What is Learning in Retirement?

Learning in Retirement (LinR) is a non-credit education program, providing an enriching academic opportunity for those interested in life-long learning.

LinR typically features a variety of unique, non-credit lecture series, writing workshops, language workshops, and single lecture presentations.

What participants say about LinR

"I much appreciate the opportunity to learn from exceptional academic resources teaching material of specific personal interest to an audience that shares the pleasure of on-going learning in a warm and comfortable atmosphere."

"LinR offers a variety of well researched and extremely interesting topics. It has been such a pleasure to attend the classes, mingle with others, and to have the opportunity to meet and learn from these wonderful lecturers."

Fall 2019 Single Lecture Presentations

Learning in Retirement’s Fall 2019 Single Lecture Presentations run from September 16 to October 29. Whether you’re interested in art, history, music, science, psychology, or politics, LinR’s Single Lecture Presentations offer something for everyone.

There are no prerequisites, exams, or age limits!

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LinR Now Has a Second Location!

Carleton University has purchased the Dominion-Chalmers church building at Cooper and O’Connor Streets. LinR will be expanding into the new Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre (CDCC).

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):

Will you reduce offerings on campus?
We will continue to offer most LinR lectures and workshops on Carleton’s main campus. The downtown classes will address a growing demand, and offer further learning opportunities for those who find it convenient to learn downtown.

Where are the LinR classrooms at CDCC?
This fall, LinR will be using rooms #14 and #17 on the second floor of CDCC for smaller sized lecture series and workshops. Some larger events may be held in Woodside Hall on the main floor. Entrance ramps, an elevator and large washrooms on each floor provide accessible use.

The majority of Fall 2019 Single Lecture Presentations will be offered at Carleton’s main campus.

How do I get there, and will there be parking?
LinR participants can travel to CDCC by public transit, bicycle, car, or on foot. The CDCC parking lot will be managed by a new first-come, first-served pay-as-you-go parking system.

Note: While CDCC’s official address is 355 Cooper Street, the parking lot and main entrance are on the Lisgar Street side of the building, which is also closest to the OC Transpo Transitway.

See page 21 for more parking information, and visit our website for details about parking and alternate transportation.

You’ll find more FAQs at carleton.ca/linr/CDCC.

**LEGEND**

- Prepaid, virtual parking permits for offerings at Carleton’s main campus, are available for purchase through the LinR office.
- Pay-As-You-Go metered parking is available on a first-come first-served basis.
LECTURE 1

Why Crosswords are NOT Helping you Prevent Alzheimer’s Disease

Lecturer: Ashley Thompson
Day: Monday, September 16
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Can brain exercises "keep your brain young"? This lecture will first cover the basics of how memory works in the brain, and Alzheimer’s disease pathology (i.e., what is going on in the brain in this disease). It will then explain why tasks such as completing crossword puzzles are not ideal for promoting mental fitness. We will discuss some of the most up-to-date advances in the area of Alzheimer’s disease research, as well as informed advice for protecting our ageing brains against disease.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 2

Ottawa as Crown and Town: A Walking Tour of the Monuments of Elgin Street

Lecturer: Dr. Tonya Davidson
Day: Tuesday, September 17
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: National War Memorial

During his tenure as Prime Minister, Mackenzie King imagined Ottawa’s Elgin Street as the Canadian Champs-Élysées. The National War Memorial was unveiled in 1939 at Elgin Street’s northern apex, to create a sort of Canadian Arc de Triomphe. Since then, Elgin Street visitors can walk through dominant narratives of the nation; however, the street and its monuments also allow for the undoing of these same narratives. We will visit monuments along Elgin Street (including the Oscar Peterson statue, the Canadian Tribute to Human Rights, and Enclave: The Women’s Monument) to explore how they allow for the generation of multiple sets of memories, nostalgia, and challenges to nationalist narratives.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 35 participants
Note: Meet at the National War Memorial.
LECTURE 3

