# Some Learning Resources For Seniors

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#### Hello, friends!

If you're here, it's because you want to learn what the Internet has to offer. Now, the Internet is a wide and wondrous place, but it doesn't have to be intimidating. Sure, there are over 175 million websites on the Internet today (and that's just counting the ones that people actually use), but at Techboomers, we've done the sorting and heavy lifting for you.

Here, you'll find tutorials on the most popular and useful websites on the Internet, from social networks and dating sites to everyday tools for getting directions and knowing what the weather's going to be like. You can even learn how to listen to music, watch videos, and have phone calls right on your computer through the power of the Internet! Plus, we have special resources dedicated to 50+ adults.

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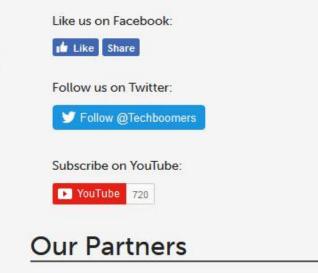
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Our founder, Steve Black, got the idea for Techboomers when he ran into the problem of how to teach his mom and other relatives how to use the Internet while he was busy running his SEO consulting business. When he couldn't find a website with free, clear, and up-to-date lessons that could let his relatives learn on their own, he decided to make one himself. Using his business savvy, he recruited a team of writers, videographers, marketers, and website developers, and his vision for Techboomers came to life.

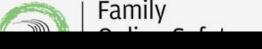
In this sense, Techboomers is a thank-you gift to the "baby boomer" generation (hence our name). They taught us how to grow up in their world, so now we're returning the favour by teaching them how to keep up with our world. Of course, Techboomers isn't just for older adults; anyone looking to advance beyond basic computer skills, or just wanting to learn about a new website, is welcome to learn with us.

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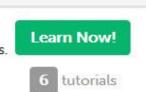
Techboomers will walk you through how to use websites that let you get in touch with almost anyone on the planet, whether they're just across town or on another continent. Whether you're looking for someone to date, a group of people who discuss the things that you like, or an old friend you haven't seen in a while, there's a website for it... and Techboomers will teach it to you.

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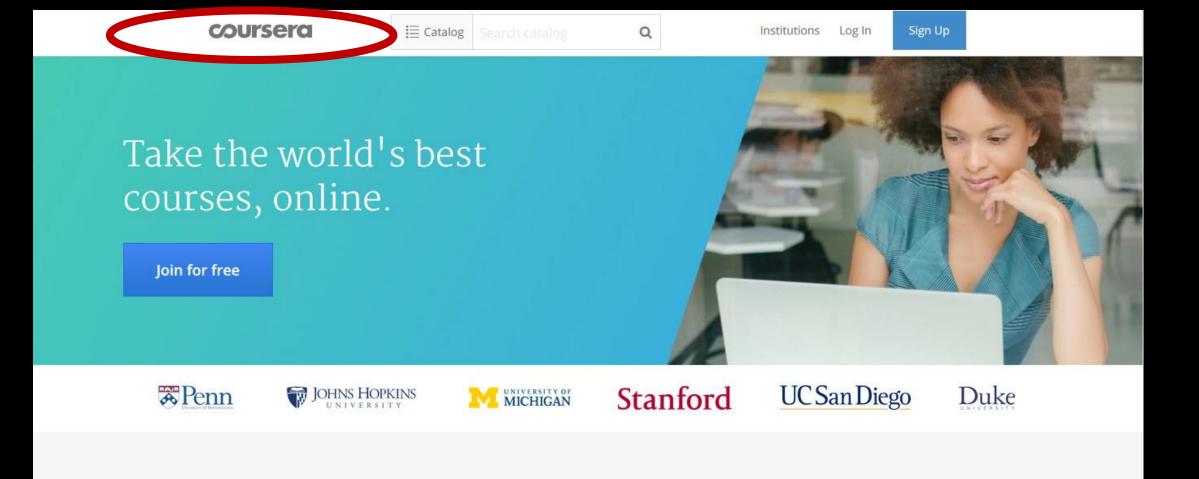
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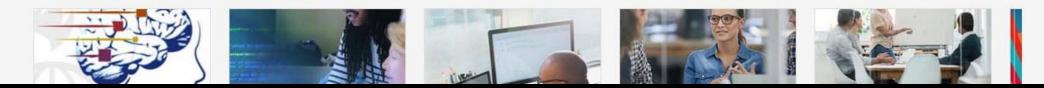
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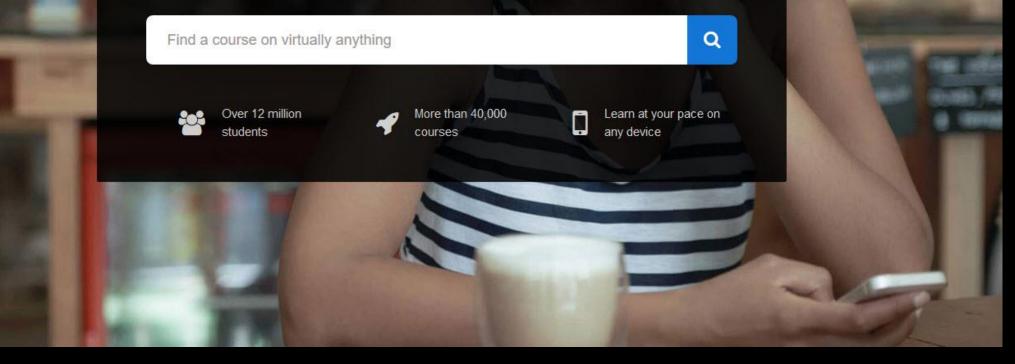
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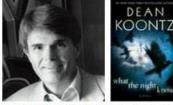


