From the desk of Cary Sweeney, Director

I am very excited to share the success of two pilot programs launched last fall: Berkeley Home Match and UC Retirees Learning Series.

Matching for the Berkeley Home Match pilot began in January 2019. In the first 7 months, we received nearly 100 applications for home owners and students. To date we have 9 matches and wonderful stories about how generations are coming together to address important issues like affordable housing and building community. Read one story on page 5.

The UC Retiree Learning Series had a stellar year of diverse lectures and great attendance. The series was created as a way to provide off-campus learning opportunities and a chance for retirees to explore Bay Area retirement communities. We will offer the series again this year partnering with Belmont Village Albany and St. Paul’s Towers. See page 4.

Our ongoing programs are thriving! Some highlights include:

● Belmont Village has created a new student intern position (see page 4) and will again offer the “Conversations with Art” Juried Student Art Gallery on November 7th.

● The UCB Emeriti Association Emeriti Legacy Video project has captured the interesting experiences of our emeriti with videos available on their website: https://retirement.berkeley.edu/ucbea.

● Pre-retirement planning for active faculty and staff now includes sessions at LBNL, noontime and evening sessions for facilities staff, and focused seminars for faculty to address transitioning academic and family life in retirement.

● Our flagship program Learning in Retirement, starts its 21st year (see page 2-3).

● New workshops this fall look at options and emerging trends for emergency response devices, exploring volunteer opportunities with the Peace Corps as well as an Encore Career (see page 6)

● Save the date - April 21, 2020 - for our biennial conference with an interactive program on the topic of Elderhood, featuring keynote speaker, Louise Aronson.

The best way to stay informed and connected is to read our bi-weekly electronic newsletter the CenterExpress - email ucbrc@berkeley.edu to be added.

I’d like to thank the emeriti and retiree volunteers and committees, and our community partners. Without your support and contributions none of what we do would be possible!

This is your Center. We are dedicated to helping you and your family live well in retirement. To participate in any of our programs or to partner with the Retirement Center, please call 510-642-5461 or email ucbrc@berkeley.edu.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Cary Sweeney
Director
Learning in Retirement

UC retirees and their guests may attend all programs at no cost. Advance registration is appreciated. For more information on each series and to register go to: http://retirement.berkeley.edu/LIR or call 510-642-5461.

MODERN ART DURING CRISIS
Organized by Louise George Clubb, Professor Emeritus, Italian Studies and Comparative Literature

“Art and Dictatorship: Argentina, Brazil and Chile in the 1960s and 1970s”
Julia Bryan-Wilson, Professor of Modern and Contemporary Art, Berkeley
Tuesday, September 10, 2-4 pm
Banatoo Auditorium, Sutardja Dai Hall

“Two-Headed Passport: A Contemporary History of Arab Artist Mobility”
Anneka Lenssen, Assistant Professor of Global Modern Art, Berkeley
Thursday, October 3, 2-4 pm
Banatoo Auditorium, Sutardja Dai Hall

CLIMATE CHANGE
Organized by Donald A. Riley, Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychology

“The Evidence for Climate Change”
Inez Fung, Professor of Atmospheric Science in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Berkeley
Tuesday, October 29, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“Explanation of Observed Changes”
Inez Fung, Professor of Atmospheric Science in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Berkeley
Tuesday, November 5, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“Public Understanding of Climate Change”
Michael Ranney, Professor in the Graduate School of Education and the Department of Psychology, Berkeley
Tuesday, November 12, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“Two-Headed Passport: A Contemporary History of Arab Artist Mobility”
Anneka Lenssen, Assistant Professor of Global Modern Art, Berkeley
Thursday, October 3, 2-4 pm
Banatoo Auditorium, Sutardja Dai Hall

More to Come

The LIR Committee has additional programs in development for 2020 including a 3-part series on stem-cell research. As we near the end of the fall semester, visit our website https://retirement.berkeley.edu/LIR or call 510-642-5461 to learn about new LIR series. New programs will also be announced in our bi-weekly eNewsletter the CenterExpress. Be sure to send us your email to ucbrc@berkeley.edu if you aren’t receiving the CenterExpress.

“These lectures changed the way I think about this topic. So worthwhile!”

PAST ATTENDEE
“Political Policies Implications of Climate Change”
Daniel Kammen, Director of Renewal and Appropriate Energy Laboratory (REAL), Class of 1935 Distinguished Professor of Energy, Professor in Energy and Resources Group and Professor of Public Policy, Goldman School of Public Policy, UC Berkeley
Thursday, November 21, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

TECHNOLOGY, LAW, AND SOCIETY
Organized by Donald Mastronarde, Professor of the Graduate School, Emeritus Melpomene Distinguished Professor of Classical Languages and Literature

The rapid and unceasing developments of the technological sector pose many challenges to the patterns of economic, political, and social interaction that form the context of our everyday lives. From the gig economy and drones to rental scooters, self-driving cars, and the expanding use of artificial intelligence and massive data collection, the public interest and the role of government and the law have often been placed in a reactive mode, constantly trying to foster the benefits of, but also counteract the dangers of radical innovations. This series explores some aspects of technology’s ever-evolving interaction with law and society.