Five Fascinating Muslim Queens

Lecturer: H. Masud Taj
Day: Wednesday, September 18
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Together with Taj, consider these five fascinating Muslim queens: from rags to the richest woman in the world in 8th century Baghdad; the first woman to occupy the throne of Egypt after Cleopatra in 13th century Cairo, and her contemporary in Delhi who continues to be the subject of Bollywood films and TV mini-series eight centuries later; the emigrant who becomes a queen in 16th century Morocco, and her contemporary, the girl from Ukraine that defied royal traditions in Istanbul. In recent years countries such as Bangladesh, Indonesia, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Mali, Mauritius, Northern Cyprus, Pakistan, Senegal, Singapore and Turkey have continued the tradition with Muslim women as head of state or government.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 40 participants

LECTURE 4

Music for Curious Ears: An Introduction to Unusual Musical Equipment

Lecturer: Dr. Jesse Stewart
Day: Thursday, September 19
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: Woodside Hall, Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre (355 Cooper Street)

Have you ever wondered what instrument makes the spooky sound in horror movies? Or what a flute made out of 50,000 year old wood sounds like? Join Juno award-winning composer/percussionist—and Carleton University professor—Dr. Jesse Stewart for a discussion and demonstration of a wide variety of unusual musical instruments that he has collected throughout his career. This interactive lecture will take place at the Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre.

Cost: FREE (Registration required)
Enrollment capacity: 120 participants
LECTURE 5

Gallery Tour: Portraiture

Lecturer: Maria Martin
Day: Thursday, September 19
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: National Gallery of Canada

The way we present ourselves, or choose to be portrayed, can be very revealing. Join us in the European and Canadian galleries of the National Gallery of Canada, to view how artists have captured themselves and their subjects in sculpture, painting and photography. We will learn about the artists and the times in which they lived. We will also reflect on what the person in the portrait may have been trying to communicate. This single lecture is excerpted from Maria’s "Learning to Look at the Gallery" series.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Free entrance to the National Gallery on Thursday evenings.

Enrollment capacity: 20 participants
Note: Please meet at the front entrance of the National Gallery of Canada.

LECTURE 6

Religion and Politics, in Canada and the United States

Lecturer: Dr. Tom Sherwood
Day: Monday, September 23
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

With federal elections in Canada this year and in the United States in 2020, we are aware of religious groups and values in public and political discourse. The religious history and make-up of the two countries are somewhat similar, and yet religion seems to function quite differently in the public life of Canada and the United States. ("God keep Our Land" vs. In God We Trust.) How can we understand this better? What are the key distinctions in our histories and constitutions? How can we anticipate the role of religion in the future of each country?

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)

Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 7

Building on Words; Words on Buildings

Lecturer: H. Masud Taj
Day: Tuesday, September 24
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

As an architectural calligrapher, Taj pursues the Masonry Script (Arabic medieval modular calligraphy). He will show two examples of his three-dimensional calligraphy along with their polyhedral and philosophical underpinning. The two examples of his calligraphy will explain the twin obsessions of the Muslim civilization: architecture and calligraphy. He will also present his research from one summer in Andalusian Spain, reading Don Quixote while reading inscriptions on a medieval mosque, church and synagogue in Toledo. No previous knowledge of architecture, calligraphy or polyhedra are required to enjoy the session.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 40 participants

LECTURE 8

A Women’s Tour of Ottawa

Lecturer: Dr. Tonya Davidson
Day: Wednesday, September 25
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: Parliament Hill

Beginning at the Centennial Flame on Parliament Hill, on this walking tour we address how women have historically been imagined in relation to nation-building in Canada. The tour progresses along Elgin Street, for a sociological reading of how mundane but crucial urban infrastructure, such as public transportation, parks, and public washrooms, are gendered in their design and use. Stopping at the National War Memorial, the National Arts Centre, City Hall, and various monuments, we will discuss the feminization of poverty and homelessness, homophobia, women’s role in municipal politics, housing, violence against women, and Ottawa feminisms.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 35 participants
Note: Meet at the Centennial Flame on Parliament Hill.
LECTURE 9

