FALL 2017
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
and LIFELONG LEARNING
University of Mississippi Division of Outreach

Earn a five-year standard, renewable Mississippi teaching license in two years.

Define yourself as an HR leader through SHRM.

Score higher on standardized tests.

Decorate a cake!

Get expert instruction at the convenience of wherever, whenever, with our online professional development courses.

ON or OFF CAMPUS, face-to-face, or online, never stop learning!

Great classes to choose from starting in September.
GET inspired this fall.

For more information find us on the web at www.outreach.olemiss.edu/pd11fall
The Office of Professional Development and Lifelong Learning (PDLL) invites you to...

- compose and produce great photos with your digital camera and Adobe Photoshop
- master your iPhone or computer
- design and decorate a cake with Food Network Cake Wars contestants
- learn how to ballroom and Latin dance
- prepare for a new career or advance in a career you love
- teach better, lead better
- prepare to take that standardized test
- develop a new interest or skill

On or off campus, face-to-face and online options, with lots of hands-on learning in just a little time!

Enrollment is easy—just a few mouse clicks away or a quick phone call.

Join the fun and learn something new with PDLL!

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*Two mandatory live orientation sessions*
Communiversity

Ballroom and Latin Dance with Arman

Want to brush up on your dance skills or just learn something new, join Arman Sahakyan, expert dance instructor as he teaches you ballroom and Latin dance techniques. Don’t be shy, he will begin with his step-by-step dance instruction to fit the needs and expectations of each individual student. Arman believes that dance instruction, whether private or group class, should be fun and beneficial.

Open to ages 18 and up.

**Dates:** September 11–November 27 (Mondays)

**Times:** Ballroom Sessions: 6:30-7:30 p.m. and Latin Sessions: 7:30-8:30 p.m.

**Place:** Location is pending.

**Instructor:** Arman Sahakyan, expert dance instructor for over 30 years

**Fee:** $10 per session ($20 per day)

Hummingbird Migration and Nature Garden Getaway

The University of Mississippi Division of Outreach is offering a one-day getaway to Strawberry Plains on Saturday, September 9 from 7:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fee for the trip is $25 and the deadline to register is September 2nd.

Join us for the 18th Annual Hummingbird Migration and Nature Celebration, one of the Southeast’s biggest nature festivals. Highlights include renowned guest speakers, live animal shows, kids activity zone, wagon rides, nature-themed arts and crafts vendors, native plant sale and up-close views of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds being banded and released!

**Date:** Saturday, September 9

**Times:** 8 a.m. departure and approximately 2 p.m. return

**Place:** Holly Springs, MS

**Instructor:** Gazel Giles

CPR and First Aid Training

Become CPR Certified! Learn techniques that could save someone’s life! Have a plan for an emergency and develop the skills necessary to help an adult, child, or infant who is not breathing or whose heart has stopped beating. Learn the new CAB and early warning signs of stroke and cardiac arrest. AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training will be included with this course. Instructor will also cover basic first aid, home safety, splinting, bleeding control, bandaging, and victim assessment. This course meets the requirements for foster care, adoption and child care workers. Class fee includes materials and American Red Cross Certification for two years.

**Date:** Saturday, September 23

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Place:** HR Training Room, Insight Park, 1st Floor Seminar Room

**Instructor:** Matthew Jessee—Certified CPR and First Aid Trainer

**Fee:** $79 (includes materials and American Red Cross Certification for two years)

Note I: This class is not eligible for a discount.

Note II: Due to an extended medical leave of the person in charge of the CPR Certification cards, it will be a 2 month delay before you will receive your card after the completion of class. The instructor can provide you with a letter/certificate of completion at the end of class.
Computer and Internet Basics (including Word and Excel)
Designed for the computer novice, this course is for people who want to enter the computer age. Learn the fundamentals of using a PC, using the mouse and keyboard, typing a document in Word, and setting up a basic spreadsheet in Excel. You will learn lots of computer terminology, how to identify items on your computer, and the basics of windows. Participants will also learn the basics of the Internet, how it works, and what it can do for you.

