# WINTER 2025 ICL STUDY GROUPS

JANUARY 7 – FEBRUARY 6 REGISTER BY DECEMBER 20





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### Variety – The Spice of Life Coordinators: Mike and Marilyn Glass Jan 7 - Jan 28 (4 Sessions) Zoom



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Experiencing Art
Coordinators: Basilio King, Christopher Melby
and Alfredo Rodriguez
Jan 7 – Feb 4 (5 Sessions)
On Campus

This workshop offers an opportunity to explore different techniques and forms of art, such as brush painting, pen and ink, watercolor, and drawing. All levels of experience and expertise are welcome. Participants will bring their own supplies and materials and will work independently. While class facilitators and participants can offer encouragement, ideas and suggestions to each other, this will NOT be an instructional class.

Fun and Games Coordinator: Nancy Mieszala Jan 7 – Feb 4 (5 Sessions) On Campus



Interested in competing with your ICLRU friends in this class to satisfy the ace in you? Join us in playing Quiddler, Rummikub, Ticket to Ride and other games. Join us in our fun and games. It's always great to learn a new game.

After Dinner Conversation: Philosophy/Ethics Short Stories

Coordinators: Ruth Sellers & Lynn Shevelenko

Jan 7 – Jan 21 (3 Sessions)

### On Campus

"After Dinner Conversation" is a monthly eMagazine that publishes compelling "what if" scenarios of original philosophy and ethics short stories across genres. Accompanying discussion questions are provided to encourage intentional reflection and respectful debate. Copies of each week's short stories will be sent to participants via e-mail. NOTE: eCopies may be available from your local library. For more information about this eMagazine see https://www.afterdinnerconversation.com/magazine



Mastering PowerPoint Essentials and Classroom Technology

Coordinator: Jeffery Gray

Jan 7 (1 Session)

On Campus

Join this engaging study group designed to equip participants with the skills to effectively use Microsoft PowerPoint to design presentations and gain confidence in leveraging classroom technology. Participants will gain hands-on experience and valuable insights into creating captivating presentations and utilizing technology to enhance classroom learning. Learn to incorporate multimedia elements, i.e., images, video, audio, transitions and more. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptop computers to the class; however, if you are unable to bring your own equipment, you will benefit from this program as it will be held in the RU Computer Lab.

The Supreme Court: 2023-2024 Term

Coordinator: Les Miller Jan 14 – Feb 4 (4 Sessions)

On Campus & Zoom

This study group will discuss some of the most significant cases from the Supreme Court's last term, including presidential immunity and cases limiting the power of governmental agencies.

### Mastering Keynote Essentials and Classroom Technology

Coordinator: Andrea Basalay

Jan 14 (1 Session)

### On Campus

Join this engaging study group designed to equip participants with the skills to effectively use Keynote for MAC to design presentations and gain confidence in leveraging classroom technology. Participants will gain hands-on experience and valuable insights into creating captivating presentations and utilizing technology to enhance classroom learning. Learn to incorporate multimedia elements, i.e., images, video, audio, transitions and more. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptop computers to the class; however, if you are unable to bring your own equipment, you will benefit from this program.



### How Colors Affect You: What Science Reveals Coordinator: Beth Lloyd Jan 21 – Feb 4 (3 Sessions) On Campus

There's more to colors than just aesthetics. There's an actual science behind how colors work on your eyes and your brain. And the secrets that scientists are uncovering offer astounding revelations on how colors influence the way you think, feel, and behave—often without your conscious awareness.

### Puccini's La Bohème: An Introduction Coordinator: Ruth Sellers Jan 28 (1 Session)

On Campus & Zoom



Perhaps the most well-known, and certainly one of the most beloved, Puccini's La Bohème remains one of the most performed operas worldwide. Beautiful love story, memorable music, rich setting, themes of friendship, enlightenment and "good" versus "evil", well-developed plot, and relatable story make La Bohème a timeless classic. This one-week class will explore these topics as well as musical highlights, historical and cultural events of 1830s Paris, and the background of Puccini, and his librettists.



Current Events
Coordinator: Joan Brody
Jan 8 – Jan 29 (4 Sessions)
Zoom

Participate in interactive, stimulating, informative and controversial discussions of domestic and international current events. We'll discuss State and Federal politics, important Supreme Court decisions and events that touch on all of us. Your participation will make for exciting and fascinating sessions. All Democrats, Republicans and Independents are welcome!

