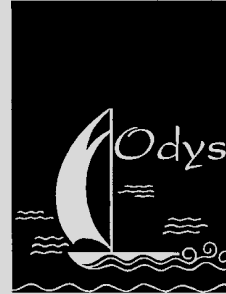


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An Adventure  
in Learning

## *You're invited to join Odyssey USA...*

The University of South Alabama invites you to join **Odyssey USA: An Adventure in Learning**. Odyssey USA is a membership program for mature learners administered through the University of South Alabama's School of Continuing Education and Special Programs. We come from a variety of backgrounds and are drawn together to learn from one another and enrich our time together. Our ultimate goal is self-fulfillment.

We are a group of people who participate in study groups, forums, lectures, and other active learning opportunities. Activities are selected by us and approved by the University of South Alabama. Peer leadership is a key component of the program. As members, we plan the topics to be studied and participate in the decisions relating to curriculum and the operation of the organization.

Odyssey USA is affiliated with the Elderhostel Institute Network, an organization to encourage the lifelong learning movement at a national level. The University of South Alabama introduced Odyssey USA in 1992.

## *How does it work?*

Odyssey USA is managed by an Executive Board of members elected annually. Our Board is comprised of officers and chairpersons from various committees: curriculum, finance, membership, publicity, social, and others as needed. We share in the continued development of Odyssey USA through:

- participating in study groups
- volunteering to lead or teach a class
- serving as an officer or committee member
- recruiting other members
- organizing social events

All activities are designed to promote the participation and involvement of members.

*"What we want in retirement is something to stimulate and challenge our minds. I've attended classes on art, music, astronomy, and the brain. After each, I wanted to say, Thanks, I needed that."*  
— Daniel McDonald, Ph.D.

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**An Elderhostel Institute Network Program**

## What kinds of activities are included?

We organize study groups and classes. A typical class meets one day a week, usually on Friday, for several weeks. We have lectures, seminars, and peer lead classes. Classes are challenging and thought-provoking, but don't require any prior knowledge or training. You won't have to worry about homework, tests, or grades.

Mind-stretching activities cover a broad range of topics. We gain fresh perspectives and share ideas on both familiar topics and current issues. Examples of study topics include:

- Cultural and Physical Anthropology
- Science, Technology, and Society
- Financial Planning
- Art
- The Human Brain
- Literature
- World Religions
- Politics and Current Events
- Astronomy
- Music

*Odyssey proves that learning is an ongoing process. Fridays have become a day of stimulating, exciting, challenging, and cultural activities. We are expanding our horizons by a smorgasbord of classes. We are meeting and enjoying people with similar interests and are having fun learning without grades or exams.*

— Sarah Kretzer

## What are the benefits?

Our annual membership fee includes:

- Participation in one or more study groups each term (12 consecutive months)
- USA library privileges
- Listen and Learn privileges for USA credit courses on a space available basis at half price
- 15% discount on non-credit courses offered through USA Special Courses
- Socials
- Luncheon lectures
- Parking privileges
- Our newsletter, *The Log*
- *Network News*, quarterly national newsletter
- Access to USA Recreation Center at a reduced rate

The University of South Alabama connection gives us stability and access to the unique intellectual and cultural experiences found in a great university.

## How can I get more information?

• Call for information,  
Monday through Friday  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**(251) 431-6411**

• Our Odyssey USA office is staffed by volunteer members on:  
**Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm**

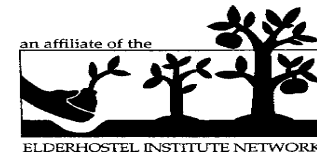
• Write to us:  
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• Or visit us on the Internet at:  
[www.southalabama.edu/casc2.htm](http://www.southalabama.edu/casc2.htm)

## How can I join?

There are no formal requirements for membership in Odyssey USA other than an interest in continued learning. You need not be fully retired, nor are there academic or experience requirements.

Complete the form at the right and return it today to begin your adventure in learning!



*The University of South Alabama provides equal educational opportunities to and is open and accessible to all qualified students without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or qualified handicap/disability, with respect to all of its programs and activities.*

## Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_  
We use Social Security numbers to maintain computerized student records and award Continuing Education Units.  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information:

- Full payment of \$110 enclosed (12 consecutive months)  
 Partial payment of \$60 enclosed (six consecutive months, remainder of \$60 will be invoiced--Note: \$5 handling fee for partial payments.)  
 I am a new member of Odyssey.  
 I am a returning Odyssey member. My \$10 reinstatement fee is enclosed with my dues.  
 Check enclosed (payable to *University of South Alabama*)  
 Visa  MasterCard  
 Card # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

*Prices are subject to change.*

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