**Dates:** Tuesday, September 26 and Thursday, September 28
**Time:** 5:30-7:30 p.m.
**Place:** Weir Hall
**Instructor:** Jack McClurg
**Fee:** $59

Note: Class is held in a computer lab, but feel free to bring your laptop if you’d like to work on your personal computer.

Getting to Know Your Digital Camera
Compose and take great photos using your digital camera. Topics in this class include efficient use of manual modes, quick-shooting techniques for more professional-looking shots, and most importantly, how to have fun with your camera. The instructor will touch on post-production editing and enhancing images, as well as hardware options for archiving, and printing.

**Date:** Saturday, September 30
**Time:** 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
**Place:** HR Training Room, Insight Park, 1st Floor Seminar Room

**Instructor:** Robert Jordan
Robert Jordan has photographed the University of Mississippi in some capacity for 30 years. He currently serves as the Director of Brand Photography Services.
**Fee:** $85

Note: Dress for the weather as you will be going outside to take pictures. Class participants should bring a digital camera, manual, memory card, and charging cord to each class.

The Healing Power of Herbs and Spices
This hands-on interactive class focuses on the unique techniques of blending herbs and spices to promote good health. Participants will learn pairing herbs and spices and which are used all over the world to promote good health.

**Date:** Thursday, October 5
**Time:** 5:30-7:00 p.m.
**Place:** UM Depot
**Instructor:** Ann Marie Farrell
**Fee:** $39

Marketing Your Business Using Social Media
Social media is one of the most exciting, highly effective communication tools that can provide powerful and cost-efficient marketing. Participants will walk away from this boot camp knowing how to set up and optimize social media sites, generate targeted leads via Facebook ads, generate traffic, increase returns on site investment, apply practical strategies, and navigate the do’s and don’ts of social media. A working knowledge of computers and the Internet is required. You must also have a valid email address set up before class.

**Dates:** Thursdays, October 5, 12, and 19
**Time:** 6:00-7:30 p.m.
**Place:** Weir Hall
**Instructor:** Vanessa Cook, Assistant Director of Marketing specializing in all things social media for the Division of Outreach and Continuing Education.
**Fee:** $69

Note: Class is held in a computer lab, but feel free to bring your laptop if you’d like to work on your personal computer.
Adobe Photoshop Workshop: Getting Started
Participants will receive hands-on experience on how to change the size and resolution of photos, recognize and use the toolbar, use color correction techniques, adjust color and contrast settings, correct red-eye caused by flash photography, crop images, restore old family photos, and save photos in various file formats. Participants will also learn how to extract an image from its background and place it into another photo and how to apply artistic and textural photo effects.

Date: Saturday, October 7
Time: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Place: Weir Hall
Instructor: Amanda Keys, owner of Bright Ideas and Solutions
Fee: $89

Note: Class is held in a computer lab, but feel free to bring your laptop if you’d like to work on your personal computer.

Advanced Essential Oils—Lifestyle Change
Essential oils are natural aromatic compounds found in the seeds, bark, stems, roots, flowers, and other parts of plants. They have been used throughout history in many cultures for their medicinal and therapeutic benefits. In this advanced class, participants will try their hand at creating some oil-based blends that are perfect for bath, body, and home. Class members will learn how to use essential oils safely to replace household, personal care, and wellness products as well as how to make a warm hearty ‘healing soup.’ Each participant will leave with small samples made in class and dozens of recipes and gift ideas.

Dates: Thursdays, October 19 and 26
Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Place: UM Depot
Instructor: Ann Marie Farrell
Fee: $85 plus $9

Cake Decorating: Spooky, Scary, and Spectacular
This is not your everyday cake design class. Jeff and Kathleen Taylor, owners of Sweet-T’s Bakery who were featured on an episode of “Cake Wars” on the Food Network Channel, will teach this award winning cake design class. Students will be trained in the intricate art of cake design. This class will highlight preparing and using buttercream icings, pressure control piping, cake borders and floral piping including leaves, rose buds, and full blown roses. Plus, you will receive instruction on rolled fondant and modeling techniques. At the end of this class you will have the knowledge and skill to decorate like a professional.

