

Syllabus for OLLI course 426: The Human Body

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Loosely based on The Body: A Guide For Occupants, a popular book by Bill Bryson (2019). The chapters listed will introduce you to the body systems discussed in each session, but what is anatomy without pictures? I will present a power-point on each system, with slides interspersed with opportunities to ask questions. I am an anatomist, not a physician, so I can't give advice about particular diseases, but will try to convey a basic understanding of each of these structures so you can understand how they work (or not).

| <u>Session</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Topic</u> | <u>Chapter(s)</u> |
|----------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 3/1 | Skin | 1, 2 |
| 2 | 3/8 | Nervous System | 4, 19 |
| 3 | 3/15 | Special Senses | 5 |
| 4 | 3/22 | Digestive System | 6, 15 |
| 5 | 3/29 | Circulatory System | 7, 12 |
| 6 | 4/5 | Skeleton | 9 |
| 7 | 4/12 | Muscles | 10 |
| 8 | 4/19 | Urinary System | 8 |
| 9 | 4/26 | Reproductive System | 17 |
| 10 | 5/3 | Respiratory | 13 |
| 11 | 5/10 | Endocrine | 8 |