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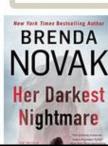
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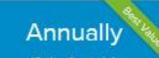
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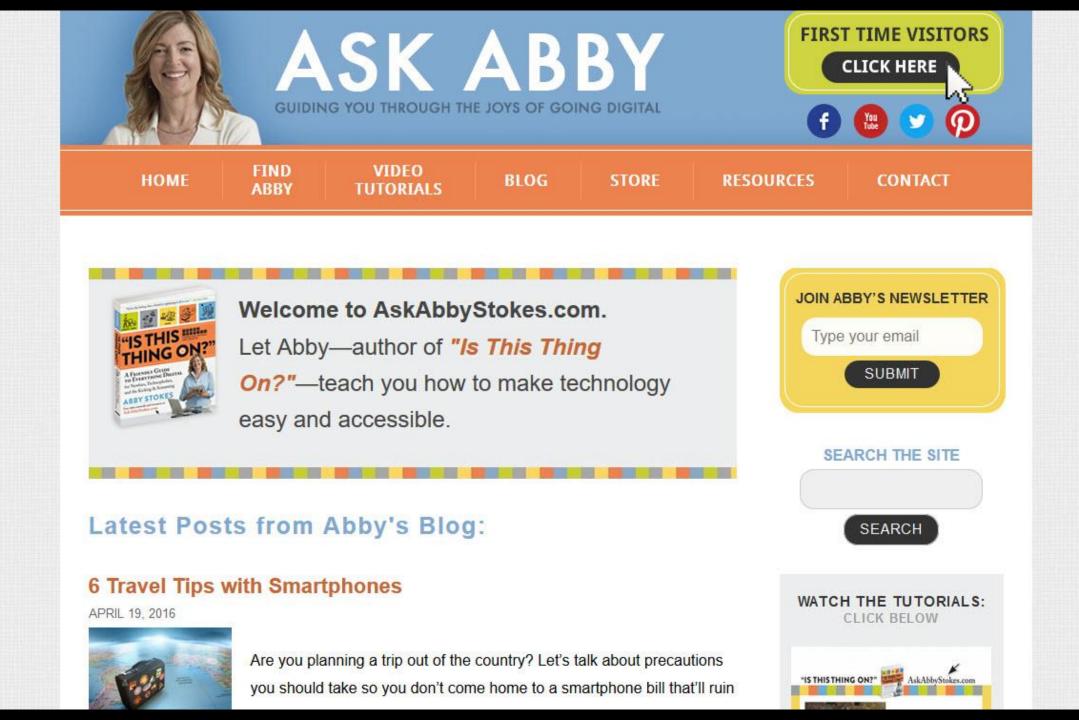
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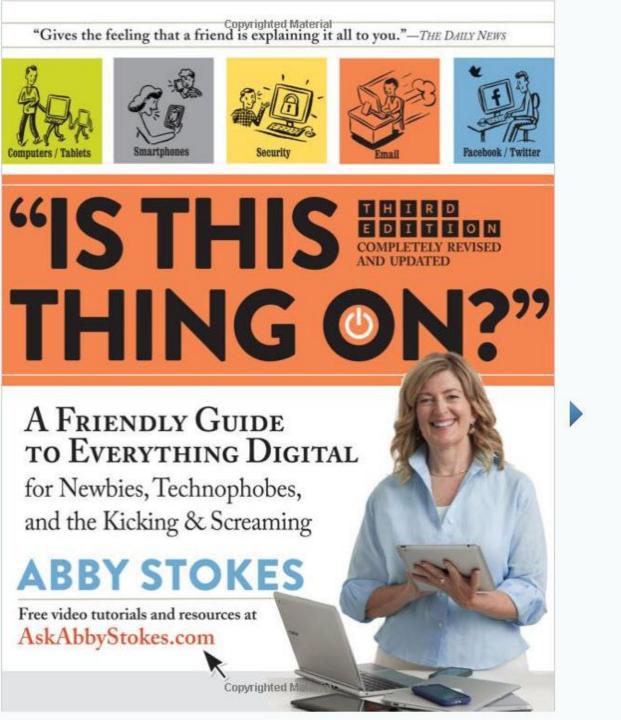
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Many companies followed in the footsteps of the original IBM PC and actually surpassed IBM in sales. Some of the manufacturers' names might be familiar to you: Hewlett-Packard (HP), Dell, and Toshiba, among others.