Date: Monday, October 23
Time: 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Place: UM Depot
Instructors: Jeff and Kathleen Taylor, Owners of Sweet T’s Bakery and two-time Food Network’s “Cake Wars” winners
Fee: $75

Note: It’s recommended that you have some cake decorating experience. If you have your own cake decorating tools, feel free to bring them.
Safe Sitter® Essential Skills for ages 11 to 14

Safe Sitter® is a national recognized program for 11-14 year olds where participants will learn life-saving skills so they can be safe if home alone or watching younger children. Participants will play fun games and do some role-playing exercises—even get to learn fundamental CPR and first aid practices to help rescue someone who is choking. At the end of the class, participants will be prepared to handle whatever situation comes up. Parents are required to attend the last hour of class to participate in the recap and graduation ceremony. Participants are required to bring a lunch. Beverages will be provided.

**Date:** Saturday, November 4  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
**Place:** HR Training Room, Insight Park, 1st Floor Seminar Room  
**Instructor:** Gazel Giles  
**Fee:** $45

*Note: Space is limited to 8 participants. Register early.*

**iPhones? iPads? iWhat?**

This class is for beginner iPhone and iPad users. Learn about basic settings and navigation so you can feel smarter than your smart device. Participants will walk away with the necessary information that every iPhone/iPad user should understand and use to make life’s operations run more effectively.

**Date:** Thursday, November 16  
**Time:** 5:00-6:30 p.m.  
**Place:** Weir Hall  
**Instructor:** Penny Rice, Instructional Technology Specialist in Academic Computing at Ole Miss  
**Fee:** $45

*Note: Participants should bring their own iPhone or iPad to class.*

**Holiday Sweet Treats**

This class is fun for the entire family. Come and learn how to decorate cupcakes and cookies, just in time for the holiday. Jeff and Kathleen will amaze you with their skills on how to take a simple cupcake or cookie and turn it into something special.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 12  
**Time:** 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
**Place:** UM Depot  
**Instructors:** Jeff and Kathleen Taylor  
**Fee:** $59

*Note: A supply list will be sent to the participants one week prior to the class date.*
Tips for Trimming Your Tree

Jordan Brown is known for her beautiful decorated Christmas trees. Join us for this brown bag workshop to learn tips and techniques to put together your own unique family tree from start to finish.

- **Date:** Wednesday, November 8
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m.
- **Place:** UM Depot
- **Instructor:** Jordan Brown—Discount Building Supply Store
- **Fee:** $10

Note: Participants are encouraged to bring lunch!

Easy to Elegant Tablescapes and Centerpieces

Jordan Brown is known for her creative ability to decorate for special events during any season. Join Jordan as she shows you how to decorate your Christmas table from easy-to-do affordable tablescapes to very elegant tablescapes with eye-catching centerpieces. Feel free to bring your ideas and questions. This hour will be packed with fun DIY ideas that will keep you engaged and brighten up any celebration.

- **Date:** Wednesday, November 29
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m.
- **Place:** UM Depot
- **Instructor:** Jordan Brown—Discount Building Supply Store
- **Fee:** $10

Note: Participants are encouraged to bring lunch!

A Christmas Tree for the Birds

A Christmas Tree—why not a tree for our furry and feathered friends by using decorations you can easily make at home? You can either decorate an evergreen tree outdoors in your yard, or you can decorate a tree in your home, and then later, after the holidays, put it out in your yard. Either way the birds and squirrels will appreciate the winter treats!

- **Date:** Wednesday, December 13
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m.
- **Place:** UM Depot
- **Instructor:** Mitch Robinson, Conservation Education Manager, Strawberry Plains Audubon Center in Holly Springs, MS
- **Fee:** $10

Note: There will be a Q&A, so if you have a question regarding decorating an evergreen tree, email Communiversity at outreach@olemiss.edu and your question will be discussed during the class session. Participants are encouraged to bring lunch!
Enroll Early: University of Mississippi Communiversity courses fill up quickly! To ensure a space in the class of your choice, please enroll now. We will accept registrations as long as there is room.

If the class you want is filled, we’ll put you on a wait list and notify you as soon as possible. You may choose to remain on the wait list, transfer to another class, or receive a refund. Every effort will be made to accommodate you—we’ve been known to create new class sections to meet your needs.

