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Laurier offers wide range of part-time courses

A total of 168 credit courses for part-time students -- exploring everything from business basics to the Charter of Rights and witchcraft -- will be offered this fall and winter by Wilfrid Laurier University.

Some of them will be offered as distance education courses available over Rogers Cable and TVOntario while many other courses will be taught in a classroom setting.

Here are some of the courses to be offered:

* History and Theory of Theatre Performance: Studies in the history of staging conventions in relation to dramatic form. The focus will be on traditional and contemporary approaches to characterization in the interpretation of pre-contemporary drama.

* Comparative Social Welfare Programs: Comparison of social welfare programs in Canada with those in other countries.

* Anthropology of witchcraft: Covers the epistemology of witchcraft beliefs, the distinction between witchcraft and sorcery; and witchcraft as a form of social control.

* Introduction to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms: Explores the substantive and procedural provisions of

the Charter, their effect on daily life and changes in the roles of the courts and Parliament.

* Creative Writing: Includes writing assignments and exercises to increase critical awareness of the disciplined use of words in poetry and prose.

* Origins of Modern Japan: A study of the historical foundations of Modern Japan from the Meiji Restoration to the present with emphasis on political and economic history.

* Basic Musicianship: Covers the fundamentals of theory; serves as an introduction to counterpoint, harmony and musical form; and includes sight-singing and ear-training.

• Women's Lives and Religious Values: A study of the spiritual quests, ritual practices, social struggles and religious attitudes of women in selected cultures. Attention will be paid to the differences between men's and women's religious experiences.

More information about these and other courses is available by telephoning Laurier's office of part-time studies at 884-1970 ext 4447.

Fees are \$180 for a half-credit course and \$349 for a full-credit course. Those who are 60 years of age and over may take courses without paying the fees.