

# Osher@Mizzou



*As a volunteer organization, Osher@Mizzou depends on the involvement of its membership to function and grow:*

***Vision*** - *To be the best provider of education for adults over 50 in the United States.*

***Mission statement*** - *To be a transformational leader in providing a creative and inclusive educational experience for adult learners in Mid-Missouri and beyond.*

*Return Volunteer Application to Osher@Mizzou staff.  
Thanks for your support!*

*Osher at Mizzou, a dynamic way **you** can make new friends, explore new ideas, and - according to a recent UCLA study - even reduce your risk for dementia by as much as 60 percent by staying socially engaged! So take a class, and even better, volunteer for one of the many interesting committees.*

*Fill out the following information, and we'll contact you to discuss all the possibilities.*

## Osher@Mizzou Volunteer Interest Application

As a volunteer organization, Osher@Mizzou depends on member participation to meet our mission statement: “To be a transformational leader in providing a creative and inclusive educational experience for adult learners in Mid-Missouri and beyond.”



If you are interested in learning more about possible volunteer positions at Osher, please fill out the following information, and we will contact you to discuss the possibilities with you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact (Phone # and/or email address)

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What kind of work experience have you had?

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Osher@Mizzou offers a wide range of volunteer opportunities to suit everyone’s interests. We are looking for volunteers to provide office and classroom assistance, to participate in academic activities, to offer their professional advice and support to the organization and its committees, and more.

Please indicate which of the following activities might be of interest to you:

- Technology Training – provide training for Osher Committee volunteers.
- Information Technology – advise the Director and Advisory Council on matters of information technology, including hardware and software.
- Membership – conduct activities to recruit and welcome new members and coordinate distribution of course catalogs.
- Strategic Planning – participate in preparing the Osher@Mizzou strategic plan, monitor progress on key strategic issues, and advise the Director and Advisory Council on actions required to achieve key objectives.
- Fundraising – develop an expanded program of class/event support and gifting from corporate, individual, or nonprofit organizations.
- Teach an Osher@Mizzou course in (specify subject/area) \_\_\_\_\_

General Volunteer Opportunities include:

- Office Assistance – answer telephones and perform miscellaneous tasks.
- Special Functions – organize and implement special activities for Osher.
- Tribute Activities – organize and coordinate social events.
- Class Host – greet students, supervise sign-in sheet, and distribute handouts.
- Audio-Visual-Technical Assistance – learn the Osher A-V Tech system and assist instructors, as needed.

Work on a committee (specify committee(s) of interest).

- Finance – monitor budget and expenses for the Osher@Mizzou Director.
- Program – plan semester courses and recruit instructors/assist them in developing new courses.
- Outreach – plan, implement, and evaluate marketing strategies and mass media promotion; and provide presentations of Osher@Mizzou to grow membership.
- Facilities - identify issues related to facilities and equipment and make recommendations for improvements.
- Volunteer Recruitment/Coordination – develop, assign, and coordinate volunteer activities.

What interests/skills/talents do you have that may be beneficial to Osher@Mizzou as a volunteer?

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How comfortable are you with technology (e.g., computer use, Internet use, email)? Please check appropriate area.

	Computer use	Internet use	Email
Uncomfortable	_____	_____	_____
Comfortable	_____	_____	_____

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