Designed for You: Our courses are designed for anyone interested in learning something new. They are designed for people of all ages, unless otherwise indicated, and do not require admission to the University.

Classes are short-term and focused to accommodate busy schedules. Truly “learning for learning’s sake,” we offer a no-pressure option to continue education for everyone regardless of age. There are no tests, papers, or grades.

Class Changes: We don’t like to make changes but sometimes it’s unavoidable. We reserve the right to change times, locations, or instructors. If we must cancel a class, we will make every effort to notify you immediately. Please provide daytime phone numbers so that we may contact you. You may then choose to transfer to another class or receive a full refund.

Location and Parking: Most Communiversity courses are offered on the University of Mississippi Oxford campus or at a specific location in Oxford. Parking permits are required if attending a class during normal business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m.).

Exact room, building locations, parking information, and directions will be emailed to you with confirmation of your enrollment.

If you have a disability or need specialized services, contact Gazel Giles at (662) 915-7158 in advance of your class to discuss your needs.

About Registration: The University of Mississippi is open year-round (excluding University-observed holidays). Several options for registration are available: online, fax, phone, mail-in and walk-in. Our regular hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Registration opens once the class is scheduled on the calendar. We usually try and close each class one week prior to the first day of each class. Some programs have limited enrollment and are filled on a first-come basis. You must register by the deadline. By enrolling early, you ensure your place in the class of your choice.

Payment must be made in full before the first day of class unless other arrangements have been made.

Fees: Fees are due at the time of registration, whether by mail, fax, phone, online or in person. Payment may be made in cash or by check (payable to the University of Mississippi), money order, or credit card (VISA or MasterCard ONLY). If registering by fax, phone or online, payment must be made using VISA or MasterCard. Please do not send cash through the mail.

If you are currently employed by the University of Mississippi as faculty or staff member, payroll deduction can be utilized in paying your registration fee for classes $60 or more.

Senior (55+) Discount*: Persons 55 years of age or older can take as many non-credit short courses as they like at a 10 percent (10%) discount on any course with a fee of $30 or more. If the fee is $29 or less seniors must pay the full course fee. The fee for seniors is subject to the Division’s refund policy. Note that the discount must be requested at the time of registration and that there is only one applicable discount per course.

* Senior discounts do not apply to any fee paid directly to the instructor, such as a supplies fee.

Student Discount: Current students enrolled full-time at the University are eligible for a $5 discount for classes $60 or more, unless otherwise noted. University Student ID may be required at time of enrollment.

5 Easy Ways to Enroll:

1. Registration Form: Register online at outreach.olemiss.edu/communiversity or by completing the registration form on page 12.

2. Fax: Fax your registration form to (662) 915-5138. If paying with a credit card, you MUST call to pay by giving your information to a staff member. Call (662) 915-7158 for Gazel Giles or (662) 915-7847 for Mary Leach.

3. Mail: Mail registration form with a check to: Division of Outreach and Continuing Education The University of Mississippi Office of Professional Development and Lifelong Learning (Communiversity) P.O. Box 1848 Jackson Avenue Center, Suite L University, MS 38677-1848

4. In Person: Register in person in the We are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Jackson Avenue Center, Suite L. Please ask for Gazel Giles or Mary Leach.

5. Phone: Register by phone using your VISA or MasterCard: (662) 915-7158.

Check us out at: outreach.olemiss.edu/communiversityfall
Professional Development

Marketing Your Business Using Social Media (Live)

Social media is one of the most exciting, highly effective communication tools that can provide powerful and cost-efficient marketing. Participants will walk away from this boot camp knowing how to set up and optimize social media sites, generate targeted leads via Facebook ads, generate traffic, increase returns on site investment, apply practical strategies, and navigate the do’s and don’ts of social media. A working knowledge of computers and the Internet is required. You must also have a valid email address set up before class.

Dates: Thursdays, October 5, 12, and 19
Meets: 6-7:30 p.m. Weir Hall Mac Lab, Rm 104
Instructor: Vanessa Cook—Vanessa serves as Assistant Director of Marketing specializing in all things social media for the Division of Outreach and Continuing Education.
Fee: $69

Notes: Class is held in a computer lab, but feel free to bring your laptop if you’d like to work on your personal computer.