#### What Makes a PC and a Mac So Different?

When Apple introduced the first Macintosh in 1984, the differences between its system and that of the PC were enormous. Mac had an incredibly easy operating system (remember, the operating system is what manages the information you have in your machine) and became known as the company that made computers user-friendly. That translates to being easy to use, less intimidating, and more fun. They accomplished this through creative graphic design and the use of visual cues to access information on the computer.

Apple made the decision not to share its operating system with any other manufacturers. Think of it this way: Macs speak a special language all their own. The pickle is that Macs and PCs have different operating systems. When software is designed, it needs to be designed in one version for Macs to understand and in another version for all other PCs to understand. When Apple decided *not* to

#### THE PROS AND CONS OF MACS AND PCS

#### Pros

#### Macs

- · still considered more user-friendly
- great service record
- used by most graphic designers
- PCs
- less expensive
- software may hit the market first
- more brands available

#### Cons

#### Macs

- .....
- more expensive, but prices are dropping
- not always compatible with non-Mac software
  software can take longer to come to market
- PCs
   design is still catching up to the Mac
- operating system is more of a target for viruses

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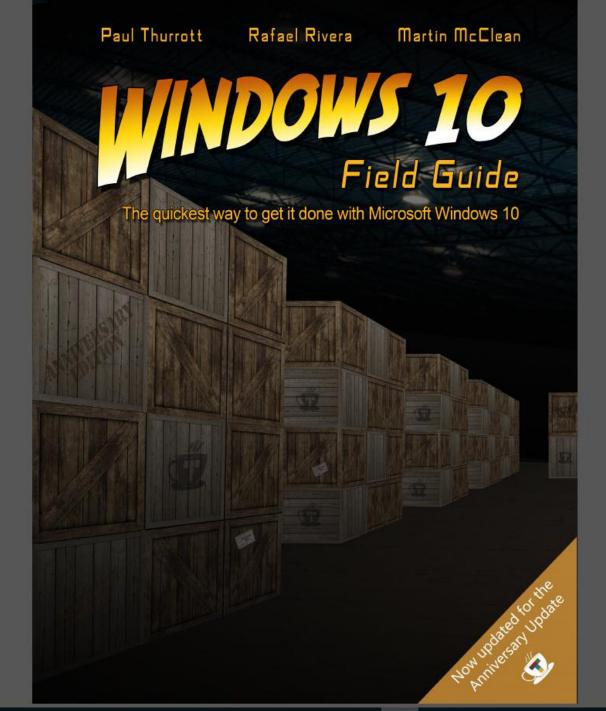
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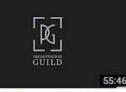




