The new semester of CALL courses will soon be underway, and every time you step into the classroom, it is likely you will feel a sense of satisfaction. You finally have the time to listen and learn. It matters not whether you have multiple advanced academic degrees or even if you have never set foot on a college campus. You are here to discover things you have never known before.

Your instructors are very gifted with years of experience, and they enjoy being with you. They come from diverse fields of study and several colleges in the area: Aquinas, Grand Valley, Hope, Kuyper, Cornerstone, and certainly Calvin. A few may not be professors, but they all have vast expertise in many areas such as religion, government, the classics, literature, and art. Instructors for CALL are deeply interested in sharing their experience with you. No papers to write, no quizzes to take, and no exams to pass. Relax and learn.

The choices I make for which classes to take follows the trajectory of my own experience with interests that bend towards history, international affairs, and politics. I often have the opportunity to contemplate and reflect on the questions raised in these classes which may apply to you as well. What have you been prompted to think about, and has any information taught changed your point of view?

Here is just one of the questions I’ve pondered after CALL courses:

What do I know about the unrest in the Middle East? This reflection began with classes on the *History of Ancient Israel* in 2017, and *A Study of Islam* in 2015. Did God’s promise to Israel through his covenant give them the land, in perpetuity, as long as they obeyed his law (Exodus 19-24)? Over the centuries, we see events like the Patriarch of Constantinople appealing to Pope Urban II to assist in repelling the Turks and Muslims from taking over the entire Levant and preserving Jerusalem. Fast forward to the end of WWI (CALL 2015 course) after the Treaty of Versailles and look at the Sykes-Picot agreement drawn by Great Britain and France. A few Western diplomats studied a map of the Middle East at a porcelain factory in a Paris suburb, and, with disregard for the Arabs or Muslims who lived in the region, drew lines on the map dividing possession of the land between these two super powers.

Enter the United States when oil was discovered in that region during the Truman administration. With heavy involvement in this area ever since, we see U.S. policies impact the region, like our announcement to move the U.S embassy to Jerusalem. What policy, treaty, or agreement will accurately determine which people have the rights to this land?

Maybe for you, history and politics are not subjects that pique your interest. Perhaps you have a passion for art and have traveled to and strolled through countless museums?

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Join a CALL class on Medieval Art with Henry Luttikhuizen and learn what inspired those great artists.

Shifting to communications, where do you look for the news? Do you question the Internet or social media? Do you remember Joseph Goebbels, the master of falsehoods in WWII who was the Reich Minister of Propaganda of Nazi Germany? On November 1, you can attend the free Noontime lecture on communication with Quentin Schultze who addresses how we can all communicate more faithfully in an age of declining trust and growing conflicts.

Each year our options grow in the CALL curriculum- choices that create new paths, open different doors, and forge deeper chasms in knowledge. Join fellow classmates and enjoy their company as you delve into another year of lifelong learning!

Public Events
Bob DeBruin, Chair

Our first travelogue film of the 2018-2019 season is Thursday, September 13. Travel to Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and Hungary with Marlin Darrah. In Munich, where locals specialize in good living, you’ll visit boisterous markets and Baroque-styled palaces. Head into the foothills of the Alps, tour the fairy-tale castles of “Mad” King Ludwig. Then climb atop the Zugspitze, the highest point in Germany. Cruise the Rhine River as well as visit interesting cities in Austria and find the treasures of Budapest.

Marlin Darrah, a frequent speaker for our film series, is probably the world's most traveled filmmaker. Darrah's 40 years of award-winning production experience have taken him to more than 140 countries worldwide, yielding more than 100 documentary and travel-adventure programs to date. All the major television networks, including PBS, History Channel and Discovery Channel have shown Darrah’s international shots or programs.

His travel features have been shown in more than 100 theaters and auditoriums across America. Recently, a two-hour documentary Darrah shot and directed in Egypt, was screened at the Cairo Opera House to an audience of 2,000 guests. His productions have screened and won top awards at more than 15 national and international film festivals from Rome to New York and Los Angeles.

The cost for season tickets remains $25. During summer months, orders are best by mail or by calling the CALL office.

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September marks the beginning of another great lineup for free Noontime Series lectures. These lectures are open to CALL members and the public. The location is the Calvin Chapel, located just east of the Burton Street entrance to the campus. Parking is best in lot #2, just left of this entrance. Please note the special date of the last lecture.

We begin the series with a panel lecture of Vietnam veterans, moderated by GVSU History professor James Smither, a frequent CALL course instructor and director of the GVSU Veterans History Project. During this lecture, we will hear from a group of veterans who return to Vietnam in 1995 and learn what they did during their return that changed their lives.