Lifelong Learning

In collaboration with the Office of the Registrar, the Division of Outreach and Continuing Education’s Office of Professional Development and Lifelong Learning (PDLL) offers the UM Lifelong Learners Program, to senior students 65 years or older. Through this program, seniors may enroll in one academic course (up to 4 credit hours) that is being offered during the spring, fall or combined summer sessions tuition-free.* The Lifelong Learners attend class with University of Mississippi students on any UM campus.

Sound a bit scary? It’s not! Lifelong Learners, faculty, and students alike love it—and it’s so easy!

For more information, contact the Office of the Registrar.

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Fax: (662) 915-7793
Email: registrar@olemiss.edu
Website: www.olemiss.edu/registrar

“The interaction with the young people was the greatest thing I had experienced in a long time [but] the bottom line is the learning...the subject matter that makes me think. The people that I meet and interact with are just added blessings.”

Marguarite Henry, 71 years old

* The Lifelong Learner Scholarship covers base tuition only for one course (up to four hours).
SHRM-CP®/SHRM-SCP® Certification Preparation (Live)
The Society for Human Resource Management Certified Professional (SHRM-CP®) and SHRM Senior Certified Professional (SHRM-SCP®) credentials are the new standard for all HR professionals around the globe. These HR certifications focus on teaching and testing the practical, real-life information HR professionals need to excel in their careers today, including knowledge, skills, and competencies. The SHRM-SCP® is an intensive 36-hour program that combines expert instruction with the SHRM Learning System® for SHRM-CP®/SHRM-SCP®, so you will learn faster, retain more knowledge, and stay on track for success on the exam.

Dates: See class schedule below. Registration for Fall 2017 is now underway.
Meets: 6-8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Chris Byrd, SHRM-SCP®, SPHR-CA, Senior Human Resources Manager, BorgWarner Transmission Systems, and currently an active member the North Central MS HRA and Northern District Director.
Fees: Registration Fee: $1099
UM Alumni Fee: $1049
SHRM National Members: $999
Volume Registration: $999 (Companies registering 3 or more individuals)

* Payment plan is available: contact the PDLL office at (662) 915-7158 for details.

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Teach Mississippi Institute (TMI)
Teach Mississippi Institute (TMI) is an online Mississippi Department of Education-accredited alternate route program for college graduates seeking certification to teach in Mississippi. It is broken into two components, TMI 1 and TMI 2, both of which are taught online. TMI 1 covers classroom instruction, effective teaching strategies, classroom management, Mississippi College and Career-Ready Standards (MSCC-RS), planning and instructional methodologies, and use of testing as formative and summative evaluation tools. During the course, candidates will be required to participate in online discussions, take weekly unit quizzes, and submit weekly written assignments or lesson plans.

You should apply if you earned a bachelor’s degree in a non-education area from a nationally/regionally accredited institution of higher learning (or are entering your final semester), and possess extensive knowledge of art, biology, chemistry, Chinese, economics, English, family and consumer sciences, French, German, health, Latin, library/media, marketing, mathematics, music, physical education, physics, social studies, Spanish, speech communications, or special education. This program is for you if you want a secure and rewarding career that will impact hundreds of lives.

To request more information, visit our website at outreach.olemiss.edu/tmifall.

Online Test Preparation Courses
The University of Mississippi offers GRE®, LSAT®, and GMAT® online preparation courses through Cambridge Educational Services. Each course consists of 30 units of self-directed study, practice tests, and quizzes. Each unit is timed at approximately one hour. Students are provided with print instruction for best strategies for approaching each section of the test and guided practice in applying those strategies to numerous items and quizzes.

Students may also run self-diagnostic reports on their performance that will help them pinpoint item types and content areas for special attention. Students have a five-month access period to their specific course.

Visit our website at www.outreach.olemiss.edu/pdll/test_prep.html.
Ed2Go
Our instructor-facilitated online courses are informative, fun, convenient, and highly interactive. Choose from over 250 non-credit classes. All courses are project-oriented and include lessons, quizzes, hands-on assignments, discussion areas, supplementary links, and more.
New sessions begin monthly, including classes in the following categories:
• Accounting
• Business Administration
• Computer Applications
• Design and Composition
• Healthcare and Nutrition

Visit our website at Outreach.olemiss.edu/pdllonline.
* Educators seeking Continuing Education Units (CEU), visit the Teaching and Education category.