FDR's "First 100 Days"
Coordinator: Bob Masterson
Jan 8 (1 Session)
On Campus & Zoom



Very soon the "First 100 Days" of the new administration will begin; a now common benchmark used to judge the productivity of a President. In this session we will look the origin of "The First 100 Days." Coined by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1933, we will look at his first 100 days in office, a period of intense legislative action that laid the foundation for the New Deal. We will learn how FDR's bold and swift measures transformed the federal government's role during the Great Depression, reshaping American society and setting a precedent for future administrations. We will look at key policies and examine how FDR's approach to governance helped restore hope and set the stage for recovery.

### **WEDNESDAYS 1:00-3:00**



Flower in You – Advanced Coordinator: Judy Krakowiak Jan 8 – Feb 5 (5 Sessions) On Campus

One Stroke acrylic painting technique continues. A \$5 supply fee will be collected at the first session. NOTE: This study group is only available to those who have previously participated in 5 or more classes.

### America's Love-Hate Relationship with Guns Coordinator: Jeffery Gray Jan 8 – Jan 15 (2 Sessions)

On Campus & Zoom



Join us for an engaging and enlightening class that explores the intricate relationship between America and its love affair with guns, and the Second Amendment! Whether you're a gun owner, a non-gun owner, or simply someone intrigued by the cultural and legal aspects of firearms in the United States, this class promises something for everyone.

Throughout this course, we'll delve into: The historical roots and contemporary interpretations of the Second Amendment, key Supreme Court and lower court decisions that have shaped the landscape of gun rights and regulations, an indepth look at concealed carry laws and how they vary across states, the debates surrounding assault rifle bans and the use of bump stocks, and the pivotal Bruen decision by the U.S. Supreme Court and its impact on the current state of the law.

Expect lively discussions, expert insights, and a balanced examination of the issues that keep this topic at the forefront of national discourse. This is not just a class—it's an opportunity to understand the complexities, passions, and legal frameworks that define America's unique relationship with guns.



The Pre-Columbian Civilizations of Mesoamerica and the Central Andes Coordinator: Andrea Zietlow Jan 15 – Feb 5 (4 Sessions)

On Campus & Zoom

We've all learned about the ancient civilizations of the Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans. But, what about those in our own backyard --- those of Mesoamerica and the Central Andes? For 3000 years before the Spanish conquest, indigenous societies flourished in these regions. In spite of having no contact with other ancient civilizations, they developed very complex societies with well-planned cities and amazing architecture, skilled craftsmanship, and many technological advancements. Join me as we explore the remarkable accomplishments of these fascinating peoples.

### Mastering Google Slides Essentials and Classroom Technology Coordinator: Gene Flynn

Jan 22 (1 Session)

### On Campus

Join this engaging study group designed to equip participants with the skills to effectively use Google Slides to design presentations and gain confidence in leveraging classroom technology. Participants will gain hands-on experience and valuable insights into creating captivating presentations and utilizing technology to enhance classroom learning. Learn to incorporate multimedia elements, i.e., images, video, audio, and more. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptop computers to the class; however, if you are unable to bring your own equipment, you will benefit from this program as it will be held in the RU Computer Lab with access to computers. Participants will need access to a Google account to create presentations using Google Slides.



Aaron Burr: American Intrigue Coordinator: Joyce Haworth Jan 29 (1 Session) On Campus & Zoom

What became of Aaron Burr after his famous duel with Alexander Hamilton? This smooth-talker, who had a knack for separating people from their money, headed to the western territories. There he engaged in intrigue, international double-dealing and what many historians regard as attempted insurrection and treason. Or — was our "Falling Founding Father" innocent of all wrong-doing? Joyce Haworth will shed light on the duplicitous Burr and the shifting loyalties on the American frontier.

## How to Protect What's Yours in Today's (and Tomorrow's) World Coordinator: Ed Booth

Feb 5 (1 Session)

### On Campus & Zoom

Our world has changed drastically and rapidly due to advances in technology. Unfortunately, criminals have adapted and use the changes to the detriment of the rest of us. Unless we change the way we conduct our lives, many things we've done previously can put us at risk of monetary and security loss. This class will explore these vulnerabilities and suggest ways to mitigate them.