***Longer than the standard hour, this lecture is 90 minutes in length.

Our second lecture will cover the timely subject of gerrymandering. On the November 2018 ballot, voters in Michigan will be able to vote on a new way to draw the lines among state and congressional districts. The anti-gerrymandering ballot initiative came from a remarkably rapid volunteer-led effort, and addressed the increasingly publicized issue of how the lines of legislative districts reward the political party in power. This Noontime lecture will provide a broader history of the gerrymander and specific information about the choice facing the state’s voters later in this fall.

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**Announcements**  
by Sonja DeJong, CALL Program Manager

**New Software**  
Over a third of CALL members requiring membership renewal have navigated the new software system implemented in late June.

In an effort to provide the simplest instructions, please follow the steps outlined below if you still need to renew membership:

If you don’t share an address with another CALL member, use the username and password previously emailed to you and click on the “My Account” box at [www.calvin.edu/call](http://www.calvin.edu/call) to enter your account. If you don’t have these details, click on the “Forgot Password” by entering the email on file with CALL.

**PLEASE** do not create a new account as we cannot merge two accounts.

Click on the “Select Membership” tab below the CALL logo and follow the prompts. Once complete, you will see a successful transaction message and an email confirmation.

If there are two CALL members at the same address, follow the steps identified above but use the **primary username and password** sent to purchase each membership in two separate transactions. (This is often the male username and password). After the payment page, select for whom the membership is purchased. **Use this account for all transactions.** Feel free to change the password and username as you wish. You can use multiple credit cards for purchases.

**Registration Open for Courses**  
Fall curriculum guides were mailed to all current CALL members in early August. Registration opened on August 6 for the 68 course options. There are two options to register for classes: online or by check with the form in the hardcopy guide.

For online orders, click on “My Account.” Choose the semester drop-down box on the left and choose Fall 2018-Course Registrations. Should you wish, you can narrow your search by subject and/or instructor. Click on the “Search” button.

The search results show all the courses selected. If you click on the title of the course represented in red, you will see the full details of the course.

Follow the system prompts. Remember **if you are in a two CALL member household, use the primary username and password** for purchasing courses for either member.

Because these changes are new to everyone in the program, please feel free to contact us if you have any difficulty at 526-8777.

A 10% discount is available in the campus store for required books.

Thank you for your patience and support during this time of transition. We apologize for those who may have experienced frustration, and please know that we will continue to work with the software developer for improvements to the best of our ability.

**Coffee and Cookies**  
This fall we continue our coffee break between classes on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons beginning at 2:45 pm. You will find the refreshments in the west hallway of Hiemeng Hall.

**Membership Cards**  
Please use your membership card as a name badge when attending classes on campus. Soon new lanyards will be available to use with them and available in the Hiemeng hallway or from one of the office staff.

**Knitting-October 3, 1:00 pm**  
Our strongest and longest running interest group resumes on Wednesday, October 3, from 1:00-3:00 pm in the Youngsma building second floor, next to the CALL office. Anyone interested in joining should contact Diane Norman at dnoorman@sbcglobal.net.

**Curriculum Committee**  
Although putting together 60+ courses may seem daunting, a large committee of volunteers spreads the workload; committee members are contributing only a few courses each, some based on their own ideas and others coming from contacting previous instructors. The committee only meets two times a year and would welcome your participation. Call or contact the CALL office to express your interest.
Member Events
Amy Shellenbarger, Chair

ArtPrize 10
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration continues for our two ArtPrize member events on either Monday, October 1, or Tuesday, October 2.

Our guests will start their day departing from the Prince Conference Center via coach bus transportation to the Sweet House, formerly the Women’s City Club, for coffee/tea and muffins. From there, we enjoy early access to the Grand Rapids Art Museum (GRAM) at 11:00 am, typically a large venue for ArtPrize exhibits. Following the GRAM, CALL guests will enjoy specific stops related to the prior weekend’s “top 20” announcement. A delicious catered lunch at the Pearl Street Holiday Inn is included in your afternoon activities with chicken florentine, house salad, vegetable, and carrot cake for dessert. (We have a vegetarian alfredo option if specified).

If CALL members would like to enhance this member event trip, they can register any time for the CALL course on ArtPrize led by Nick Kroez. In the first three classes, Nick will cover what is art, what is ArtPrize, and bring in guest speakers of ArtPrize. Following a week break for the Member Event trips, Nick will conclude his course, discussing the top 20, including the category winners, judge vote, public vote, and the reasons why they were chosen.

