



The Spiral

Newsletter of the Center for Lifelong Learning, University of South Carolina Aiken

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President's Message

Classes Are in Full Fall Swing!

Our fall session is off to a wonderful start! We are delighted to see so many of our members enjoying their classes, learning new things, and spending time with friends. This fall, 450 people are taking classes through the Center for Lifelong Learning!

While our students are enjoying the fall session, our Curriculum Committee is already working hard preparing an exciting lineup of classes for the spring. We appreciate all of the time and effort they put into creating opportunities for our members to learn, explore, and enjoy.

We hope everyone continues to have a wonderful fall session, and we look forward to seeing you in class!

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B&E RESTROOMS ARE BACK IN SERVICE !



The restrooms on the first floor of the Business and Education building have been closed for renovation for so many months we've lost count, but at long last the project is complete.

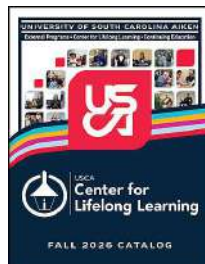
Note that, at least for now, the trash receptacles have been placed inside the restroom doors, not near the sinks and paper towel dispensers. One also wonders why the doors that complicate entry for those with mobility devices had to be reinstalled when the labyrinthine entry paths block any line of sight from the hallway into the restrooms. But at least access to functioning plumbing no longer requires waiting on an abysmally slow elevator to the second floor.

CLL Moving to New Department at USCA?

No, the Department is just changing its name from Department of External Programs to Department of External Studies to better relate its academic nature. The Department includes activities beyond just the

CLL. The Department also provides university level coursework leading to professional certification and licensing requirements. Among other things, it also provides workforce development to meet the needs of local and regional employers. "Studies" tells the public this office produces academic outcomes backed by the university.

Catalog Updates

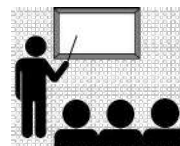


Changes affecting upcoming classes have been announced since the last issue of *The Spiral*. Please enter these changes and corrections in your copy of the catalog. A cumulative list of catalog changes is maintained on the CLL website's [Changes to the Printed Catalog Page](#).

PAGE	COURSE / EVENT NAME
28	64. Applied Artificial Intelligence – Section C – Rescheduled to Oct 13, 10:-12:00 [LIBRARY]
29	70. Coroner System – Room change to B&E 116
30	74. The Grimke Sisters – Course Withdrawn
30	75. Irish Treveller Language – Room change to B&E 116
34	89. Aiken's Haunted History – Room change to B&E 116
38	108. Doctor Mary Edwards Walker – Course Withdrawn
40	116. How the Winter Colony Partied- Room change to B&E 124

Courses and Events Beginning This Month

Many of our classes fill quickly. Before attending please pre-register to assure there is a place for you.



Click each item name to access its full description from the CLL website listings (aikenlearning.org/courses.html).

START	COURSE / EVENT NAME
Oct 1	Coroner System
Oct 1	iCloud w/ iPad iPhone
Oct 1	Security Scams
Oct 5	Volunteering

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Oct 5	Irish Trav Language
Oct 5	TT Password Managers
Oct 6	Submarine History
Oct 6	TT Quantum Computing
Oct 6	War with Iran
Oct 6	Darkest Days 1941
Oct 6	Nuclear Waste
Oct 8	Female OSS
Oct 8	iPad 101
Oct 12	Rebecca Brewton Motte
Oct 12	TT Power of the Web
Oct 13	Android Devices
Oct 13	Applied AI (Sec C)
Oct 14	Windows File Mngt
Oct 14	Aiken Haunted Hist
Oct 15	Advanced Tech Scams
Oct 19	Aiken Council Min
Oct 20	Butterfly
Oct 20	Financial Ratios
Oct 20	Facebook Security
Oct 20	Yellowstone Judges
Oct 20	Day of the Dead
Oct 21	2026 Election
Oct 21	Thrown Out of College
Oct 21	Oldest Settlements
Oct 21	Using OneDrive
Oct 22	Manners & Civility
Oct 22	Smart Glasses
Oct 26	Exploring 10 Mph

START	COURSE / EVENT NAME
Oct 26	Woody Guthrie
Oct 26	Yugoslavia
Oct 27	TT Family Hist
Oct 28	Smart Home Solution
Oct 29	Dressing 1860s Lady

Full course descriptions can also be found:

- in the downloadable catalog (aikenlearning.org/catalog.html)
- in the printed catalog

Register online at aikenlearning.org/online.html or bring the form from the catalog along with any required payment to the USCA External Studies office, Business and Education Building, Room 103. **Registrations can no longer be taken via mail or phone** due to more stringent security requirements for credit card processing.

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[Location Codes] B = Business & Education Bldg FT = Field Trip

RP = Ruth Patrick Sci Ctr TBD = To Be Determined

Red = Change from printed catalog. See the [CLL website](#) for any later updates.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Coroner System 9:30-12:00 [B 116] iCloud w/ iPad iPhone 10:00-12:00 [LIB TBD] Security Scams 1:30-3:30 [B 144]	2 In Case of Emergency 10:30-12:30 [B 144]
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