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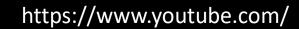
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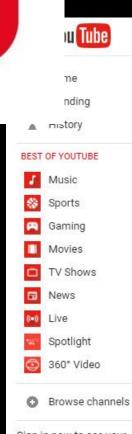


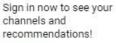


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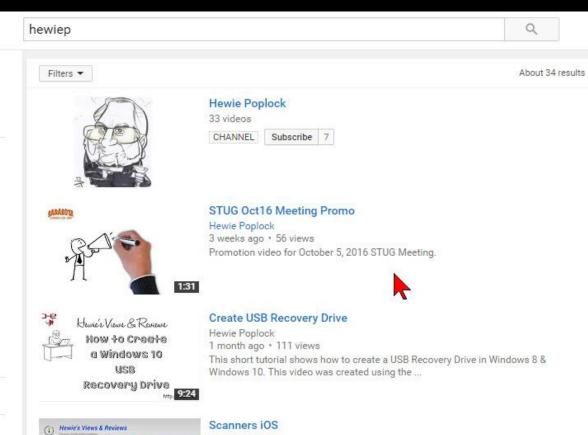




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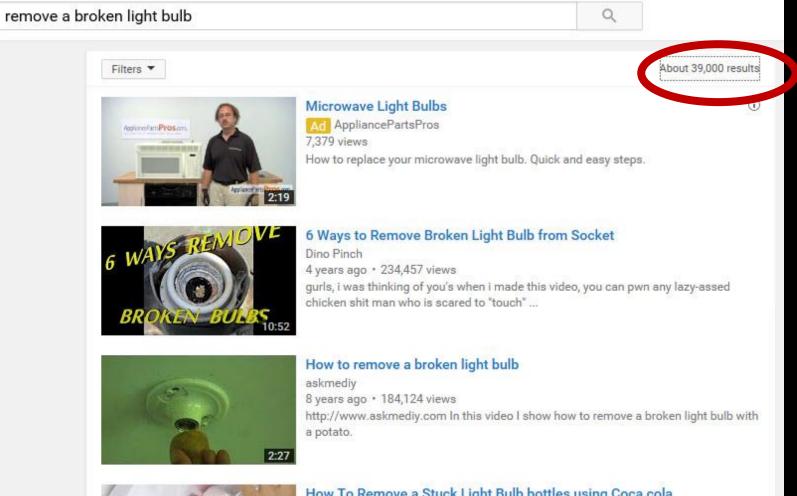
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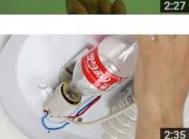


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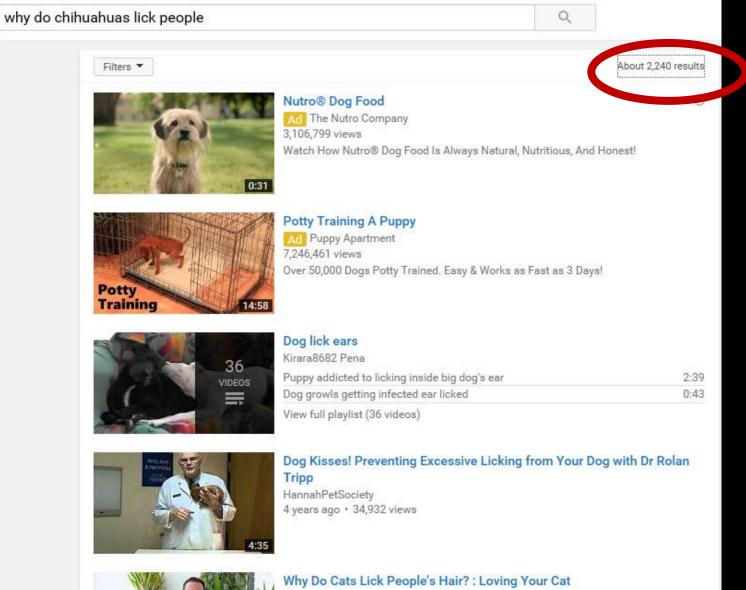
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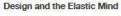