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Come Play Bridge Coordinator: Andrea Zietlow Jan 9 – Feb 6 (5 Sessions) On Campus

This study group is for people who already know how to play bridge. Join us if you would like to meet other ICL members who play and want to have more opportunities to play the game. We welcome those who have recently learned the game as well as intermediate and advanced players. We will be playing for FUN, not cutthroat! Hopefully we can all learn from one another. **NOTE: This is an ongoing study group, but new participants are always welcome.** 

Gallipoli: The Fateful Campaign that

**Shaped Nations** 

Coordinator: John Smith Jan 23- Jan 30 (2 Sessions)

On Campus & Zoom



The Gallipoli campaign is considered a major defeat for the Allies, but is seen as a defining moment in the national consciousness of Australia and New Zealand. It also solidified Mustafa Kemal Atatürk's reputation as a military leader, later leading to his role in founding modern Turkey. The class will explore this pivotal battle and include pictures from my visit to the battlefield last Spring.

### THURSDAYS 12:00-1:45 (NOTE SPECIAL TIME)

Roosevelt University College of Pharmacy Coordinators: Beth Lloyd – Jan 23,

Ruth Sellers - Jan 30

Guest Speaker Coordinator: Nathaniel Nguyen Guest Speakers: Laura Licari, Rodrigo Estrada

Jan 23 - Jan 30 (2 Sessions)

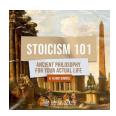
On Campus & Zoom



**Session 1:** <u>Diabetes and Management</u> will provide a general overview of how our body is affected by diabetes along with related topics, i.e., general signs/symptoms of diabetes, lab values and frequency of screening, medications that people tend to take for diabetes and how it works mechanistically in our body, counseling points and common reactions to the medications, directions on how to measure blood glucose, directions on how to inject insulin, directions on how to use different diabetes injectables (Ozempic, Monjaro, Victoza, Bydureon, and more).

Session 2: Over the Counter Medications, Preventative Care, and Immunizations We will be discussing over the counter treatments for common issues which include pain, colds, cough, heartburn, and more. We will also be discussing examples of preventative care, the importance of preventative care, and immunizations that are recommended at specific ages.

### **THURSDAYS 1:00-3:00**



Stoicism for a World out of Your Control Coordinator: Paul Wherry Jan 9 – Jan 16 (2 Sessions) On Campus

Ancient wisdom to help find control and happiness in modern times. Stoicism is a philosophical way of life that began in ancient Greece, flourished in ancient Rome, influenced the early Christian church and the founders of the United States. We will cover the basic concepts of Stoicism and some modern adaptations.

Brahms - His Life and Music Coordinator: Gene Flynn Jan 16 - Feb 6 (4 Sessions) On Campus & Zoom



With the help of Professor Robert Greenberg, we will explore the life and music of Brahms. He is considered one of the most important composers in classical music history and is often named as one of the "Three B's" of classical music, along with Bach and Beethoven. Brahms's work was vital in the creation of modern music, and he is known for his ability to combine the Classical and Romantic eras in his compositions.



DNA: Is This Something You Want to Use for Making Your Family Tree? Coordinator: Merle Silverstein Guest Speaker: Bob Silverstein Jan 23 - Jan 30 (2 Sessions)

On Campus & Zoom

If you have or are thinking about creating a family tree, you probably know about using DNA as part that process. We will start by discussing how genetics can help find relatives and cover reasons for not using this technology. This part of the talk will include matters of privacy. However, I can help you decide whether you even want to use DNA in your research. If you opt to make genetics part of your family story, then I will cover what to expect and how to use it. I will share some of my finds and hope you will share your questions, successes, and brick walls. These talks are for novices and intermediate level genealogists. You do not need a family tree, an online account, or DNA test.

Local Tourist: Exploring Close to Home or

**Just Beyond** 

Coordinator: Becky Booth

please come prepared to share!

Feb 6 (1 Session)

### On Campus

Longtime NW Suburban resident and new ICL member Becky Booth will share some favorite places the 'locals' might have missed. If 'cabin fever' is closing in, this will be a fun time learning about nearby places to check out for learning, entertainment, or food. Interaction will be encouraged, so



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- 21. Aaron Burr OC Jan 29 (1 Session)
- 22. Aaron Burr **Z**Jan 29 (1 Session)
- 23. Protect What's Yours OC Feb 5 (1 Session)
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- 32. Brahms OC
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  Jan 16-Feb 6 (4 Sessions)
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- 35. DNA Z
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- 36. Local Tourist OC Feb 6 (1 Session)

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