

New Opportunities for Lifelong Learning with Semester at Sea

The OLLI National Resource Center is pleased to announce a new alliance with Semester at Sea, the world's leader in global education for nearly 50 years. This joint collaboration will make many more unique and exciting educational travel experiences available to OLLI members who are looking for lifelong learning adventures of varying lengths that will take them to the far corners of the world as part of a multi-generational shipboard community of undergraduates, adults, and families.

With more than 50,000 alumni worldwide – from college undergraduates to lifelong learners who have each participated in culturally rich and diverse multi-country visits highlighted by cultural exchanges, home stays, extended excursions, and intellectual discovery – Semester at Sea is the pioneer in promoting global awareness through shipboard education.

It is now possible for OLLI members and faculty to not only take advantage of these lifelong learning experiences but also to receive reduced and group rates for 100 day around-the-world voyages as well as 10-21 day Enrichment Voyages. The Fall 2009 voyage is offering a special 2-for-1 promotion for Lifelong Learners, however registration for this would have to be completed by August 7. The next Enrichment Voyage, which offers in-depth opportunities for personal growth and cultural discovery, is May 2010 to the Caribbean. OLLI members will receive a 10% group discount off standard rates, plus one free voyage for every fifteen paying lifelong learners. This would be an excellent opportunity for an OLLI faculty to offer an Enrichment Session on a topic of interest to other OLLI members and receive a free voyage by organizing a group of fifteen from a local OLLI.

The links below are for more information about Semester at Sea, the Fall and Spring voyages, the Lifelong Learners program, and the Enrichment Voyages. OLLI directors, please pass this announcement on to all OLLI members, especially Trips and Travel committee members.

2009 and 2010 Fall and Spring Promotions: <http://www.semesteratsea.org/what-s-new-at-sas-/press-releases/sail-as-a-lifelong-learner-new-promotions-available.php> (Contact Debbie Rushing: 434-243-4301, or drushing@ise.virginia.edu)

Lifelong Learners Program and Enrichment Voyages General Information: <http://www.semesteratsea.org/lifelong-learners/overview/enrichment-opportunities.php> (Contact Steven Abbott: 800 854-0195, or sabbott@ise.virginia.edu)