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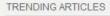
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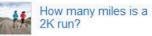
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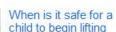








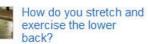


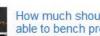


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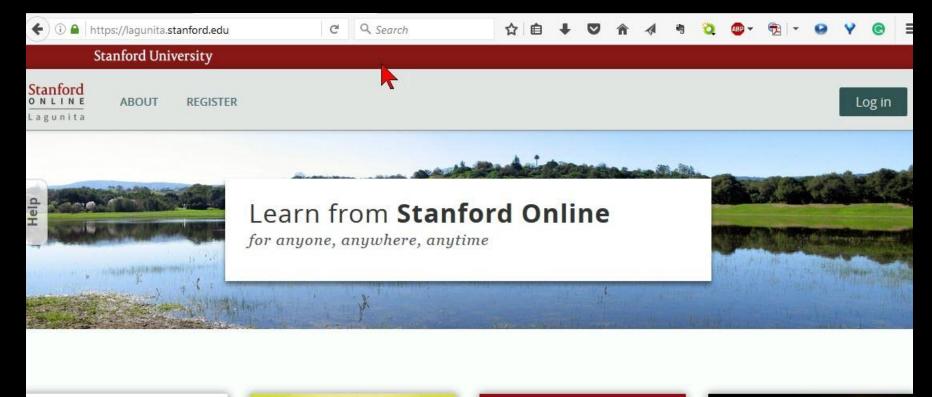
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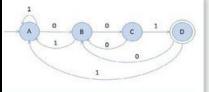
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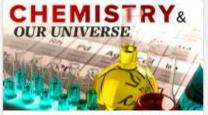
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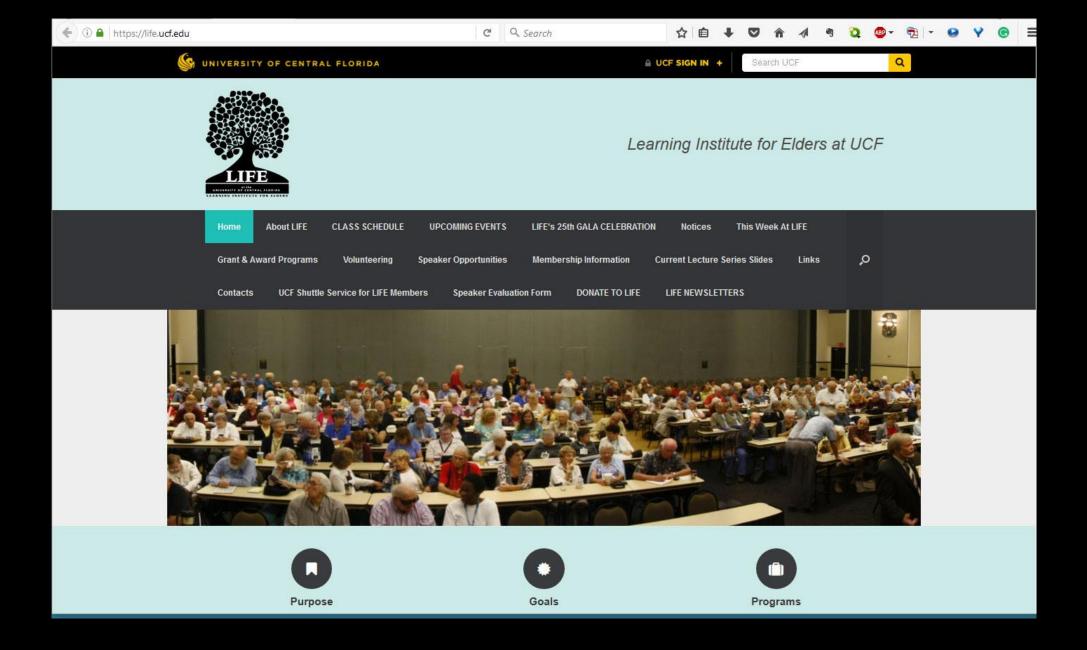
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The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Minnesota is a vital community of older adults who are brought together by their intellectual curiosity and love of learning. An affiliated program of the university's College of Continuing Education, OLLI offers a wide range of volunteer-led courses and activities. "A health club for the mind" is the OLLI motto, and the organization's enthusiastic members make full use of their club's many programs.

