

VILLAGE VIEW

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If August doldrums have held you in thrall and you're savoring the idea of spending a few weeks in Vermont, Maine, or New Hampshire in September and October you might look into the Pioneers Program which is especially designed to provide educational opportunities for older Americans. Anyone 55 years of age or older is eligible; if you qualify, this might be a fine way for you to combine a two-week vacation in the mountains with some stimulating mental exercise on the campus of New England College in Henniker, NH.

One major objective of the Pioneers Program is to bring to college classrooms the wisdom and experience of individuals participating in the mini-courses. Older classmates, as well as younger students, are expected to do their homework assignments: readings, classroom presentations and short-term research; to call upon their skills to add to the material presented in the classroom, and make constructive contributions to the courses presented.

Another major objective is to create opportunities for people of different generations to meet in a variety of settings. The Pioneers Program offers older people opportunities to experience college life today, to share knowledge, values, and spirit with young people. It also provides a chance to meet other resourceful, self-reliant, and creative Pioneers of like minds.

New England College, the home of the Pioneers, extends the expertise of the college faculty and the spirit of the college to citizens of the larger community. Located in Henniker, a community of about 2,000 people, the campus occupies 210 acres and includes recently constructed facilities consisting of a library, dining halls, gymnasium and theatre, science buildings, and five residence halls, as well as restored houses and buildings used for apartments, classrooms, and offices. Henniker, a rural New England village, is situated on the Contoocook River in the foothills of the White Mountains.

Twenty courses, each lasting two weeks, are being offered to Pioneers this fall; Pioneers can sign up for as many as three, but the school recommends two, to allow time for participating in special activities and campus life. You don't want to go back to college for two weeks and be a "grind"; you want to enjoy the experience!

Dates for the Fall 1981 Pioneers are: Module I: September 13 to 26; Module II: October 4 to 17. Registrants may sign up for both modules if they wish. Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis and enrollment capacities are limited due to housing shortages in the village of Henniker.

Charges for the courses include room and board, tuition, and total \$220 per person. Additional expenses may involve purchasing inexpensive texts or books; more expensive texts will be available from the College library. Single people should be prepared to share double rooms, meals in the college cafeteria will be provided, dress is casual, there are no private baths, and you will be expected to be responsible for keeping your own room in presentable condition.

The faculty consists of the regular staff at the college; each has taught in the Pioneers program in previous semesters and is enthusiastic about continuing to involve Pioneers

in his or her courses. The courses are structured to provide a complete mini-course for each two-week period of Pioneer participation, and in several cases, advance reading lists will be sent to registrants to help them prepare for the courses.

In addition to the courses especially tailored for the Pioneers, numerous others will be open on an individual audit basis, and registrants will receive a copy of the College's entire course-listing, along with a form for indicating other courses the individual might want to audit.

The courses being offered include THE HOLOCAUST - a study of Nazi Germany between 1933 and 1945, together with the nature and effects of prejudice; HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN PRESS - a survey of journalism from colonial days to the present, discussion of early news and magazine development, public relations, and attempts to control the press; INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION - non-technical exploration of the general field; why we have schools, the role of public schools, the purposes of education.

You might choose AMERICAN LITERATURE, a survey from the revolutionary period to the Civil War; or 18TH CENTURY SATIRE, an examination of prose and verse, principally in England; or RECENT AMERICAN NOVELS, reading and discussion of the works of Saul Bellow, Ralph Ellison and William Styron.

If your interests are musical, offerings include: A CHILD'S WORLD OF MUSIC which includes field trips to concerts, recitals, music and dancing classes, etc.; AMERICAN MUSICAL THEATRE, a survey of the American musical stage; FILM AND MUSIC, a historical approach to music in the film media; and MUSIC OF OTHER CULTURES, with African, Far Eastern and Native American musics featured.

For thinkers, HISTORY OF SCIENTIFIC THOUGHT will focus on phenomena studied at various points in history; methods used, framing hypotheses, and testing them. Periods to be covered will be pre-Greek, continuing through the Dark Ages.

To learn more about the development and proliferation of international organizations, sign up for the course by that name, and examine the United Nations, Common Market, multi-national corporations, and social, philanthropic, service, and religious organizations.

Seminars are offered on North East Asia, China, Japan, and Korea; on the Middle East; and on Southeast Asia.

An introductory course in GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY or one in SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY may be your choice; or, if you prefer to specialize, sign up for HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: ADOLESCENCE & ADULTHOOD, or ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY.

Finally, if you've always wanted to know more about anthropology, register for PREHISTORY AND CULTURAL GROWTH.

For additional information about the Pioneers Program, write Pioneers, New England College, Henniker, NH 03242.

These are back-to-school days not only for children and young adults, but for those older Americans who would like to know what it's really like to take part in college campus life today.

If space is still available when your application is received, you may open a door to new social, educational, and vacationing opportunities, and surely, the price is right. How else can a single person get two weeks vacation in the mountains, including room and board, for \$220, or a couple, for \$440?