

PEIR (Personal Enrichment in Retirement)

For more information, call Continuing Education at 516-463-7200.

What is the PEIR Program?

Simply put, PEIR provides opportunities for intellectual stimulation, cultural enrichment, and personal growth for retirees or semiretired individuals. Bring your curiosity, your opinions, your expertise, your passions — and share them with other like-minded individuals who thirst for learning, meaningful social interaction and stimulation in a lively, dynamic environment unique to a university setting.

How does PEIR work? Classes, discussion and interest groups, volunteer opportunities, social events and outings are planned and facilitated by PEIR members and guest speakers. PEIR members set the agenda, and new offerings are added each semester.

What does PEIR offer? PEIR offers exposure to or immersion in the subjects, events, issues and trends that you care about — whether your interests are in literature, history, religion, philosophy, natural sciences, political and social sciences, performing arts, visual arts and architecture, economics, finance or technology.

Who attends PEIR meetings and events? You'll find a diverse mix of vibrant, intelligent men and women. Like you, they view retirement as a time for interests they couldn't explore while working or raising their families. PEIR members are friendly, welcoming, and open to new experiences.

Program Benefits:

- Convenient schedule ... meetings are held weekdays.
- Access to many of the resources of a major university.
- Social opportunities.
- The stimulating, engaging retirement you've waited for.
- An opportunity to learn new skills, develop latent talents, and make the most of retirement right here at home.

Who should enroll in PEIR?

Enthusiastic retirees who are eager to make the most of an active retirement while learning and socializing with others who are determined to stay young in body, mind, and spirit!

PEIR at a Glance ...

- Program has been in existence for 40 years
- The longest-standing member has been a member for nearly 30 years
- PEIR members average 10 years in the program
- Currently, the youngest member 57 and the oldest member is 97
- PEIR members participate in trips to cultural venues throughout the year
- PEIR hosts on-campus parties throughout the year
- PEIR members receive a Hofstra ID card that entitles them to discounts at local businesses
- The program has been featured in *Newsday*, among other publications
- The group currently consists of more than 215 members
- A number of marriages have resulted from PEIR