Founded in 1995 as the Elder Learning Institute, OLLI at the U of M joined the national network of lifelong-learning institutes supported by the Bernard Osher Foundation in 2004. Today the organization has more than 1,200 dues-paying members and offers around 300 stimulating courses each year. OLLI course leaders come from a variety of backgrounds. Some are retired professors who are experts in their fields; others are people with a strong passion for particular subjects. All course leaders are eager to share their knowledge and love of learning with OLLI members. There are no tests and no grades—just the excitement of learning and discussing something new.



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### Where To Find Lifelong Learning Resources

Lifelong learning classes (also called <u>continuing education</u> or <u>adult education</u>) are offered by most community colleges, trade or technical schools, many larger cities and counties, and public universities.

If your community has a <u>Parks and Recreation</u> program, that can be a wonderful and often inexpensive resource for taking classes in sports, art, dance, language, yoga, exercise and music.

Are you 65 or older? Check out the social groups and lifelong learning options at your local Senior Center.

For a list of educational resources for lifelong learning in your community, see Interested in Lifelong Learning? Find a School, College or Library Near You.

### The Bernard Osher Foundation

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### Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes

Background

In the fall of 2000, the Foundation began to consider programs targeted toward more mature students not necessarily well served by standard continuing education curricula. Courses often attract students of all ages eager to accumulate units to complete degrees or to acquire specific job skills. By contrast, the interest of many older adults, especially those who have retired, is in learning for the joy of learning – without examinations or grades – and keeping in touch with a larger world.

The Foundation was fortunate to have two immediate examples of successful lifelong learning programs to inform its deliberations. One was the Fromm Institute of Lifelong Learning at the University of San Francisco; the second was Senior College at the University of Southern Maine in Portland.

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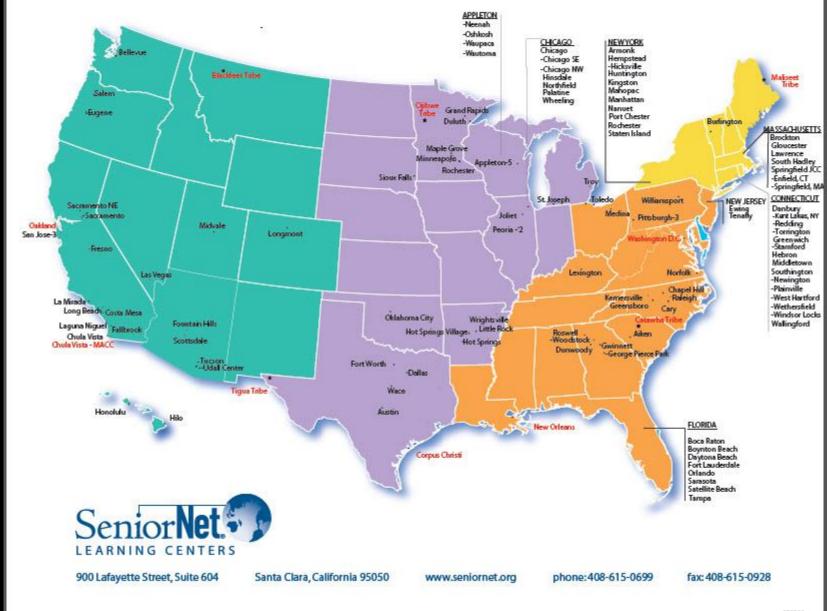
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### **Classes for seniors.**

Some colleges offer continuing education classes specifically for adults age 50 and older.

- These courses typically last a few weeks instead of an entire semester. In his traditional undergraduate classes and adult classes, Andrew Carle, an assistant professor at George Mason University, presents similar information but leaves more time for questions and discussion with the older students. "When I talk to a group of retirees, hands will be going up all over the place concurrent with the presentation. You don't see that quite as much from undergraduates or even graduate students," he says.
- There is also a network of Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes at approximately 120 colleges and universities in the U.S., including California Polytechnic State University, Texas Tech University, and the University of South Florida. These courses for older adults don't require papers or exams, and the fees vary considerably by program. At George Mason, for example, the fees range from \$125 to \$350 annually for an unlimited number of courses over four semesters.

