Single Classes

**The Daily Life of a General Surgeon**
Topics include robotic surgery, the growing list of outpatient surgical procedures, sympathy and empathy, Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans, and business aspects of medical practice, with lots of time for questions and open discussion. Thursday, March 5, 1:15 - 2:45
Peter Jarvis retired general surgeon

**Hearing in Noise**
Communicating in noisy environments is universally difficult, although some listeners fare better than others. This class highlights recent scientific discoveries relating to hearing in noisy environments, including strategies for improving hearing acuity. Wednesday, March 13, 1:15 - 2:45
Erika Skoe, Assistant Professor, Dept of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, UConn

**The Food Waste Epidemic**
One of the greatest challenges facing the world will be how to feed Earth’s anticipated 9 billion people in 2050. Reducing the level of waste (40% of U.S. food production) is one way to help accomplish this. This talk focuses on the environmental impacts of food waste and the global/national perspective. Thursday, March 14, 1:15 - 2:45
Cameron Faustman, Interim Dean, UConn College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources

**What Acupuncture Can Do for You**
Struggling with a medical condition? Tired of being on medications? Ever wondered about acupuncture? Learn how acupuncture treats a variety of ailments, such as nerve issues, anxiety, digestion, stress, hormones, infertility, pain, sinus, even weight loss, to name a few. Tuesday, March 19, 1:15 - 2:45
Nicole Smith, L.Ac., of the Pampered Porcupine Acupuncture, Scotland, CT

**An Overview of Hearing Loss**
This talk discusses communication strategies and available technologies helpful for people with hearing loss. Thursday, March 21, 1:15 - 2:45
Randy Kirsch, Moderator, Hearing Loss Association, Eastern CT Chapter

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**2019 Winter Session Schedule**

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**Lifelong Learning:**

**CLIR**
In collaboration with UConn Extension

CLIR’s purpose is to provide intellectual stimulus for adults from all walks of life through informal classes and discussions. There are no academic or age requirements. Come join us in the Vernon Cottage on UConn’s Depot Campus, with free parking and access for the mobility-impaired. (GPS address: Wityroy Place, Storrs, CT 06269)

In case of bad weather, CLIR follows the Mansfield Public Schools policy, announced on local radio and TV stations. If they cancel, we cancel; if they have late opening, we cancel morning class; if they have early closing, we cancel afternoon class. If in doubt, contact Mansfield Community Center at 860-429-3015 or the UConn information line at 860-486-3768.

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**Memoir Club**
Members are encouraged to write memoirs to share in class. New members are welcome. Thursdays, January 3 to March 28 - 10:15 - 11:45
Facilitators: Christian Davis and Helene Voto, longtime memoirists

**The Pleasure of Debussy’s Sound: Space, Color, Imagination**
French composer Claude Debussy (1862-1918), known for his inventive approach to harmony and resonance, plays with our sense of space, enriches our experience of harmonic color, and invites us to imagine vivid scenes beyond the music itself. Citing his and other composers’ writings, this class explores how he creates unique sound experiences. Wednesday, Jan 9, 1:15 - 2:45
Timothy Cochran, Professor of Music, ECSU
Mansfield School and Public Libraries
Thursday, Jan 10

Technology and information access in libraries are adapting to changes in society and how we examine the essential role of the Digital Age.

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A Multidisciplinary Approach to Design
Some of UConn Extension’s new projects in landscape design
Thursday, Feb 21, 1:15 - 2:45
Natalie Minniti, UConn Professor of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture

Frankenstein At 200
This talk looks at the reasons for the enduring popularity of Mary Shelley’s 200-year-old novel, discussing its many dramatic and cinematic adaptation with particular focus on the surprising and complex relationship between Frankenstein and the public health campaign to fight polio in the mid-20th century.

Frankenstein
Thursday, Feb 14, 1:15 - 2:45
Barbara Murdoch, Associate Professor, English Department, UCONN

Moving Beyond Business as Usual: Involving Ethiopian Farmers for National Food and Water Security
A major global challenge of today is feeding a fast-growing population with less available water. This is a story of how scientists, farmers and water managers are working together in Ethiopia’s Blue Nile region.

Wednesday, Feb 20, 1:15 - 2:45
Zoi Dokou, UConn Assistant Research Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept.

