

OLLI at UMass Boston Membership Categories, Fees, and Benefits
Effective July 1, 2026

Membership Fees, Programs, and Benefits	MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY			
	Full/Unlimited	OLLI Carte	General	Trial Semester
Annual Individual Membership Fee*	\$285	\$120	\$70	\$150
Annual Household Membership Fee^	\$525	\$225	\$130	N/A
Unlimited Courses (no additional fees)	✓	N/A	N/A	✓
Additional Per Course Fee	N/A	\$45	N/A	N/A
OLLI Talks/Walking Tours	✓	✓	✓	✓
Summer Programs	✓	✓	✓	N/A
Winter Term	✓	\$45 term pass	\$45 term pass	N/A
Theatre Outings (group pricing)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Day Trips & Excursions (group rates)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Domestic/International Travel (group rates)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Osher Online National Courses	\$45/course	\$45/course	\$45/course	\$45/course
Shared Interest Groups (SIGs)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Weekly Newsletter, <i>Connections</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mango Languages	✓	✓	N/A	N/A
University Library Access	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A
UMass Student ID (one-time fee)	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A
UMass Email Address	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A
UMass Parking Discount	✓	✓	✓	✓
UMass Parking Plan (per term)	\$45	\$45	N/A	\$45

Table 1: OLLI Membership Categories and Programs

✓ = Benefit/Program is included in a specific membership category.

N/A = Benefit/Program is NOT included in a specific membership category.

* = Financial support available for individuals needing assistance covering the membership fee.

^ = A household membership is designed for two individuals living at the same address.

OLLI Membership Categories

- **Full/Inclusive Membership.** This category allows you to take courses, OLLI Talks and Walking Tours at no additional charge. You can take as many courses as you can get into: OLLI operates on an allocation/priority system for its courses (not a first-come, first-serve basis). The full membership category allows you to also enjoy all the other benefits of being an OLLI member such as access to our travel and day trip programs, theatre outings, social events, and many more. Some of these will have additional costs associated with them.
- **OLLI Carte Membership.** This category is designed for folks who may only wish to take 1-3 courses a year. For this category, you pay for each course (\$45/course) that you get into. There are no extra fees associated with registering and attending OLLI Talks or Walking Tours; those are already included in the membership pricing. As an OLLI Carte member, you also have access to the other programs such as travel, theatre, etc. mentioned above.
- **General Membership.** This general membership would allow folks to participate in many of the social-educational components that OLLI offers such theatre, day trips, travel, Shared Interest Groups, special events, and summer programs. *This membership level would not be eligible to take OLLI courses.*
- **Trial Semester.** This is our introductory membership category and allows a person to have a full OLLI experience for one semester (fall or spring). At the end of the trial semester, the person would be able to apply the fee towards a full-year membership. A person can only join once as a trial member.

OLLI Programs

- **Courses.** OLLI courses are typically 5-6 weeks long and meet once a week for 90 minutes. They are taught by a variety of professionals, experts, and enthusiasts! Courses explore a wide-range of topics and are offered both in-person and online via Zoom. Currently, courses are offered Monday-Saturday with varying times throughout the day, including some evening courses.
- **OLLI Talks.** OLLI Talks are one-time presentations, lectures, or workshops held usually around the lunch hour. Like our courses, OLLI Talks cover a wide-range of topics and areas.
- **Walking Tours.** Walking Tours consist of a well-researched tour of a neighborhood or location in and around Boston and the South Shore. Tour groups typically consist of no more than 15 members. Members must provide their own transportation to the tour's starting spot.
- **Theatre Outings.** OLLI members enjoy discounted tickets to select theatre performances in the Boston area. The Theatre Committee works with various production companies to select shows and dates for OLLI to attend as a group.
- **Travel (day excursions and overnight trips).** Members enjoy fun and educational day trips as well as overnight travel opportunities (both domestic and international). Working with local attractions and travel agencies, OLLI volunteers put together trip itineraries and promote them to the wider membership at discounted prices.
- **Shared Interest Groups.** Our social groups meet outside the normal OLLI class environment to discuss and enjoy mutual interests and hobbies. Each group is different depending on its focus, and all provide interesting lifelong learning opportunities as well as fun social experiences.