### **Online courses.**

Many well-known universities such as MIT, Stanford, and Yale allow anyone to audit select courses online free of charge. Other colleges wave online course fees just for state residents above a certain age.

For example, seniors age 65 and older in North Carolina can take public university courses in person, online, or through correspondence for credit without paying tuition. "The online courses are pretty neat because you don't have to leave the house," says Peter Rizzolo, 80, a retired doctor who has taken classes both online and in person at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University on topics including American history, art, and Italian. "I've gotten literally thousands of dollar worth of credits—120 or so—for free," he says. "All I've paid for is my books and lab fees for courses like astronomy." Shy students may be more likely to participate in online courses, Rizzolo adds. "Sometimes students are kind of hesitant to open their mouths and afraid to look foolish in class, but online you get time to think about it before you respond."

### Hidden Costs.

Even if you qualify for free tuition and watch out for fees, you'll still have to pay for things like books and parking (which is notoriously difficult to find and is a considerable expense on many college campuses.)

Many traditional courses also have online components, so you may need a computer and Internet access.

Says Margaret Rubega, an associate professor of ecology and evolutionary biology at the University of Connecticut, "I'm having the students use Twitter to make posts about what they are seeing in the bird life outside the course." She currently has one older student auditing her ornithology (bird science) class

### A Senior Citizen Guide for College

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### Portland State Senior Adult Learning Center

Oregon residents aged 65 and older may **audit most of PSU's regular classes** on a **space-available basis** and pay no tuition. A few classes require materials fees that are paid directly to PSU. There are no education level requirements. Auditors are welcome to take classes year-round, during Fall, Winter, Spring, and/or Summer terms.

SALC auditors can also receive a **variety of other benefits**, including free use of the <u>PSU library</u>, computer access, a PSU internet account and email address. Please note that SALC auditors are not eligible for financial aid, student jobs, student housing, and/or student health benefits. SALC also sponsors the <u>Retired Associates of PSU (RAPSU)</u>, a membership organization open to anyone who is 50 years of age or older. RAPSU members meet twice a month for programs of intellectual stimulation and fellowship.

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### **Tuition Waivers and Discounts**

A number of colleges allow seniors to audit classes at no charge, and others offer hefty tuition discounts for classes taken for credit. More than 20 U.S. states – including New York – have mandated tuition waivers and/or discounts for older adults at public colleges and universities. Some Ivy League schools offer opportunities, too; an example is <u>Columbia University</u>'s Lifelong Learners auditing program, where seniors are "silent citizens" of the classroom unless invited to speak! Don't worry – most schools welcome senior participation, recognizing that you have much to offer.

- Interested in film? You could take a History of American Film seminar at UCLA by way of the university's free <u>Senior Scholars program</u>.
- Maybe you're hooked on public affairs; how about Race, Inequality and Public Policy, also at UCLA? Or if you're in Southern Florida, you could choose a ten-week course in international relations at FSU's St.
   Petersburg campus using <u>tuition waivers for Florida seniors</u>.
- Say you like to read crime fiction. How about taking a Cybercriminology class starting in late August at NYC's John Jay College of Criminal Justice as a <u>Senior Citizen Auditor</u>? Or might Miscarriages of Justice, a fall course at USF Tampa; or Serial Killers and Psychopaths, a course about the psychology of the criminal mind starting this fall at CA State University, Long Beach, be up your (dark) alley? California's <u>Senior</u> <u>Citizen Education Program</u> allows seniors to enroll in a course for just \$3.
- On the more practical side, many colleges offer courses for would-be entrepreneurs like Georgetown's in DC, New Venture Creation, which seniors can take under the university's <u>Senior Citizen Non-Degree</u> <u>Auditor Program</u>.

