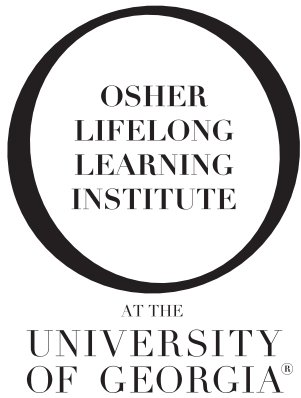




Welcome!

New Member Materials 2025



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We are pleased that you've decided to join our dynamic learning and social community and believe that you will find it greatly rewarding.

By this time, you should have received some initial welcome emails with important information about new member orientations and how to sign up for OLLI COMM, our primary member communications tool. Please contact the OLLI office if you haven't received them.

This information packet will help you continue on your path to experiencing everything that OLLI@UGA has to offer.

Included in the Packet:

- List of Committees and Shared Interest Groups (SIGs). Joining one or more is an easy way to further your individual interests and talents, and connect on a small group level.
- Guidelines for registering for OLLI classes, events and trips, plus links to our how-to tutorials.
- Contact and location information for the OLLI office and a list of our vital community sponsors.

Here are comments from a few OLLI members:

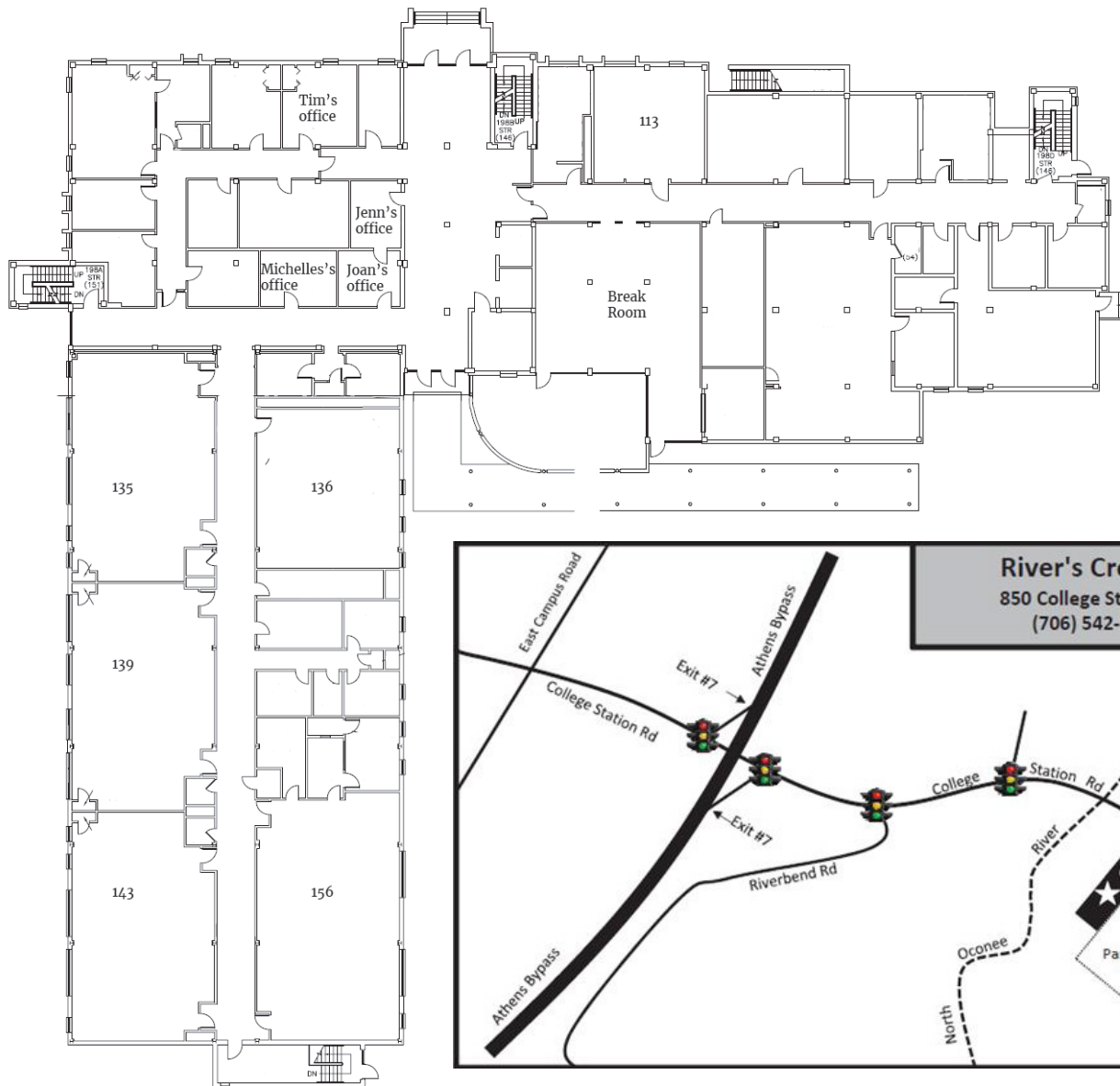
"OLLI@UGA provided us with an easy way to make new friends and feel part of the Athens community when we first moved here."