“Blockchain Technology: Issues and Prospects”
Gregory La Blanc, Lecturer in Finance, Strategy, and Law and Distinguished Teaching Fellow, Haas School of Business
Tuesday, January 28, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“Government Surveillance and Civil Liberties in the Digital Age”
Catherine Crump, Assistant Clinical Professor of Law; Director, Samuelson Law, Technology and Public Policy Clinic, Berkeley
Tuesday, February 4, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“A Conversation on Elderhood
UCBRC Biennial Conference
April 21, 2020, Pauley Ballroom, UC Berkeley campus
Join us on April 21 for thoughtful discussion and dialogue to discover new meaning and perspective on your aging journey. Kicking off the day with a keynote address from Louise Aronson, MD, MFA, geriatrician, educator, UCSF Professor of Medicine and author of the New York Times Best Seller book Elderhood: Redefining Aging, Transforming Medicine, Reimagining Life.

“Can Computers Be Authors?”
Pamela Samuelson, Richard M. Sherman Distinguished Professor of Law and Information; Professor, School of Information; Co-Director, Berkeley Center for Law & Technology
Tuesday, February 11, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“The Quantum Age”
Chris Hoofnagle, Adjunct Professor of Law and Faculty Director, Berkeley Center for Law & Technology; Adjunct Professor, School of Information
Tuesday, February 18, 2-4 pm
Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Building

“Fascinating topics and wonderful presentations!”
PAST ATTENDEE

SAVE THE DATE!
The Retirement Center is looking forward to another UC Retiree Learning Series for 2019-20. Through the generous support provided by our host communities, there is no cost for participants to attend. For more information on the series and how to register, visit: https://retirement.berkeley.edu/ucrls or call: (510) 642-5261. Spring series will be announced in 2020.

September 26, 2019, 2:30 pm
**The Globalization of Prehistoric Art**
Margaret Conkey, Professor Emerita, Department of Anthropology
Hosted at Belmont Village Albany
1100 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706

October 2, 2019, 2:30 pm
**Translating the Bible: Rivaling the King James Version**
Robert Alter, Co-Founder, President Emeritus, Hebrew and Comparative Literature, Department of Near Eastern Studies at UC Berkeley
Hosted at St. Paul’s Towers
100 Bay Place, Oakland, CA 94610

October 24, 2018, 3:30 pm
**Restaurants and Living Wages in the #MeToo Era**
Saru Jayaraman, Co-Founder, President at ROC United, Director, Food Labor Research Center at UC Berkeley
Hosted at Belmont Village Albany
1100 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706

December 5, 2018, 2:30 pm
**Composing Japanese Musical Modernity**
Bonnie Wade Professor Emerita, Department of Music
Hosted at Belmont Village Albany
1100 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706

UC Retiree Learning Series

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS IS EASY

Registration is available three ways:

1. Online registration at [http://retirement.berkeley.edu](http://retirement.berkeley.edu)
2. Email to UCBRC@berkeley.edu
3. Stop by or call the Retirement Center at 510-642-5461

For detailed online registration information: [https://retirement.berkeley.edu/online-registration](https://retirement.berkeley.edu/online-registration)

UC Berkeley is not financially or legally involved with Belmont Village and has no responsibility or liability for its operation.
With pressures on students to find affordable housing—often paying 50% or more of their income on rent—having an option like Berkeley Home Match can be a lifeline for many students. The Retirement Center began piloting the Berkeley Home Match program in January 2019. The program helps graduate students find low-cost housing by connecting them with UC Berkeley retirees, emeriti and Ashby Village members who own homes near campus with extra bedrooms. Retirees benefit from building relationships with students as well as extra income that can support their housing costs. The pilot has far exceeded its goal with 9 matches (our goal was 6), reports of participating students’ average rent reduced by about 45%, homeowners using extra income to offset long-term care costs, and homeowners mentoring students on their graduate research. This fall we will work to summarize the findings of the pilot and produce a recommendations report to the Chancellor in September 2019.

Pat and Chris were one of the program’s first matches. Pat is a UC Berkeley retiree who explained her interest in the program by saying, “I was very interested in assisting a student with their studies as well as reducing my personal carbon footprint by sharing my house”. Chris is a Visiting Scholar in the Economics and Public Policy departments who was connected with Pat in February. He was looking for an affordable place to live, and also as an international student, he was interested in “living with someone who knew the community.”

Pat and Chris lived together for six months and both felt it was a successful match. Pat enjoyed having Chris around, saying, “Just getting to know Chris was such a good experience. I looked at him as I would one of my grandsons. He was as diligent, hard-working, earnest, and straight-forward a person as I could imagine.” Chris felt the best part of the program was, “feeling like I was at home, which made it much easier for me to excel in my studies.” While Chris is preparing to go back to Sweden, Pat already found a new match for the fall with another Visiting Scholar referred by Chris. When asked if she would do anything differently this time, Pat admitted, “I think a missed opportunity was not establishing a goal to have dinner together on a regular basis,” so next time she plans to discuss this with her renter. Chris, having already recommended the program to his colleague, explained his referral by saying, “getting to know Pat and learning about the community from her was a fantastic experience I would highly recommend to anyone.”