American Management Association (AMA)
AMA self-study online courses bring up-to-date, real world solutions for today’s business challenges. You get the latest management information, “how-to” explanations, practical examples, and real solutions to your daily challenges. Individuals, corporations and institutions can all benefit from these time-proven materials. Each course is filled with exercises relating the underlying theory to your every day work environment. The AMA approach to the material enables students to immediately apply course work to the job.
These self-paced classes are open enrollment and include both individual courses and certificate programs.
• Accounting
• Communications
• Customer Service
• Finance for Managers
• Human Resources
• Manufacturing/Operations
• Manufacturing/Quality
• Project Management
• Purchasing
• Strategic Planning
• and many more

For more information or to register, visit Outreach.olemiss.edu/pdllonline.

UGotClass Online Courses and Certificate Programs
Need to enhance your skills for the 21st century? UGotClass has you covered.
Take just one course or earn a certificate in any of the 14 categories. Experts teach these online courses, and you can work at your own pace. You will learn through a multi-media platform with readings, video lectures, and discussion boards all online on the UGotClass website.
We are proud to offer more than 100 online course topics and numerous certificate programs through our partnership with UGotClass in:
• Career Skills
• Leadership
• LEED Green Workplace
• New Media Marketing
• Training for K-12 Teachers

For more information or to register, visit Outreach.olemiss.edu/pdllonline.

Online E-Learning Healthcare Courses from Health Ed Today
Health Ed Today courses are highly interactive and provide students with an enriched learning experience. Each course includes:
• 24-hour-a-day instructor support and course mentors
• Engaging labs, student exercises, and course videos
• All textbooks, workbooks, & student materials

These online courses are available anytime:
• Pharmacy Technician
• Clinical Medical Assistant
• Dental Assisting
• Medical Billing and Coding
• Medical Coding ICD-10
• EKG Technician
• Electronic Health Records Management
• Phlebotomy Technician
• Medical Administrative Assistant
• Dialysis Technician
• Medical Terminology
• ECG/EKG Course for Nurses

For more information or to register, visit Outreach.olemiss.edu/pdllonline.
Workshops and Conferences

Advanced Placement Summer Institute (APSI)

This Summer AP™ Institute has been endorsed by the College Board for Training of High School Teachers.

July 16-20, 2018
Inn at Ole Miss – University of Mississippi

AP® Summer Institutes provide teachers with an overview of the curriculum structure and content of specific AP® courses. Attention is devoted to the development of AP® curriculum, teaching strategies, and the relationship of the course to the AP® Exam. The Institutes provide tremendous curriculum staff development opportunities for both new and experienced AP® teachers. Through this training, the AP® teacher receives content, skills, and strategies to connect students to college success. Instructors are experienced Advanced Placement teachers whom the College Board has certified to teach AP® Institute courses and have demonstrated their ability to help other teachers prepare to teach Advanced Placement classes.

For more information, please visit outreach.olemiss.edu/apsi

Teaching with Informational Texts

- Secondary (6-12) – September 20
- Elementary (K-5) – September 27
Do your students struggle with informational text? Do you wonder where to find appropriate nonfiction texts? Join us as we spend the day looking at strategies and best practices designed to help your students tackle these types of texts. We will focus on reading and writing strategies to ensure success on the MAP performance task. In addition, we will share our go-to resources for finding developmentally appropriate texts.

Teaching Grammar in Context

- Secondary (6-12) – October 4
- Elementary (K-5) – October 25
We know we are supposed to teach grammar “in context,” but what does that look like in the classroom? Learn how to ditch the worksheets and get your students to apply grammar lessons to their own writing. We will investigate strategies and best practices intended to help students polish their drafts and become stronger writers.

Transforming Talk into Text: Discussion Strategies that Work

- Secondary (6-12) – November 1
Students love to talk, so how can we harness that desire and transform their talk into text? In order for students to learn to write cohesive compositions, they must first learn the art of discussion, which helps build their analysis and problem-solving skills. Join us and learn ways to promote inquiry and improve student writing through authentic discussion strategies, both formal and informal.

