OLLI @Berkeley creates and facilitates a public space for the community and campus to experience the joy and benefits of lifelong earning

-- our mission

OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT UC BERKELEY 2018-2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Expanding our impact

OLLI @Berkeley by the numbers

2963 MEMBERS (6% increase from 2017-18)

130 COURSES & LECTURES (15% increase from 2017-18)

8,331

ENROLLMENTS IN COURSES (13% increase from 2017-18)

97% SATISFIED WITH OLLI (based on survey respondents)

\$97,328

GENEROUS DONATIONS FROM MEMBERS

A tOLLI @Berkeley, we never stop growing. Every day, on campus and in the community, we find new ways to learn, engage and contribute.

Your sentiments expressed in the OLLI classrooms, surrounding cafes, Annual Member surveys and individual course evaluations speak volumes about the import that OLLI has in your life. This Annual Report is one small, collective way for us to take stock of the year and to appreciate what we've built together.

A friend recently became a premium member and recounted how moved

they were by the OLLI experience and the respectful dynamic in the exchanges between faculty and members, and among members themselves. Let's never take that for granted.

The milestones and achievements we've attained this year are clear: more courses, more speaker events, more community gatherings and more campus collaborations — in classrooms, in research labs and in the engineering of technical innovations.



Bernard Osher and Susan Hoffman at the Osher Institutes 2018 National Conference in Arizona where Susan gave a presentation on Age-Friendly Universities

We are making a difference.

As donors, volunteer leaders and learners, our members have made the campus and community increasingly age-friendly, powered by a stronger vision for the future. It is a future that better understands lifetimes and lifespans and how, at any age, we can continue to grow, learn and make a meaningful difference in the world.

With deep respect and gratitude,

Susan

Susan Hoffman Director Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UC Berkeley

Highlights

A year of learning, engaging and contributing



Making our mark on research

We continued to expand our research arm in 2018-2019, nurturing both new and ongoing collaborations with our UC Berkeley campus partners and others.

In late summer 2019, we co-hosted the second annual **Aging Research and Technology Summit**, bringing together 250 leading researchers, academics, technologists, caregivers and older adult advocates — a rare cross-pollination of ideas and voices. This year's theme was "Disrupting Neurodegenerative Diseases." Along with hearing keynotes from UC Chancellor Carol Christ and former Director of the National Institute of Mental Health, Thomas Insel, participants also learned about innovations designed to thwart or mitigate the effects of Alzheimers and other diseases. OLLI members helped to further the development of three of these promising breakthroughs thanks to their involvement in testing and research.



A team comprised of OLLI member Rani Cochran and four undergraduates from the UCB Fung Fellowship for Wellness and Technology was awarded 1st Place in the **2018-2019 Stanford Center on Longevity Design Challenge**: "Contributing at Every Age: Designing for Intergenerational Impact." The team began its work in fall 2018 and in January 2019 was notified that it was one of eight finalists selected from 97 submissions representing 24 countries.

Honoring our own



In May 2019, we were delighted to present our third annual **OLLI** @ **Berkeley Excellence in Teaching and Learning Award** to Linda Rugg, UC Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Professor of Swedish Literature in the Scandinavian Department and a beloved OLLI instructor. This award is given annually to a UC Berkeley faculty member who teaches at OLLI and who has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to engaged learning.



In June 2019, we hosted a **Donor and Volunteer Appreciation Celebration** to thank our most dedicated members. We also honored Lucille Poskanzer, a volunteer leader, with a Lifetime OLLI Membership for her years of service, advice and support. In 2018-2019, we held three **Fourth Age Salons**, an ongoing program for OLLI members who are 75 years or older. Our presenters — Peter Ralston (UCSF), Debbie Burke (Pomona College) and Donald MacKay (UCLA) — spoke about aspects of aging on memory, hearing, language and sense of self.

Building community



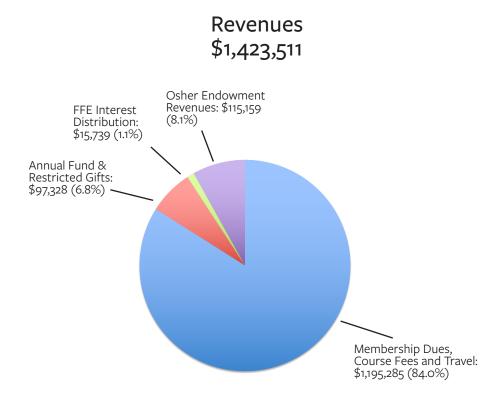
We are supported by **powerhouse volunteers** who, in 2018-2019, organized field trips to the Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, a baseball game (Go A's!), and the Oakland Museum of California; brought the community together for numerous Happy Hours; and supported an ever expanding roster of clubs.

Exploring the world



OLLI members took their passports and love of learning on **educational excursions** led by OLLI faculty — a trip to Chile with Alex Saragoza in February 2019 and a Celtic Lands/D-Day cruise with Darren Zook in June 2019. Cal Discoveries arranged the travel.

Financial Report

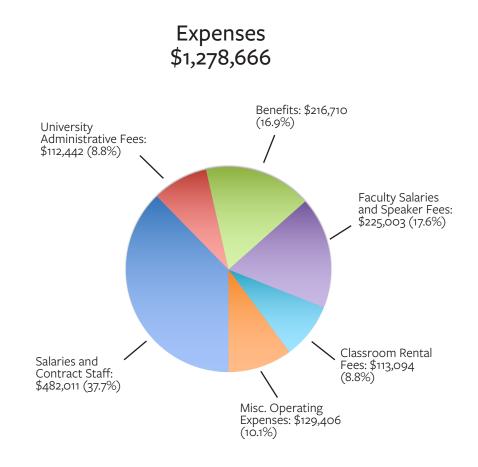


Fiscal stability: Fund Functioning as an Endowment (FFE)

The university budgets year to year so when we have a surplus we put it into a reserve fund. In 2017, we established an FFE with \$500,000 of these accumulated reserve funds from our then 11-year history. Currently, we're working with the university to contribute an additional \$100,000 to the FFE as a result of one-time salary savings from temporarily unfilled staff positions. This will allow the FFE to grow to \$600,000 and accrue an interest payment that will contribute annually to our budget going forward.

A legacy of learning

IRA rollover gifts and other planned gifts are excellent ways to make meaningful contributions to a program you love and to help sustain our community of lifelong learners for many years to come. Visit planyourlegacy.berkeley.edu for helpful tips on making your gift or contact the Office of Gift Planning at 800.200.0575 or ogp@berkeley.edu.



Your gifts at work

Annual Fund contributions help us maintain the smaller classrooms many members love. These more intimate spaces have the additional benefit of being able to serve as pathways for new instructors to grow into their OLLI teaching experience.



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