Berkeley Home Match is growing!

Are you a UC retiree who owns a home near campus with a spare bedroom? Contact the Berkeley Home Match Team to learn more about how you can join us to learn, live, and thrive in community. homematch@berkeley.edu

510-643-8720

Curious about renting a room in your home to a graduate student? Come learn about home sharing and participating in our program:

BERKELEY HOME MATCH INFORMATION SESSION

October 16, 2019
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
University Hall, Room 150, 2199 Addison Street, Berkeley
Registration: https://homematch.berkeley.edu
SUMMONING HELP IN AN EMERGENCY: DEVICES AND EMERGING TRENDS
Tuesday, October 29, 2019
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Dr. Richard G. Caro
University Hall, Room 150, 2199 Addison Street, Berkeley
Registration: https://retirement.berkeley.edu/technology-workshops

Your ability to summon help in an emergency is an important part of the safety net needed for aging in place. But what resources are available? In this talk, Dr. Richard Caro will address two important questions about medical alert technologies.

• If you need a medical alert device, how do you sift through competing claims and decide which product is right for you?
• With accelerating advances in “wearables” and “voice-enabled assistants,” are there better options to conventional medical alert devices?

The material in this talk is based on extensive hands-on testing by Tech-enhanced Life and the “Longevity Explorers,” a unique sharing, evaluation, and ideation community made up of older adults (in their 60’s, 70’s, 80’s and 90’s), and their friends, families, and caregivers. Richard recently co-authored an eBook entitled Caring from Afar: A Guide to Home Sensor Systems for Aging Parents, and the work of this study builds on the approach Richard and his co-author took to analyzing that group of products for older adults.

Considering an Encore Career
Friday, October 18, 2019 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
University Hall, Room 150, 2199 Addison Street, Berkeley
Registration: https://retirement.berkeley.edu/after-retirement

Attend Encore.org’s workshop to learn about their innovative model leveraging the talents of age 50-plus professionals for social good. The Encore Fellowships Program is a midlife transition program that matches skilled, seasoned professionals with social-sector organizations in high-impact, paid assignments for 6-12 months. Fellows seeking to transition to social purpose work learn about the sector and develop contacts and resources for a meaningful second act. Since 2009, nearly 2000 Encore Fellows have contributed more than 2 million hours of talent to non-profits across the U.S.!
Peace Corps and Serving as a Volunteer: Peace Corps Volunteer Panel and Information Session
Friday, October 25, 2019 10:00 am to 11:30 am
University Hall, Room 150, 2199 Addison Street, Berkeley
Registration: https://retirement.berkeley.edu/after-retirement

Whether you’re mid-career, ready to retire, or well into your retirement years, Peace Corps service is the opportunity of a lifetime—for couples, too. Join us at this special information session to learn about volunteer experiences firsthand from a panel of local Peace Corps volunteers who served later in life. You can also ask questions about service and gain tips to guide you through the application process. A Peace Corps recruiter will be present to give an overview of Peace Corps and be available to speak one-on-one.

For more information, please contact Kerry Carmichael at kcarmichael2@peacecorps.gov or 510-452-8455.

OFFERED IN SPRING 2020
Taking Charge of Your Future: Planning for Long-Term Care Course
The best time to think about long-term care is before you need it!

52% of people turning age 65 will need some type of long-term care services in their lifetime. This course is designed to help you learn about a variety of considerations to meet your health or personal care needs and provide you with tools that help you plan for the possibility of long-term care, including services in your community and what they cost. Over several weeks we look at growing older in your home, home care and care management, senior housing, estate planning and you will have the opportunity to meet with a care manager one on one in your home.
To take advantage of special offers you must use a Retiree ID card that identifies you as retired from UCB, LBNL or UCOP, or their surviving spouse or partner. To obtain your free card, come by the Center between 1:00 – 4:00 pm daily, or call 510-642-5461, or email UCBRC@berkeley.edu.

**SELECTED CAL CONNECTIONS**

- 20/20 Vision Plan discount at University Eye Center
- Free admission at the Berkeley Art Museum & Pacific Film Archive (BAMPFA)
- Discount in Annual Membership at the UC Botanical Garden at Berkeley
- Cal Athletics season tickets discount
- Discounts on select Cal Performance events
- Access to Cal Rentals housing services
- Cal Rec Center annual membership discount
- Retiree bMail service
- Access to campus Health Care Facilitator
- Free enrollment to The Berkeleyan eNewsletter
- Free UCB library card
- Music Department performance discounts
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute membership discount
- 10% Cal Student Store discount
- UC Press online purchase discounts
- Membership discounts at The Faculty Club and the Women’s Faculty Club
- Discounted Retiree parking permits

Visit [https://retirement.berkeley.edu/retiree_id](https://retirement.berkeley.edu/retiree_id) for details on the Cal Connections.