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FAU Jupiter's Lifelong Learning Society Announces Fall 2014 Course Schedule

JUPITER, Fla. (August 4, 2014) – Florida Atlantic University has announced the Lifelong Learning Society Jupiter course offerings for the Fall 2014 semester, which begins Monday, Oct. 13.

Taught by FAU professors and distinguished guest lecturers, course offerings include such varied subjects as foreign policy, political science, film, music, art history and literature. The Lifelong Learning Society was established to provide adults of all ages the opportunity to enrich their lives through non-credit, university-level courses with no homework or tests.

Fall one-time lectures and courses take place in the Lifelong Learning Society complex, 5353 Parkside Dr., at FAU's John D. MacArthur Campus in Jupiter, and include:

- “The Roosevelt Administration and the Holocaust,” taught by Ralph Nurnberger, Ph.D., a professor of international relations at Georgetown University, who will review many of the rationales behind decisions that former U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt made in response to the Holocaust.
- “U.S. National Security, Islamism and Globalized Conflicts,” taught by Robert Rabil, Ph.D., a professor of political science at FAU. This eight-week course will analyze the security issues in the context of their local and international dimensions, seeking to shed light on important matters often misconceived in foreign diplomacy.
- “Poe's Raven,” taught by Taylor Hagood, Ph.D., an associate professor of American literature at FAU. This one-time lecture will examine Edgar Allan Poe's life and historical and artistic moment via the poem “The Raven.” It will culminate with a reading in the spirit of Poe's own public rendering of it.
- “The Great Conductors: From Arturo Toscanini to Daniel Barenboim,” taught by Paul Offenkrantz, a professional singer who has performed on the stage of the Metropolitan Opera, pursued graduate studies at the Yale School of Music and was ordained by the Hebrew Union College. This course will analyze what makes a great conductor; how a conductor gets a group of more than 100 instrumentalists to implement his vision of the

music; and why some conductors jump up and down, while others barely move. In addition, the course will review the world's most famous conductors.

- “Understanding Financial Markets: A Simplified Guide to Portfolio Investors,” taught by Mark Tomass, Ph.D., an adjunct instructor at Harvard University. This course makes complicated financial markets comprehensible to non-specialists. It will explain how the value of the domestic currency is determined in international currency markets and how that in turn determines the value of international assets.
- “Charmed Circles in the Arts: Glamour, Politics and High Society,” taught by Terryl Lawrence, Ed.D., an instructor at FAU and the Digital Media Arts College. This course will target specific personalities of the 20th century, such as Walter and Matilda Gray, Sir Joshua Reynolds and Lewis Carroll. Lawrence will discuss the methods that led to their unique and original results for that time.

For more information about the Lifelong Learning Society, or to receive a course catalog, call 561-799-8547.

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The Lifelong Learning Society at FAU Jupiter is dedicated to enriching the lives of adults of all ages by offering non-credit, university-level courses that are taught by highly qualified professors and distinguished guest lecturers. For more information on the Lifelong Learning Society, visit www.fau.edu/lfsjupiter.

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