

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at University of Alaska Fairbanks
2018 Annual Report**

Membership and Enrollments 2001 – 2018

Year	Paid Memberships	# of Courses	Course Enrollment
2001	192	29	619
2002	231	35	833
2003	285	57	1516
2004	314	73	1660
2005	390	76	1892
2006	434	95	2504
2007	505	95	2450
2008	576	100	2550
2009	637	104	2730
2010	697	127	3158
2011	691	136	3039
2012	690	150	3665
2013	717	169	4463
2014	723	174	4319
2015	739	209	4728
2016	781	234	5017
2017	793	250	5086
2018	894	262	4985

Fee Structure in 2018

Regular Membership: \$35/year + \$15/course

Unlimited Membership: \$185/year + \$0/course

Some courses have additional materials or facility use fees that apply to all students.

ACTIVITIES

Courses

In 2018 we offered 139 courses in the spring and 123 in the fall.

Winter Lecture Series 2018-2019

These were held at the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center downtown and were open to the public. Topics are Alaskan, and the lecturers are well known local experts. Lectures were scheduled so participants could enjoy “First Friday” events in town after each lecture.

Dec. 7, 2018: *Case Solved: Truth at last, but no justice in Hartman murder saga* by Brian Patrick O’Donoghue

Jan. 4, 2019: *Fruits, Berries, and Surprising Things that Grow in Alaska*, by Tom Zimmer

March 1, 2019: *Narrative Sovereignty and Native Representation in Film and TV*, by Princess Daazhrai Johnson (NOTE: This was held in March because our usual February date had to be rescheduled.)

2nd Century of UAF Lecture Series

This series of free lectures open to the public was created in 2016 as “Professor’s Choice” and renamed in 2018. This lecture series aspires to share with OLLI members and the general public some of the wealth of knowledge and experience of the University of Alaska Fairbanks faculty. The series spotlights UAF professors and professors emeriti, encouraging them to share topics of their own choice.

The lectures were held Monday evenings during spring Session I and Monday evenings in Thursdays evenings during fall Session I, both in Murie Auditorium. OLLI members could register for the series as a free class but registration was not required.

Feb. 12: *The Future of Volcanology*, by John Eichelberger, former UAF Dean of the Graduate School and Professor Emeritus of Volcanology

Feb. 19: *The Future of Permafrost*, by Vladimir Romanovsky, UAF Professor of Geosciences

Feb. 26: *Future Insights: An Outlook*, by Dave Norton, UAF interdisciplinary high-latitude science researcher

March 5: *Future Insights: An Outlook*, by Dave Norton, UAF interdisciplinary high-latitude science researcher (NOTE: We repeated this lecture because the originally-scheduled speaker had to cancel on short notice, and weather issues had affected attendance at the Feb. 26 lecture.)

Sept. 13: *History of technical magazines and publications at UAF*, by Carla Helfferich, former media professional at the Geophysical Institute

Sept. 20: *Volcanology, climate change, and geoengineering*, by Dr. Jim Beget, Professor Emeritus of Geology

Sept. 27: *Alaska dinosaur and fossil investigations*, by Dr. Patrick Druckenmiller, Associate Professor of Geology and Curator of Earth Sciences at the UA Museum of the North

Oct. 4: *The Anthropocene: a new geologic era created by human activities*, by Dr. Roger Kaye, US Fish & Wildlife Service

Summer Day Trips (One-Day Educational/Recreational Events)

May 21	Hoarfrost Distilling Tour
July 2	Tour of Miniature Horse Farm
July 10	Alaska Senior Games: Sport Training for the Curious and Daring
July 13	Garden Tour with Treats (Melody & Gerald Springer)
August 20	Bird Banding: “A bird in the hand is well worth it”
October 11	Tour of New UAF Power Plant

Special Interest Groups (educational and recreational clubs led by OLLI members)

Diabetes (new in 2018, meets quarterly)

Hiking Club

Let’s Travel

Lifelong Learning Book Club

Mah-jong

OLLI Art Club

Pinochle

Rock Hounds

When Poems Happen

Social Gatherings (held at University Community Presbyterian Church, 3510 College Road)

Annual Meeting and Lunch for current members, Fri. March 14, 2018

Fall Kick-Off Ice Cream Social for members and potential members, Wed. Sept. 5, 2018

ADMINISTRATION**Staff and Leadership**

OLLI is a program of UAF Summer Sessions and Lifelong Learning (SSLL) and enjoys excellent support and advocacy from the Director of SSLL. The OLLI staff in 2018 consisted of OLLI Program Director (full-time) and two Office Assistants (part-time) until November, when our new Administrative Generalist position was filled. It is a permanent, benefitted position, full time while OLLI classes are in session and half time the rest of the year.