Front-row Seats at a Canadian Space Launch in Kazakhstan

Lecturer: Elizabeth Howell
Day: Wednesday, September 25
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Spend an evening with space and science journalist Elizabeth Howell, following along with the launch preparations of Canadian astronaut David Saint-Jacques in Baikonur, Kazakhstan as he got ready for his launch to the International Space Station. Howell’s on-site photography will show Saint-Jacques’ final steps before going to space in December 2018. Then NASA photography will carry on his adventures in space, which ended with a safe landing in Kazakhstan in June 2019. We will also discuss how the Space Station shaped Canada’s space program, and the history of the formerly top-secret Baikonur Cosmodrome.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 10

Forced Migration: Understanding the Global Refugee Crisis

Lecturer: Dr. Joseph Landry
Day: Thursday, September 26
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

With 70+ million people displaced worldwide, we see tensions between human rights and the domestic, regional, and international politics surrounding internally displaced persons and asylum seekers. Examples include sprawling refugee camps in Africa and Asia, the plight of so-called “boat people” seeking refuge in Europe and North America, and hot button political controversies surrounding asylum seekers in the global North. This lecture will clarify terms and address the major themes and tensions that currently affect the global refugee crisis. We will also apply these concepts to contemporary political situations, examining the difficulties of ensuring refugees’ protection while balancing concerns around national security.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 11

Mercy, the Afterlife, and the End of Capital Punishment in Canada

Lecturer: Dr. Joel Kropf
Day: Monday, September 30
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

In the 1960s and 1970s, Canadian authorities decided to eliminate the death penalty, a longstanding feature of criminal justice. Why did abolition finally occur in this particular period? This lecture will explore one dimension of the explanation by stepping back into the mid-1800s to examine public executions, events in which we can see perhaps surprising motifs of mercy and forgiveness, and a tendency to highlight the humanity of the convict. We will then discuss how 1960s changed sensibilities about mercy, and altered assumptions about death and the afterlife, helped to do away with the death penalty in Canada.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 12

Out of Alabama: From American Enslavement to Freedom and Exile in Africa

Lecturers: Dr. James Miller and Dr. Mary Margaret Johnston-Miller
Day: Tuesday, October 1
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

This is the story of Harrison Ellis. As an enslaved blacksmith in Alabama, Ellis taught himself to read and write. His advanced literacy and devout Christianity came to the attention of the Presbyterian Church, which took the extraordinary step of purchasing Ellis, ordaining him as a minister, and sending him to Liberia as a missionary. From there, things started to go terribly wrong, as we shall see. The lecture tells a fascinating tale of one person’s extraordinary life. Ellis’ life also illuminates the larger questions of American slavery and abolition that dominated the times in which he lived.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 13
How to Read the Landscape

Lecturer: Dr. Elena Ponomarenko  
Day: Wednesday, October 2  
Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Location: Stony Swamp Conservation, 4897 Old Richmond Road (Ottawa west)  

During this field trip to the woods and meadows of the Stony Swamp conservation area, you will learn how to "read" the landscape, and detect what has disturbed it. We will discuss unique geological features and soils, and analyze traces of fires, hurricanes, tornadoes, insect infestation, and past anthropogenic disturbances such as logging and farming. By the end of our eco-forensic class you will be able to recognize traces of past disturbances along your hiking routes, in your own woodlot or backyard, and even on some landscape paintings! Finally, you will learn how adults of all ages can use these skills to contribute to a citizen science project.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)  
Enrollment capacity: 18 participants  
Note: Please wear comfortable shoes, socks, and long pants to protect against ticks.  
Parking: Free, year-round parking is available at select lots at Stony Swamp Conservation.

LECTURE 14
Marihuana: Is It High Times or Is It Keep Off the Grass?