"OLLI@UGA has given me an opportunity to attend interesting classes and participate in social activities."

"Participating in and helping with OLLI Shared Interest Groups (SIGs) has been an enjoyable way to gain a better understanding of all kinds of topics and make lots of friends."

OLLI@UGA Athens Campus

Most of our in-person classes take place at River's Crossing at 850 College Station Road, Athens, GA 30602.



Parking at River's Crossing

You will need to pay to park at River's Crossing between 8:00AM and 4:30PM. Parking Passes for the Academic Year (through July 31, 2026) are available for purchase online. We recommend purchasing your parking tag ahead of your first class.

If you do not wish to have an OLLI parking tag, please use the ParkMobile service provided by the University of Georgia, which is used across campus and around town.

Off Site Classes

Classes can be Off-Site around the Athens area. You will be given instructions on how to access each class with your receipt and in the class reminder that will go out a couple of days before the start of class.

OLLI@UGA Gwinnett Campus

Some of our classes are in-person at the UGA Gwinnett Campus. These classes are open to everyone, whether you live in Gwinnett or closer to Athens.

The UGA Gwinnett Campus is located at: 2530 Sever Rd NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Parking at the UGA Gwinnett Campus is free

OLLI@UGA Staff and Contact

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OLLI@UGA

Steering Committee & Advisory Council

OLLI@UGA Steering Committee

Monthly (3rd Monday, 1:00–2:30PM)
Chair, Co-chair, Finance Committee Chair

OLLI@UGA Advisory Council

Quarterly (4th Monday of August, November, February and May)
Co-Chairs: Carol Coman, Greg Mitsoff
Steering Committee, Committee Chairs, 3 at large members.

Committees

Share your time and talents as a member of one or more standing or ad hoc committees. To join, please visit OLLI COMM, select SIGs/Committees from the left-hand menu. Scroll through the options, then click the 'request to join' button on the committee you'd like to join.

Curriculum

Creating great classes for great people
Monthly (2nd Wednesday, 12:00–1:30PM)
Chair: Lisa Myers

Finance

Monitoring our financial health
Monthly (2nd Monday, 2:00–3:00PM)
Chair: Angela Greene

Hospitality

Facilitating our Social Activities
Monthly (2nd Monday, 10:30–11:45AM)
Chair: Carolyn Schneider, Debra Plunkett,
Jeanette McInerney

Marketing/ Communications

Spreading the word about OLLI@UGA
Monthly (2nd Wednesday, 2:00–3:00PM)
Chair: Patricia Dixen

Membership

Recruiting, retaining, and engaging our members
Monthly (1st Thursday, 1:00–2:15PM)
Chair: Joesi Pascual

Travel Study

Planning regional/domestic/international trips
Monthly (2nd Wednesday, 2:00–3:30PM)
Chair: Susan Carley

Examples of job descriptions for each committee can be found on the website (olli.uga.edu/volunteer) or ask at the New Member Orientation.

Ad Hoc Committees

Some of our Committees meet to solve problems and assist the organization on an ad-hoc basis. These can be please email the Executive Director, Tim Meehan (timothy.meehan@uga.edu) who will be able to put you in touch with the appropriate volunteer.

Shared Interest Groups



Aging Well

Keep going, Keep Growing



AroundAthens

Join us for local music, sports, and other events that are free or offered at a discounted cost



Arts & Crafts

Meetings alternate between learning crafts and visiting art museums and galleries



Book Discussion

Join us monthly for a deeper dive into literature.



Cinema @ Cine

Enjoy and discuss films at the unique Cine



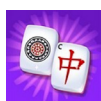
Cynic Clinic

Join us for deep discussions of things that matter



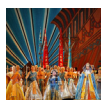
DNA for Genealogy

Find your ancestors!



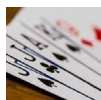
Dots and Dragons (American Mah Jongg)

We play as announced at 176 Falling Shoals Driver. Come join us!



Enjoy Opera in Athens

Enjoy opera, learn about opera, support UGA opera Theatre productions.



