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for adults over the age of 50 seeking to  
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UC San Diego



## Spring 2026 Program Highlights Featuring Distinguished Local Academics and Experts In Person and Live-Streamed via Zoom

**Master Class I: Piet Mondrian: The Modernist**  
Victoria Martino Art Historian

**Master Class II: The Labyrinth of Personal and Collective Memory**  
Professor Oliva M. Espín

**Premier Class: The History of Higher Education**  
Professor Stanley Chodorow

**Premier Class: Music and Religion in the Lives of Five Great Composers: Mendelssohn, Mahler, Schoenberg, Copland, and Bernstein**  
Professor Walter Aaron Clark

**Premier Class: Eastern Religions**  
Professor Peter Bolland

**Premier Class: Public Health Issues**  
Featuring speakers from SDSU and San Diego County

**Charles Dickens: Travels in America**  
Professor Jeanie Grant Moore

**The 2000-Year History of the Roman State and Its Lessons for Today**  
Professor Edward Watts

**Elder Fraud: Don't Fall For It**  
Oleksandra "Sasha" Johnson,  
Deputy US Attorney

**Were Those Military Orders Legal?**  
Professor Rachel VanLandingham

**The Geopolitics of Oil and Future Energy**  
Professor David Victor

**Linguistic Abuse of Migrants**  
Professor Pooja Dadhania

**Why Is Cancer Increasing in Young Adults and People Without Risk Factors?**  
Professor Ludmil Alexandrov

**Beyond Symptoms: How Whole-Person Health Is Transforming Modern Medicine**  
Professor Ryan Bradley

**What Came Before the Big Bang?**  
Professor Brian Keating

**Progress at the Contextual Robotics Institute**  
Professor Henrik Christensen

**The Southern California Coastal Ocean Observing System**  
Nathali Cordero Quiros

**Transforming Classrooms into Communities: Improving Student Engagement and Success**  
Professor Andrew Estrada Phuong

**Informed Member-Led Discussions of Politics, Current Events, History and Literature**

**Theater World, Field Trips, and Member Luncheons**

**Enrichment Through Lifelong Learning**

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**JOIN US!**

**SPRING OPEN HOUSE**

MARCH 28, AT 9:30 A.M.

at 8980 Villa La Jolla Drive and via Zoom  
[extendedstudies.ucsd.edu/olli/openhouse](https://extendedstudies.ucsd.edu/olli/openhouse)



*"After a career in industry, I am semi-retired and am thrilled to have discovered the Osher Institute at UC San Diego. From art to astrophysics, each day's lectures bring exciting opportunities for me to learn, engage with distinguished faculty speakers, and interact with a group of interested and interesting, educated colleagues. I am enjoying attending classes in person but am also pleased that I have the option to participate in classes via Zoom."*

— Nancy Neigus  
Osher Member



The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UC San Diego is a membership program for adults over the age of 50 who want to enrich their lives through continued learning and engagement. Osher features twice-daily lectures and seminars by the outstanding faculty and researchers of UC San Diego and the entire San Diego academic community, as well as local leaders, artists and musicians. Class topics include Medicine, Science, Law and Society, History, Art and Humanities, International Relations, Literature and Social Sciences. Informed member-led discussions of current events, literature, history, member luncheons, and field trips enhance the Osher experience at UC San Diego.

During the upcoming quarter most in-person classes will be simultaneously live-streamed via Zoom. By enrolling in Annual or Quarterly membership, you will have access to LIVE lectures every day without separate fee or registration. Members can attend all scheduled classes or pick and choose the courses that fit their individual schedules. Annual and Quarterly members also have unrestricted access to the members-only online video library of recorded lectures from this quarter and those recorded previously. The Online Affiliate Membership option does not include participation in our live daily program but will give you twelve months of access to the online video library.

For a one-time Annual or Quarterly membership fee, members enjoy:

- Convenient daytime classes
- No prerequisites, grades or tests
- No separate class registration required
- Unlimited class participation
- Access to an extensive online recorded lecture library

#### **MEMBERSHIP FEES:**

- Prorated Annual Membership: \$200
- Spring Quarter: \$125
- Online Affiliate Annual Membership: \$50

*\* Online Affiliate Membership only provides access to the Osher online video library of recorded lectures. Visit the Osher website for more details.*

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## **KEY DATES – 2025–2026 Academic Calendar**

Open House: March 28, at 9:30 a.m. In Person and via Zoom

Spring Quarter: March 30 – June 6, 2026