Lecturer: Dr. Peter Fried  
Day: Thursday, October 3  
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)  

Since Canada recently legalized marihuana (only the second country in the world to do so), interest in objective information on "weed" has naturally soared dramatically. In this lecture, topics that will be discussed include the chemistry of the plant, how the brain is impacted to produce the high, use during vulnerable nervous system developmental periods such as pregnancy and adolescence, medical attributes, and the legal status in Canada and the United States. Information garnered from this lecture will help you make both an informed decision for yourself and to discuss this controversial topic with family and friends.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)  
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 15

Gallery Tour: "My Kid Could Do That!"
The Perils of Abstraction

Lecturer: Maria Martin
Day: Thursday, October 3
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: National Gallery of Canada

When Barnett Newman’s “Voice of Fire” painting was purchased and exhibited in the National Gallery of Canada after the building opened in 1988, a storm of controversy ensued. What is it about abstract art that infuriates the public? How do we approach works of art that seem so simple, and not wonder whether the artist is “having us on”? We will visit the National Gallery to look at abstract paintings and sculptures from the early 20th century to the present day, to consider the artist’s message and its meaning for us. This single lecture is excerpted from Maria’s “Learning to Look at the Gallery” series.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Free entrance to the National Gallery on Thursday evenings.
Enrollment capacity: 20 participants
Note: Please meet at the front entrance of the National Gallery of Canada.

LECTURE 16

Climate Change as an Ethical Dilemma

Lecturer: Dr. Nalini Ramlakhan
Day: Monday, October 7
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

This lecture explores the ethical aspects of climate change, something often considered a political or economic issue. Should developed nations cut back their greenhouse gas emissions in order to allow developing countries to develop and not harm the environment in doing so? What responsibilities do we have to future generations in mitigating climate change? What are some moral obligations or ethical duties that we can provide as solutions to mitigate climate change? Discover what prominent ethicists have to say about the issue. Through this example of climate change, you’ll also experience a philosophical approach to ethical dilemmas.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 17

Populism's Appeal and Impact

Lecturer: Dr. Milana Nikolko  
Day: Tuesday, October 8  
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Why does populism resonate today? Social turbulence, economic crises, and migration are all believed to fuel populist resentment against political and economic elites. This lecture will address the appeal of populism, as well as why some consider it a threat to democracy. Together we will explore the transformation of populism over the course of the 20th century in order to understand its modern variants, its contexts, and its impact on political discourse today.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)  
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 18

Brexit: Causes and Consequences

Lecturer: Dr. André Lecours  
Day: Wednesday, October 9  
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

The exit of the United Kingdom (UK) from the European Union (EU) represents one of the most significant political events of the early 21st century. How and why did the United Kingdom vote to leave the EU? What will be the impact of Brexit on the EU? On the UK? This lecture will tackle these questions. It first examines the origins and workings of the EU, and its relationship with the UK. Then, the lecture analyzes the immediate causes of the Brexit referendum, the results of the vote, the subsequent negotiations, and its impact on the EU and UK.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)  
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 19

Wish Upon a Falling Star: Meteors and Meteorites

Lecturer: Howard Simkover
Day: Thursday, October 10
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

For many thousands of years, humans have gazed up in wonder at "shooting stars" in the night sky. What causes these sudden flashes of light, as well as craters on the surface of our planet and other solar system objects? Join Howard Simkover from Montreal’s Dow Planetarium for a highly visual, thought-provoking presentation about meteors and meteorites. Howard will share his experiences, and his considerable knowledge of these "rocks from space", including two particularly noteworthy incidents. One took place over Russia in 2013… and the other gave the dinosaurs a very bad day 66 million years ago.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

HAVE A QUESTION?

