OLLI at Emory COVID-19 – Winter Class Update

What OLLI at Emory students need to do:

- Vaccinated or not, face coverings are always required, inside our Century Center Building.
- Self-Monitor your health, [check your symptoms before coming to class](#).
- *Be prepared to have your temperature checked when attending in person sessions.

OLLI at Emory is planning to offer courses this January 2022 in several formats, in-classroom, Zoom and Hyflex option, beginning Jan. 4, 2022. Please keep in mind, these in-classroom courses and all courses are offered at the willingness and preference of the instructor.

**Imperative caveat and disclaimer**

OLLI instructors and members know that where COVID-19 precautions are concerned, change happens rapidly. And, if we use our recent past as a guide, change in some form or fashion will continue to occur as we work to find our way out of this pandemic.

We implore instructors and students to be prepared for expected and inevitable change and poised to make related accommodations with little notice. OLLI at Emory is also asking all instructors and students to continue to approach COVID-19 uncertainties with patience.

There are things, that are certain at OLLI at Emory. Whether or not in-person classes are available in January, or in the future at any time, OLLI students will see courses offered as online learning via Zoom. (Zoom, we’ve found during this unprecedented time, is a splendid alternative to in-class learning because all students enjoy a “front row seat” in Zoom learning, and friendships within our membership continue to occur and flourish.)

When we come back to campus in person, OLLI will respect and enforce several mandates. (These conditions are ever changing according to the operating status of the university).

OLLI at Emory’s current plan spells out these conditions:

- All individuals, regardless of vaccination status, may not enter or remain on university property if they have tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 10 days or if they have symptoms of COVID-19 (not related to a chronic condition).
- Everyone (including instructors), regardless of vaccination status, will be required to wear a face covering indoors. We are actively pursuing a variety of solutions to help ensure that instructors can be heard through their face covering.
- Please be prepared to provide proof of vaccination, or a negative COVID-test taken within the previous 72 hours, at any time.
- Eating will not be permitted in class. Briefly removing a face covering to take a drink is permitted.
- No coffee will be provided at this time.

OLLI at Emory will continue with guidance from public health authorities and Emory University. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

* For the purpose of this guidance, fever is defined as subjective fever (feeling feverish) or a measured temperature of 100.4°F (38°C) or higher.