As you may recall from the news, ArtPrize moves to a biennial schedule after this year so it won’t be available again until 2020!

Cost is $70 per person. If you have questions, email Cherie Grunske at cherillusions@gmail.com or phone the CALL office at 526-8777.

A Day in Hyde Park
8:00 am - 12:00 (midnight)
Friday, October 26, CALL members have the opportunity to spend the day in Hyde Park, Chicago. Several activities are located at or near the University of Chicago.

We begin our day at the Frank Lloyd Wright Robie House with a one-hour tour followed by a boxed lunch provided by the Robie House. At 1:00 CST, we begin our tour at the Oriental Institute of Chicago.

We conclude with a 5:00 CST Carillon bell recital at the Rockefeller Memorial Chapel where you can either hear and view the recital in the Chapel or climb with the carillonneur the 271 steps to the bells. After the one-hour recital, we board the bus to return to Grand Rapids with dinner en route.

Cost is $135 per person. Questions can be directed to the CALL office.
**The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, Matinee**

12:30 pm-6:00 pm

This dramatization of C.S. Lewis’ classic set in the land of Narnia faithfully recreates the magic and mystery of Aslan, the great lion, his struggle with the White Witch, and the adventures of four children who inadvertently wander from an old wardrobe into the exciting, never-to-be-forgotten Narnia.

Join other CALL members and guests for a delectable lunch at the Calvin Chapel Undercroft. During lunch, Daniel Denk of Master Arts provides background on the play. He is a life-long student of C.S. Lewis and his topic will be “C.S. Lewis: The Man and His Writings.” With a performance time of 3:00 pm, our day is expected to conclude before 6:00 pm. Guests will first meet at the college and then drive on their own to Master Arts Theatre at 76th and Division. There is an option for lunch only if you are already a season ticket holder for Master Arts.

Deepen your knowledge by also taking the CALL course by Wes Kort covering the last two chronicles of C.S. Lewis’ *Narnia; The Magician’s Nephew and The Last Battle.* Cost is $37.00 per person. For questions, email borgondy@gmail.com or call the CALL office.

**Member Events Registration**

Two ways to register:

1. Online: [www.calvin.edu/CALL](http://www.calvin.edu/CALL) > My Account>Semester drop-down tab>Fall 2018 Event Registration
2. Complete this form (make checks payable to CALL) and send to CALL, Youngsma Center, 3201 Burton St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. Event fees are per person. CALL will notify you if an event has filled. A reminder is sent two weeks before the event.

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Extended Trips
by John Apol

South Africa is the final 2018 trip still accepting additional travelers. Although the extra flights were released, people can still join at the current rate for flights. John Apol leads this group to the bottom of the African continent from October 5-20. This trip is a combination of apartheid history, safari tours, mountain climbs by cable car, island visits with penguins and seals, and vineyard wine tasting, to name a few.

Exceptional in her knowledge of Spain, Cynthia spends time yearly in this country and has established deep connections with local guides and experts to provide a rich and expansive experience.

The trip includes the typical stops in Granada, Cordoba & Sevilla, but also allows us to discover hidden gems in tiny town and off-the-beaten-path rural villages. One of the highlights of trips like these is the food and wine.

The train trip to Cordoba is on the AVE, the Spain high-speed rail, a fun and fast way to travel.

The walking in the Alpujarras is especially breathtaking. You won’t see the landscape through the frame of a bus window, but instead you’ll get out and experience impressive panoramic views.

The tour pace is higher than an average Witte-sponsored trip.

2019 Destinations
Southern Spain is our first 2019 destination- March 14-24. A small group of twenty travelers will journey with Calvin Spanish professor Cynthia Slagter to some of the best sites in Spain.

The second trip of 2019 is the Greece tour with Ken Bratt. You may recall from our last newsletter the first trip from May 11-25 filled in just hours. A second trip was added for late April but also filled with the persons from the initial waitlist. No additional openings are expected.

We expect to open our third trip for registration in September, Cultural Jewels of the United Kingdom, scheduled for July 25-August 8, 2019. Leading the trip is Calvin Communications professor Debra Freeberg. Debra has directed 16 Calvin Theatre productions at Calvin and she led the CALL/Alumni trip to Sweden and Norway in 2015. Guests will experience theatre, music, and history in England, Scotland, and Ireland!


Tour participants will attend theatre performances in each of the main cities of the itinerary.

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Join the interest list for either 2019 or 2020 by emailing call@calvin.edu, alumni@calvin.edu, or phoning the CALL office at 526-8777.

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