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- For random educational fun: Drama in the Archives at UT Austin, an exploration of scripts, production notes, costume designs and other ephemera from major theatrical productions that you can sample for reduced cost via Texas's <u>Senior Citizens Tuition Reduction Program</u>.
- Soccer- A Mirror For Everything, part of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at <u>SF State University</u> a look at the World Cup and its global impact
- Arts courses in NYC include one in Popular Musics of the Caribbean at John Jay College in NYC and one in History of Photography at Hunter College; Hunter offers tuition-free admission for <u>Senior</u> <u>Citizen Auditors</u>.
- In Florida, you can take undergraduate and graduate courses at USF College of the Arts, including Theater Performance and Art History, under the <u>Senior Citizen Audit Program</u>.
- There are classes that didn't exist when you were young: Sociology of Hip Hop Culture at <u>FSU</u>, or California Food History and Culture at <u>UC Berkley</u>.

http://seniorplanet.org/free-school-the-secret-benefit-of-being-a-senior/

In fact, every aspect of these programs – age, income, residential and educational eligibility, enrollment deadlines – varies from program to program, so you'll have to do some web searching to learn what's available specifically for you.

As a start, we suggest you go to the websites of universities, colleges and community colleges near you to find out what they offer. Because these programs are not well-publicized, you may have to dig a little to find the correct information. Search on the sites for terms like "lifelong learning," "tuition waiver" and "mature students."

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### Cutting the Cord

Hewie Poplock · September 6, 2016

I have seen some discussions about people "cutting the cord" to cable TV in my local technology user group. I recently joined that group and some of the members want to sever the cable TV connections and wondering how to go about it and how to do it. The tech group in Orlando that I have been a member since the 80's had this discussion a few years ago and some members made the break. Some of those who made the cut have shared their experiences with me. I use...

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### Latest PC Models Recently Announced

Hewie Poplock • September 2, 2016

A friend of mine said that Apple is about to announce some new models, but that he didn't see any new models from Microsoft. Well, Microsoft does not really have PC models; their partners do. In

the past few weeks, there has been an introduction of a collection of new Windows PCs at a variety of recent industry events including gamescom in Cologne, IFA 2016 in Berlin, and PAX West 2016 in Seattle. Microsoft Partners including Acer, ASUS, Dell, HP, and Lenovo have all unveiled their latest Windows 10 2-in-1s,...

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### Create a USB Recovery Drive

Hewie Poplock • August 27, 2016

This short video tutorial shows how to create a USB Recovery Drive in Windows 8 & Windows 10. This video was created using the 1607 version of Windows 10 Anniversary Update. The Recovery Drive was created on a 16 GB Kingston DataTraveler Stick, however, just over 6GB of space was used.

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### Windows SIG Meeting Notes 2016-08-14

Here are the Notes for August 2016:

The following topics were covered:

- · Don't panic! How to fix 5 common PC emergencies
- 3 pre-Windows 10 tricks worth revisiting
- · A portable PC survival kit
- Download The PortableApps.com Platform
- Portable App Directory
- · Long-running malvertising campaign infected thousands of computers per day
- RogueKiller Anti-malware
- · How to Know If Someone Has Hacked Your Social Media
- · Collection of tricks and hacks for getting the most out of Google Search Bar
- How Search Engines Work & Ways to Improve Your Search Results
- · Skip the Login Screen! Here's How to Boot Into Windows Directly
- Facebook just can't stop growing
- This Cheat Sheet Is Full of Shortcuts for Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and More

Oz Rugless was the speaker for the Main Meeting and his presentation had a lot of great tips, tricks, and software suggestions. Click here to see his notes.

The August 2016 recording of the meeting:



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Items scheduled, but not covered:

· Turn Any Browser Window Into a Quick-Edit Notepad

## Learning Resources for Seniors Links

• Techboomers

https://techboomers.com/start-here

Coursera

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• Udemy

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- Goodreads
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- Lynda.com

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- AskAbbyStokes.com
   <u>http://askabbystokes.com/</u>
- Sarasota library system <u>http://bit.ly/SRQlibrary</u>
- Windows 10 Field Guide http://bit.ly/Win10FieldGuide
- YouTube
   <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u>

Example search topics for YouTube

- hang a picture on the wall
- remove a broken light bulb
- why do Chihuahuas lick people
- keep squirrels off bird feeder
- fix a Triumph TR3

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