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Lecture 20

The Power of 0 and 1

Lecturer: Dr. Kevin Cheung
Day: Tuesday, October 15
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Modern digital computers are based on manipulating zeros and ones. However, you don’t need to be a computer engineer to appreciate the power of the numbers 0 and 1. In this lecture, we will first look at how to use these two simple numbers creatively to solve some interesting problems. We will then look at their role in the history of modern computing. The lecture is aimed at a general audience with a high school math background and an interest in math and technology.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

Lecture 21

Fragile States and Transnational Terrorism

Lecturer: Dr. Joseph Landry
Day: Wednesday, October 16
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

The terrorist acts of September 11, 2001 and their profound impact clearly demonstrate we are not immune to terrorism originating in countries with internal conflict, weak governance, or frail economies. This lecture examines terrorism, counter-terrorism, and the impact that terrorism from fragile states has on domestic and international security. How big of a risk is such terrorism, how is it spread, and what techniques are used to address it? Our discussion of both theoretical knowledge and case studies such as Libya and Afghanistan, will help you develop an academic and historical appreciation of this topic. Bring a critical and inquiring mind to this examination and critique of contentious issues.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 22
How Canadians are Conquering the Ballet World

Lecturer: Katherine Barber
Day: Thursday, October 17
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

When you think of hotbeds of balletic talent, Saskatoon and North Bay are not the first places that spring to mind. Yet Canadians are making waves all over the ballet world, often with little recognition at home. Get to know 18 of them in this entertaining talk, illustrated by video clips, which will also explore the variety of what constitutes "ballet" today.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 23
Gallery Tour: Saints and Sinners

Lecturer: Maria Martin
Day: Thursday, October 17
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: National Gallery of Canada

In this lecture we will visit the European Galleries at the National Gallery to view paintings and sculptures from the early Renaissance to the Baroque artistic periods. From religious subjects, to portraiture, to scenes from mythology, we will see how the work of European artists evolved stylistically between the 14th and 17th centuries. Together we will explore some of the signs and symbols that artists used in their depictions, to amplify and enrich the meaning of the image for the viewer. The range of female imagery, from depictions of Eve, to Venus, to the Virgin Mary, will also be considered. This single lecture is excerpted from Maria’s “Learning to Look at the Gallery” series.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Free entrance to the National Gallery on Thursday evenings.
Enrollment capacity: 20 participants
Note: Please meet at the front entrance of the National Gallery of Canada.
LECTURE 24

You Can Learn to Read Russian!

Lecturer: Dr. Marina Sabanadze
Day: Monday, October 21
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Although Dr. Marina Sabanadze cannot promise you'll learn Russian in one single lecture, she promises to teach you the Russian alphabet. This "Cyrillic" alphabet was named after St. Cyril, the 9th century Byzantine monk reputed to have devised it. Dr. Sabanadze would like to share a small secret with you: the Cyrillic alphabet is much easier to master than usually assumed by complete beginners, so you will have it mastered in just a 2-hour session and have fun while doing it, too. Anyone can learn the basics of Russian reading quickly. Try and you will believe it, too!

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

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The Learning in Retirement program will be celebrating 20 years in 2020?

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LECTURE 25
Iran's Political System and the Making of Foreign Policy

Lecturer: Dr. Farhad Rezaei
Day: Tuesday, October 22
Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

If Iran's political decisions seem opaque to you, join Dr. Rezaei for an overview of the republic's political system and foreign policy decision-making process. Three major forces have an impact on Iran's foreign policy: Normalizers who want integration into the community of nations, Hardliners who oppose changing Iran's international posture, and the Supreme Leader who acts as a balancer. They constantly interact, change and negotiate over all things related to domestic and foreign policies. As you will hear, this complicated situation presents a problem because one can never predict how the interplay of these groups will dictate Iran's foreign policy.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 26
Deep Underground, Looking for Dark Matter

Lecturer: Dr. Simon Viel
Day: Tuesday, October 22
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Dark matter is one of the main mysteries in fundamental physics today. Everything we can see directly around us is made of ordinary matter, yet our most recent models predict that the universe contains at least five times more dark matter than ordinary matter. Scientists around the world are trying to detect dark matter, including researchers working on the DEAP experiment located at SNOLAB in Sudbury, Ontario. Join Dr. Viel for an insider account of one of the ways he and other scientists look for dark matter with experimental particle physics: in SNOLAB underground detectors using liquid argon targets.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 27
Bad Movie Physics