The Long History of Long Walls
When did communities first start building walls? Have walls always been as controversial as they are today? David Frye speaks on the topic of his recent book “Walls: A History of Civilization in Blood and Brick.”

Wednesday, Feb 6, 1:15 - 2:45
David Frye, Professor of History, ECSU

The Beginning of Animal Domestication: A Case from Southwest Asia
Examining animal remains at archaeological sites in northern Israel helps detect when humans first began to control wild goat, cattle and pig populations.

Tuesday, Feb 12, 1:15 - 2:45
Natalie D. Munro, Professor of Anthropology, UConn

Could Stem Cells Be a Fountain of Youth?
To initiate an open dialogue about stem cells gauged for the general public, this class covers the different types of stem cells, their applications, and ethics. You are encouraged to present and discuss your perspectives.

Thursday, Feb 28, 1:15 - 2:45
Barbara Murdoch, Associate Professor, Department of Biology, ECSU

Register Online

CLIR Registration Form

A- Name Mr./Mrs./Ms.
B- Name Mr./Mrs./Ms.
Address
City State Zip Phone

No. of household members x $20 each = total session fee

Please note that the schedule is subject to change. Please be advised that we can notify you of last minute changes to CLIR’s schedule.

Thank you.

Mental Health Awareness:

Public Libraries: Meeting Needs in the Digital Age
We examine the essential role of the public library in society and how libraries are adapting to changes in technology and information access in order to continue meeting the needs of our patrons.

Thursday, Jan 10, 1:15 - 2:45
Emily Tinnell, Outreach Librarian, Mansfield School and Public Libraries

Quantum Computing
An introduction to the mysteries and promise of quantum computing, which works with particles that can be in superposition. Such particles represent not bits but quibits, which can take on the value 0 or 1, or both simultaneously.

Thursday, Jan 24, 1:15 - 2:45
Susanne Yelin, Professor of Physics, UConn

Music of the Late Baroque
This class explores musical trends circa 1700-1750, through select works of Antonio Vivaldi, J.S. Bach, and George Frideric Handel.

Wednesday, Jan 16, 1:15 - 2:45
Heather Desavage, Adjunct Professor, Music History, UConn at Avery Point

The Other Side of Freedom: Gullah Voices and the Ties that Bind
Who are the Gullah? How did their New World community emerge from groups whose African lives were geographically and linguistically different? Ripped from the bosom of their families and brought to the colonies, how did they recreate a sense of belonging and way of life reminiscent of their past, recompising their memories into a new cultural fabric?

Thursday, Jan 31, 1:15 - 2:45
Lisa Rowe Fraustino, Professor and Chair, ECSU English Dept

Consciousness after Death: What the Near Death Experience Means for Our View of the World
Significant numbers of people have survived periods of clinically documented death with no pulse, breath, or measurable brain activity. Many report remarkable experiences of lucid consciousness during that period. If the brain is not producing consciousness in those circumstances, what does this tell us about the nature of consciousness?

Tuesday, Jan 22, 1:15 - 2:45
Vincent Woods, retired chiropractor, currently teaching Human Anatomy and Physiology, Quinebaug Valley Community College

The Ugly Side of Cute: Anthropomorphism and Conceptual Metaphor
Lisa Fraustino argues that the ubiquitous use of anthropocentric values in children’s books—our species chauvinism embedded in anthropomorphism—has obscure ideas that we might not find so cute if they were represented by human bodies. She illustrates her theory by deconstructing the conceptual metaphors in a range of popular picture books.

Tuesday, Jan 29, 1:15 - 2:45
Lisa Rowe Fraustino, Professor and Chair, ECSU English Dept

Employing Threat Assessment Strategies in a Campus Setting
In accordance with Public Act 13-3, Connecticut universities must have a trained threat assessment team. When utilized properly, a threat assessment team can provide insight into identifying and addressing troubled or threatening behavior in a campus setting.

Tuesday, Feb 5, 1:15 - 2:45
Jeffrey Garewski, Chief and Director of Public Safety, ECSU

The Hidden Brain
Most of us think we make our decisions rationally, but studies show that unconscious and sometimes irrational forces drive many of them in everything from what we buy to whom we vote for.

Thursday, Feb 14, 1:15 - 2:45
Julie Brown, Professor of Psychological Sciences, UConn

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