OLLI members are involved in the member-elected OLLI Advisory Board, on committees, and as classroom assistants. There is healthy and productive cooperation between the staff and volunteers.

Facilities

The University of Alaska Fairbanks provides an office for OLLI and access to general-use classrooms at no cost to the program. The office and most classes are located in the University Park Building, an off-campus building with ample parking and easy access. UAF's Cooperative Extension Service allows us to use their kitchen to prepare coffee.

Publications

Two Course Schedule catalogs (Spring and Fall) were mailed to members and potential members in late January and early August. Members could choose to receive a catalog in the mail, pick their catalog up in person at the OLLI office, or forgo a paper catalog and use the online resources.

A monthly newsletter was emailed to all members who have email addresses, as well as other interested people. The newsletter was also printed and posted on a bulletin board outside the OLLI office, and is available for download from the OLLI website.

FINANCES

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAF derives its support from several sources:

1. The University of Alaska Fairbanks provides an office, classrooms, audio/visual equipment, internet connections, personnel services, and financial services.
2. Osher Lifelong Learning Endowment generates earnings.
3. Membership fees provide income for direct expenditures.
4. Individual donations were made to both the endowment and to spendable funds.
5. Volunteers provide instruction and committee participation.

See the last page for OLLI income and expenses in 2018, and projected numbers for 2019.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS in 2018

- 1. We finished the year in the black financially for the eighth year in a row.**
- 2. We achieved our major goals to satisfy our \$25,000 capacity-building grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation.**
 - We had 14% more paid members in 2018 than in 2016 (our goal was 10%).
 - We had 147 unique donors in 2018 (our goal was 130, double the 65 donors we had in 2016).
- 3. We set another record for number of courses offered in the calendar year (see chart on page 1).**
- 4. Members donated \$28,952 to our spendable funds and \$6,750 to our permanent endowment.**
- 5. We used donations to fund an upgrade of the smart classroom system in UPark 151.**

Upgrades include better vocal amplification of instructors for improved student hearing, a brighter projector, and a new computer. The work was done in January and February 2019 and is in use for spring 2019 classes.

6. We created and filled a new permanent benefitted office assistant position (“Administrative Generalist”). (See ADMINISTRATION – Staff and Leadership, above.)

New hire Amy Marsh is doing a fantastic job.

7. We worked with UAF’s ADA compliance officer to improve handicap access to the UPark building.

Grab bars were installed at the only door that has a step, and also happens to be the door closest to our most-used classroom.

The number of handicap-designated parking spaces increased from 2 to 4.

The door closest to the handicap parking spaces is now unlocked every day, so people parking there don’t have to walk or roll outside in the snow and ice. It’s easier and safer to cover the distance indoors.

GOALS FOR 2019

1. Have a majority of members comfortable with registering themselves online with our new system by fall 2019.

Starting in spring 2019, we left ProClass (our registration system vendor 2014 – 2018) and joined with other noncredit UA programs in using Augusoft Lumens. Staff and volunteers created profiles for members and entered class requests for spring.

2. Increase UAF-OLLI’s outreach and diversity.

Increase participation in OLLI by a broader cross-section of the Fairbanks over-50 population.

3. Maintain the growth we achieved in number of paid members and number of individual donors.

4. Have push-button door openers installed at the entrance nearest the handicap parking spaces.

2019 Budget - Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAF

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget
Income		
Membership, Classes, Fees, Parking	105,694	105,000
Osher Endowment Earnings	44,262	63,691
Donations (spendable)	28,952	25,000
Donations (carryover from prev. year)	8,500	15,000
Osher Capacity-Building Grant	25,000	0
Other (Dinners in Homes)	0	750
Income Total	212,408	209,441

Expenses		
Salaries	73,985	82,600
Benefits	41,211	60,100
Equip/Supplies	12,589	24,500
Services		
Copies	1,112	1,000
Printing & Publication Design	12,425	10,000
Postage	709	800
Administrative Services	5,319	3,000
Phone	765	800
Advertising	3,785	2,000
Credit Card Fees	3,342	3,500
Parking	8,890	9,000
Class fees, pass-through	5,322	5,000
Socials, Coffee, etc.	6,438	4,000
Donations (carryover to next year)	15,000	0
National OLLI Conference	1,117	0
Expenses Total	192,009	206,300

Net	20,399	3,141
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UAF-OLLI Financial Assets 2018

1) UAF-OLLI Endowment History

Year	Endowment Balance	Change from Prior Period	
2008	\$ 999,856		
2009	\$ 1,042,194	\$ 42,338	4.2%
2010	\$ 1,139,983	\$ 97,789	9.4%
2011	\$ 1,131,981	\$ (8,002)	-0.7%
2012	\$ 1,201,973	\$ 69,992	6.2%
2013	\$ 1,302,627	\$ 100,654	8.4%
2014	\$ 1,269,971	\$ (32,656)	-2.5%
2015	\$ 1,174,812	\$ (95,159)	-7.5%
2016	\$ 1,187,854	\$ 13,042	1.1%
2017	\$ 1,273,018	\$ 85,163	7.2%
2018	\$ 1,271,408	\$ (1,610)	-0.1%

