

OLLI COURSE SPOTLIGHT

HOW DRUGS ARE DISCOVERED

The class begins on Thursday, Oct 8, at 4pm, 4 Sessions, \$40

The evolution of drug discovery will be discussed beginning with the limited knowledge in ancient times to today where advances in chemistry, biology, and biotechnology provide new and ever evolving advances. Topics discussed will include the discovery of anesthetics and antibiotics, finding and validating new drug targets, finding and optimizing potential new drug molecules. Deeper discussions will include developing structure-activity relationships, computer-assisted drug design, and the various roles in drug discovery.



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URI COVID PANEL DISCUSSIONS

The University of Rhode Island Academic Health Collaborative and Interprofessional Education and Practice Initiative will host two more online panel discussions to address the challenges healthcare workers face and the lessons being learned during the fight against the coronavirus pandemic. URI faculty members, alumni and community leaders will share their personal experiences and discuss how interprofessional healthcare teams can have lasting impacts on individual and community health during a global crisis.

October 7: Generational Divide: How COVID has affected older adults Faculty, alumni and older Rhode Islanders discuss what COVID has meant to older people in the community and in long-term care facilities.

October 14: (in)Justice for All Faculty members, health care workers and civic leaders discuss the health disparities in society, which are exacerbated by the pandemic.

The socially distanced panel discussions will be streamed via Zoom, are free of charge and available to all members of the campus community and the public. Log onto <https://cutt.ly/COVIDpanels> to register.



TUE, OCT 6 AT 7 PM EDT

Webinar - Practical Backyard Composting: Turning Waste into Want

Learn how to turn your food scraps and yard debris into a valuable soil amendment for your landscape with a little sun, water and love. Food safety considerations will be discussed as well as tips for including the entire family in your composting endeavor!

Sejal Lanterman has been a Cooperative Extension Educator for over 12 years, teaching science-based composting fundamentals, food preservation and food safety for gardeners and farmers, and more. Sejal was also the host of the popular NBC10 Plant Pro segment for 10 years. Register for this free workshop by clicking the following link: <https://univofri.webex.com/univofri/onstage/g.php...>

The registration button will be located on the left-side of the page.

CLASSES STARTING NEXT WEEK:

There's still time to register for these classes coming up next week!

Cut off date for registering is 24 hours before the class begins.

Monday

9:30am The Photography of Dorothea Lange

Thursday

4:00pm How Drugs are Discovered

Friday

9:30am Short Story Writing

Log on to your account to register: <https://uriolli.augusoft.net/>

Have you thought about teaching an OLLI course?

We encourage you to consider the valuable contribution you can make outside of your role as a student. We invite you to share your knowledge, passions, and interests with other OLLI students by teaching a course for us! If you have questions regarding a topic or format, please contact Operations Manager, Beth Desrosiers, directly at 874-4197 or email beth_desrosiers@uri.edu

Spring proposals are due October 16.

Click here to fill out a course proposal.

<https://web.uri.edu/olli/course-proposal/>

BOOK GROUP UPDATE:

Time to get together for OLLI's Book Group! If you are interested in being part of the group, please email Beth Leconte.

Want to see what's happening at the University? There are lots of free webinars listed. Visit <https://events.uri.edu/>



Did you take a class you liked or didn't like? We want to hear about your online learning experience. Complete a survey by clicking here: [OLLI SURVEY](#)

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