Lecturer: Dr. Andrew Robinson
Day: Wednesday, October 23
Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Movies often require the audience to suspend belief and portray scenes which are not physically possible. This is particularly true in action sequences. In this talk, I will mention some particularly outrageous, but entertaining, violations of the laws of physics, and discuss what would actually happen, and why events portrayed on screen would not happen in real life. Examples will be drawn from a range of movies, and will include vehicles jumping over collapsed bridges, cat burglars, space battles, image enhancement and firearms handling.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 28
Democracy and Rule of Law Now

Lecturer: Dianne George
Day: Wednesday, October 23
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Liberal democracies such as ours are founded on law. However, populism rising in many democracies sets out to disrupt or dispense with democratic processes and to undermine law. This lecture will clarify the complex processes and values encapsulated in the term "rule of the law", using Canadian examples. We will examine one of the cases that established the rule of law in Canada, in response to situations that have become alarmingly relevant again. We will also discuss the populist law and order movement in Canada, and its deleterious effects.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 29

Music and Technology

Lecturer: Keith McCuaig
Day: Thursday, October 24
Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

A plethora of 20th century technological advances in music—including new instruments and a variety of effects—resulted in the creation of new sounds. This lecture will explore some of these musical inventions, including instruments such as the Theremin, synthesizer, drum machine, sampler, and looper. We will also examine effects that can be used in studio or in live performance, including reverb/echo, delay, tremolo, and more. There will be a variety of musical examples and live demonstrations, with the ultimate goal of increasing your enjoyment of music through a better understanding of music and technology.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 30

The Remarkable Cultural Impact of the Haitian Revolution

Lecturer: Dr. Philip Kaisary
Day: Thursday, October 24
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

The Haitian Revolution overthrew slavery, white supremacy, and colonialism, culminating in the Haitian declaration of independence January 1, 1804. It has long held an iconic fascination for a diverse array of writers, artists, and intellectuals, from the poets William Wordsworth and John Greenleaf Whittier to the jazz musicians Sidney Bechet and Charles Mingus. In this interdisciplinary lecture we’ll examine the Haitian Revolution’s literary and cultural impact, using literature, letters, film, artwork, music, and legal materials. Our explorations will demonstrate why the Haitian Revolution, like the French Revolution, must be accounted for as a world-historical event of paramount significance.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
LECTURE 31
The Jazz Fusion Era

Lecturer: Wayne Eagles
Day: Monday, October 28
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Join fellow music-lovers for an appreciation of Jazz Fusion: music that blends jazz improvisation with rock, funk and other styles. While prominent in the late '60s and early '70s, the genre is often under-examined in jazz literature. This lecture will introduce you to some of the genre’s unique musical characteristics, drawing upon lesser-known artists/recordings as well as more renowned exponents of the genre. We'll also examine Jazz Fusion's influences, from improvised psychedelia and progressive rock to free jazz and world musics. The lecture will include informed listening of music placed into cultural context, and will provide you with further resources to pursue.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants

LECTURE 32
How Real is a Real Number?

Lecturer: Dr. Kevin Cheung
Day: Tuesday, October 29
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Rm. 124, Leeds House Building (main campus)

Most people have learned through high school math to associate numbers with points on a line called the real number line. The integers (...,-3,-2,-1,0,1,2,3...) are typically marked on such a line. The rational numbers (i.e., fractional quantities) appear to fill in between the gaps. However, as the ancient Greeks knew, there are numbers that are not rational. Representing all possible real numbers requires infinite sequences. For example, \(\pi = 3.14159265...\) In this lecture, we will examine some of the problems and counterintuitive surprises that result from the way real numbers are defined.

Cost: $30.00 (HST included)
Enrollment capacity: 55 participants
Registration

Registration begins
Thursday, August 8th at 9:00 a.m.