For more information or to register visit outreach.olemiss.edu/writing_project/wednesdayworkshops.html.

UM Writing Project

2017 Fall Workshop Series for Teachers

The University of Mississippi Writing Project seeks to empower teachers to improve thinking, writing, teaching, and learning through access, diversity, and equity; through relevant and current teaching practices; and through teacher expertise, leadership, and reflection.

All sessions are from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. All workshops are held either at the Jackson Avenue Center or the UM Depot. Workshops are $125 each—includes lunch. CEUs are available for an additional $20 fee. Schools may send four teachers for the price of three for all programs.
Speed Reading
Professional Development and Lifelong Learning will offer our second Speed Reading and Study Strategies program. In just two weekends, typical participants increase their effectiveness as both a reader and student, better equipping them to manage the competing demands of their time.

Based on results from the program at other universities, this program teaches strategies for reading textbooks twice as fast and reading most non-fiction books, novels, and journal articles three times faster. Not only do typical participants learn to read faster, but they also learn to understand and retain information better. In addition, this course will provide you with skills to prepare for tests efficiently without extensive rereading.

The Institute of Reading Development provides instruction for this course. For more than 40 years, the Institute has provided instruction for many other leading universities and colleges. We are excited to begin our partnership with the Institute of Reading Development.

This program is open to all students, staff, and community members. For more information contact the Office of Professional Development and Lifelong Learning at pdll@olemiss.edu.

Dates: September 16, 17, 23, and 24

Online Test Preparation Courses
The University of Mississippi offers ACT®, SAT®, and PSAT® online preparation courses through Cambridge Educational Services. Each course consists of 30 units of self-directed study, practice tests, and quizzes. Each unit is timed at approximately one hour. Students are provided with print instruction for best strategies for approaching each section of the test and guided practice in applying those strategies to numerous items and quizzes. Students may also run self-diagnostic reports on their performance that will help them pinpoint item types and content areas for special attention. Students have a five-month access period to their specific course.

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Youth Programs
Safe Sitter®
Safe Sitter® is a program for 11-14 year olds in which participants learn life-saving skills so they can be safe if home alone or watching younger children. Participants play fun games and do role-playing exercises. They also learn fundamental CPR and first aid practices to help rescue someone who is choking. At the end of the class, participants will be prepared to handle whatever situation arises while babysitting.

Date: Saturday, November 4
Meets: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. HR Training and Development Room, Insight Park
Instructor: Gazel Giles, Program Coordinator
Fee: $45 plus $20 cost for the Official Safe Sitter® Babysitter’s Handbook
Registration Form

Please print legibly.

Name ___________________________________________ Additional Names ____________________________________

Mailing Address ____________________________________________________________

City __________________________________________ State ________ ZIP ______________________

Email Address ________________________________________________________________ Daytime Phone ____________________________

In case of an emergency, contact Phone __________________________

I would like to enroll in:

Course Title: __________________________________________ Fee: $ __________

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Course Title: __________________________________________ Fee: $ __________

Course Title: __________________________________________ Fee: $ __________

Total: $ __________

Are you 55 years or older? □ Yes □ No…If yes, subtract 10% if class is $30 or more. − $ __________

Subtotal: $ __________

Add Supplies/Materials Fees, if applicable: $ __________

Final Total Due: $ __________

Are you a University of Mississippi employee? □ Yes □ No

Would you like to use payroll deduction for a class $60 or more? □ Yes □ No

If yes, what is your Pers. #_________ How many payroll periods? □ 2 □ 4 □ 6

Mail completed form and payment to: The University of Mississippi
Outreach and Continuing Education
Jackson Avenue Center, Suite L
Post Office Box 1848
University, MS 38677-1848

Checks payable to: University of Mississippi
Any questions, call (662) 915-7158 or 7847

Are you interested in teaching a class to share your skills and/or expertise? We encourage community/ faculty/staff members to join our team by teaching a class on behalf UM’s Division of Outreach.

If interested, please check here □

Email Address: __________________________________________ A proposal form will be emailed to you at this address.
Open to see more of what we do!