Cum. Fund Increase \$ 271,552
 Investment Period (Years) 10.0
 Avg. Increase/Year \$ 27,140

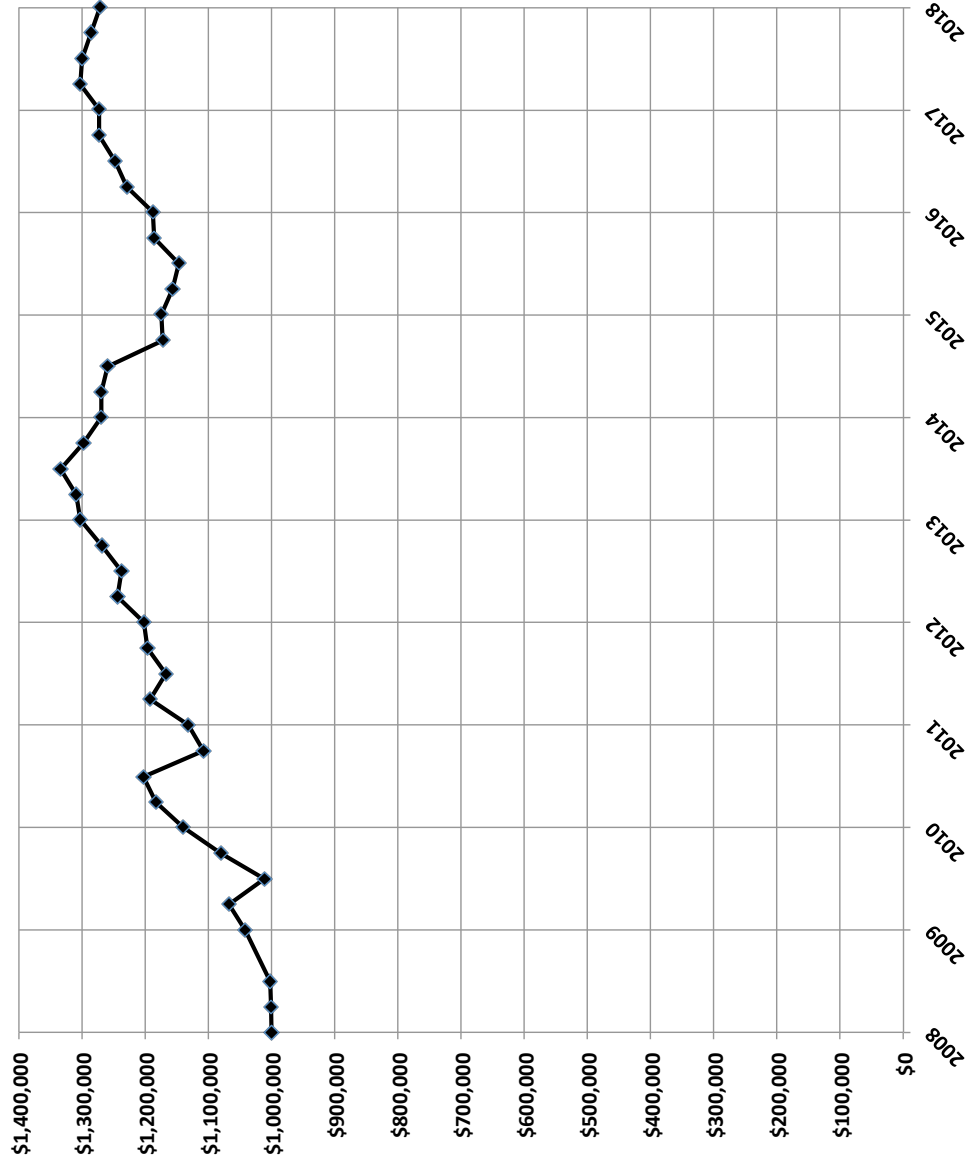
2) OLLI Spendable Accounts

Spendable Grant Fund	\$ (47,717)
UAF Agency Fund	\$ 234,846
OLLI Annual Fund	\$ 24,353
Spendable Endowment	\$ 85,373
Petty Cash	\$ 348
Total Spendable Balance	\$ 297,203

3) Donations to OLLI in 2018

Donations to Endowment	\$ 6,750
Donations to Spendable	\$ 28,952

UAF-OLLI Endowment Balance at Year End (2008 - 2018)



* Balances are unofficial, pending official quarterly reports from the UA Foundation.