You can register by:
- On-line registration & payment system (carleton.ca/linr/registration)
- Mail (send in the enclosed registration form)

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Parking Information

Parking Maps
A detailed digital map of Carleton’s main campus and Carleton’s Dominion-Chalmers Centre, including Learning in Retirement parking and classroom locations, will be available at carleton.ca/linr/map.

Parking at Carleton University’s Main Campus

Prepaid permits
Prepaid “virtual” parking permits for LinR Fall 2019 offerings at Carleton University’s main campus, located at 1125 Colonel By Drive, are available for purchase through the Learning in Retirement (LinR) office, for $7 per half-day. These permits are valid only for parking lot R6. LinR collects licence plate numbers during registration, and submits them to Parking Services. The licence plate numbers function as the permit credential, replacing paper permits.

Pay-as-you-go
Participants who do not purchase a virtual parking permit in advance may purchase parking by the hour at the pay-and-display machines for parking garage P18 at Carleton University. Rates are set by Parking Services.

Parking at Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre (CDCC)
All parking at Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre will be Pay-As-You-Go (PAYG), as well as first-come first-served. LinR will NOT sell pre-paid parking permits for CDCC and cannot guarantee the number of spots available in the CDCC parking lot or surrounding area.

Further details about parking at Carleton’s Dominion-Chalmers Centre, including nearby alternative parking spots, will be shared on our website (carleton.ca/linr/parking) as they become available.

Note that the official address for CDCC is 355 Cooper Street, but the parking lot and main entrance are on the Lisgar street side of the building.
FALL 2019 SINGLE LECTURE PRESENTATIONS

1. ☐ Why Crosswords are NOT..., A. Thompson
2. ☐ Ottawa as Crown and Town..., Dr. T. Davidson
3. ☐ Five Fascinating Muslim Queens..., H. Masud Taj
4. ☐ Music for Curious Ears: An Intro..., Dr. J. Stewart
5. ☐ Gallery Tour: Portraiture..., M. Martin
6. ☐ Religion and Politics, in Can..., Dr. T. Sherwood
7. ☐ Building on Words; Words on..., H. Masud Taj
8. ☐ A Women’s Tour of Ottawa, Dr. T. Davidson
9. ☐ Front-row Seats at a Canadian Space, E. Howell
10. ☐ Forced Migration: Understanding..., Dr. J. Landry
11. ☐ Mercy, the Afterlife, and the End of..., Dr. J. Kropf
12. ☐ Out of Alabama..., Dr. J. Miller & Dr. M. Johnston-Miller
13. ☐ How to Read the Landscape, Dr. E. Ponomarenko
14. ☐ Marihuana: Is It High Times..., Dr. P. Fried
15. ☐ Gallery Tour: “My Kid Could Do...”, M. Martin
16. ☐ Climate Change as an Ethical..., Dr. N. Ramlakhan
17. ☐ Populism’s Appeal and Impact, Dr. M. Nikolko
18. ☐ Brexit: Causes and Consequences, Dr. A. Lecours
19. ☐ Wish Upon a Falling Star..., H. Simkover
20. ☐ The Power of 0 and 1, Dr. K. Cheung
21. ☐ Fragile States and Transnational..., Dr. J. Landry
22. ☐ How Canadians are Conquering..., K. Barber
23. ☐ Gallery Tour: Saints and Sinners, M. Martin
24. ☐ You Can Learn to Read Russian!, Dr. M. Sabanadze
25. ☐ Iran's Political System and..., Dr. F. Rezaei
26. ☐ Deep Underground, Looking..., Dr. S. Viel
27. ☐ Bad Movie Physics, Dr. A. Robinson
28. ☐ Democracy and the Rule of Law Now, D. George
29. ☐ Music and Technology, K. McCuaig
30. ☐ The Remarkable Cultural Impact..., Dr. P. Kaisary
31. ☐ The Jazz Fusion Era, W. Eagles
32. ☐ How Real is a Real Number?, Dr. K. Cheung
Method of payment

☐ Cheque made payable to Carleton University (attached)

☐ Credit card

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