. We will cover the period of his life, from his birth in 1685 to his death in 1750, and his incredible compositional output, focusing on his cantatas, oratorios and concertos, with additional insights offered through Dr. Williamson's work with TBF's weekly "Bach to the Future" radio show and the 2021 Texas Bach Festival.

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Barry Scott Williamson, Founder and Artistic Director of the Texas Bach Festival, has a lengthy and revered international history of conducting innovation and accomplishment. Dr. Williamson worked with renowned Bach scholar/conductor Helmuth Rilling summers 1988-1990 at the Oregon Bach Festival, conducting several Bach and Mozart works, and was subsequently invited to compete at the 1991 European Music Festival in Stuttgart, where he finished as one of three finalist winners out of 63 conductors.

Women Who Changed the World

Friday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Sam Smith

Six stories of women who made contributions that changed the direction of history during their lives. These contributions represent various disciplines.

Smith's career in battery technology, involved establishing a battery factory in San Marcos, TX. Served as VP-technology, and financial adviser at Morgan Stanley & UBS. Served in the US Air Force in Asia & Europe. Holds degrees in engineering from U of Okla, and U of SoCal. Smith is an avid book collector.

Saturday

Russians in the Movies

Saturday | 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Anthony Triola

We will review how Hollywood depicted the USSR in movies, from the 1960's to Present Day. Each class will take a genre of movie and assess reality vs artistic license, from mannerisms to costumes, to the spoken language (which is often very bad). We will look at the historical vs the hysterical!

Chief Warrant Officer Four (CW4) Anthony Triola retired on January 31, 2014, after serving 25 years on active duty. Anthony enlisted in the US Air Force in 1989 as an intelligence operations analyst. Following the attacks of September 11, 2001, Anthony applied to the US Army Warrant Officer School and served as an intelligence officer.

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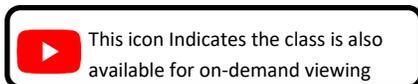
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9:00 am __The Archaeology of Texas & the Southwest	9:00 am __Growing Brain Cells Through Mindfulness __Intermediate Spanish I	9:00 am __Great Decisions 2020 __Family Issues. Managing long term care	9:00 am __Worldwide Travel	9:00 am __Welcome BACH	
10:30 am __Intermediate Spanish I __Information/disinformation in the digital age	10:30 am __Central Tx Lawn & Garden __7 Habits of highly effective Seniors	10:30 am __Intro to Genealogy Research __Mars II: Tale of 2 planets	10:30 am __Be "In the Know" __Birds in Your Backyard	10:30 am __Women Who Changed the World	10:30 am __Russians in the Movies
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FAQs about our online lectures

Do I have to be a member of Senior University to take classes?

Yes, registration for Senior University Georgetown requires a current \$50.00 membership for EACH participant. If you are not a current member, you must be age 50 or older and you must include your \$50.00 annual dues; this will cover a 12-month period beginning with the receipt of your dues payment. For more information please call our office at 512-819-7680.

How many classes can I take and do I pay for each online class?

You do not pay per-class, you pay for the Winter Term. You can take one course in each time slot for the \$70.00 non-refundable term fee. This is a tremendous benefit to you because it enables you to participate in up to 22 live classes during the Winter term, almost twice the amount from our previous terms. ONLY select the classes you plan on attending live.

Are on-demand classes available for anyone?

You MUST be enrolled in our Winter term to get FREE access to the Winter term recorded classes. Most classes will be available to watch on-demand from our YouTube website. Only check the courses on the registration form that you plan on attending while the class is live. DO NOT select course if you plan to watch as an on-demand class, as this will prevent others from attending the class live.

How do I access the live online classes and on-demand classes?

You will receive an email with instructions on how to access the virtual classroom. You should receive this link about 2-3 weeks prior to the start of the semester. Senior University will provide a link to view the on-demand classes.

How do you decide which students get into the classes and how will I know if I am enrolled?

Early enrollees will be scheduled first. Most of our courses are restricted to 100 people and some have a small, limited enrollment and will fill rather quickly. You will be notified if the course you have selected is full and you can make another choice (you can still view it as an on-demand class).

Is participating in the live online classes difficult?

Senior University uses Google Meet and Zoom for our classes. You do not need special software or password. Training is available. You can participate with a laptop, desktop, smartphone, and iPad.

I want to attend a class that will be recorded, but don't want to be part of the recorded sessions

Recording our classes allows those who are attending the Winter lectures to watch all of the classes offered on demand. Members who do not wish to be recorded can mute their video camera, microphone and refrain from chatting. Classes that have the  icon will be recorded.

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