Euchre

Play every week at Authentic Brewing



Flash Mob Coffee

Join us the 1st and 3rd Saturdays for camaraderie and fun over coffee



Garden Enthusiasts

Come grow with us



Get on Board!

BYOB (Bring your own Board Game) to River's Crossing - 3rd Monday of the month



Hablemos Espanol

We speak conversational Spanish at 1pm every 2nd & 4th Friday at the Oconee County Library



Happy Hikers

Hike Northern GA with OLLI@UGA

Shared Interest Groups



Lunch Bunch

Come and socialize and enjoy wonderful food at locally-owned Greather Athens/ Watkinsville Restaurants



OLLI Walks

Explore Athens and improve your health while getting to know other members of OLLI@UGA



Men's Round Table

Building friendships, exploring topics of concern, and sharing ideas to maximize joy in retirement



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Pinochle Posse

For OLLI members who once played, now play, or want to learn to play Pinochle



Poetry Writing (aka Wednesday Poets)



Poker



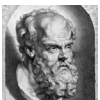
R.O.M.E.O.

Come join us for lunch on the first Tuesday of each month!



SDC4L - Swedish Death Cleaning for Life

Embracing the gentle art of Swedish death cleaning to reduce the clutter and make space for life.



Socrates Cafe

Lively wide-ranging discussions in an open atmosphere at 4:30pm on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays



SoloSeniors

Network with singles at dinner the 1st Thursday of the month and at online meetings other Thursdays.



Splashdown (Paddling)

All Kayakers, Canoeists, Paddleboarders welcome. Happiness begins on the water.



Sprechen Sie Deutsch

Speaking conversational German with one another.



Supper Club

Enjoy brunch, lunch or dinner with a Supper Club group in their homes or at a local restaurant



Writing Memoir

Class and Event Registration

The online class and event registration site is used to:

- Register or renew your OLLI membership
- Register for available classes, luncheons, travel, and social events
- Register for a Parking Pass for River's Crossing
- Pay your account balance

[How to Register Video](#)

Signing in:

- Go to the olli.uga.edu website.
- Click the **"Members Login"** button in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.
- Select the button that says **"Registration Log In"** for Membership, Classes, Luncheons, Travel, Social Events. You will be taken to the registration Sign-in page.
- As a current member, enter the name and password you used to create your account under Sign In to Existing Account. Then click **"Sign In."**
- If you have forgotten your username or password, use the links provided under the "Sign in Button"

Viewing and registering for classes, trips, and social events:

- Select the type of activity (Classes, Social Events, Travel) you wish to view.
- Browse through the selections by clicking on a category or alphabetical grouping.
- NOTE: Until registration opens for a particular activity or event, you may only preview it
- Once you find the activity for which you wish to register, click the **"Add to Cart"** button.
- A cart will pop out from the side - close the cart to continue shopping.

Items disappearing from your cart?

If you are trying to add an item to your cart and it keeps disappearing at checkout, you may already be registered for that item.

- Select the "My Account" link on the menu on the right hand side.
- Select the "Make a Payment" option at the bottom of the list.
- You should see any outstanding orders for you to pay.

Checking out:

- When you have registered for as many activities and events as you wish, click the shopping cart, then follow instructions for payment and processing. You will receive a confirmation email upon completion of your order.

If you are using a public computer, please log out to keep your account secure.

Getting Started with OLLI COMM

The OLLI Communications (OLLI COMM) site is used to:

- Join SIGs
- Join committees
- Use private chat to communicate with any other member on OLLI COMM.

However, if you don't receive an invite, or have been a member for a while and want to get online, follow the steps below.

How to set up your OLLI COMM account.

Follow these three easy steps:

Step 1:

- Visit the OLLI COMM landing page at olli-uga.mn.co.
- Click Request to Join – either in the upper right corner or just below the middle of the screen.

Step 2:

- Enter your first and last names, your email address, and a password 6 or more characters long, using a mix of capital and lowercase letters, numbers or special symbols.
- Be sure to record your password before you proceed.
- Then click Create Account.
- You can click Add Profile Photo now, or click Skip and view our just-in-time video to add your profile photo later.
- Next, tell us how you heard about OLLI@ UGA. Then click Submit Answers.

Your request to join is now pending approval.

Step 3:

- Look for an email approving your request to join (you should receive it within a couple of business days).
- Open the email message and click Get Started to go to the landing page.
- Click Sign In in the upper right corner, then enter the username and password you used to create your account. You can sign in on the landing page any time – just visit olli-uga.mn.co.
- Once you've signed in, be sure to bookmark the site for easy one-click access in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at olli@uga.edu or 706-542-7715.

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