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Psychology professor says lifelong learning adds life to our years

WATERLOO –The Laurier Association for Lifelong Learning will mark its 12th anniversary on May 27 with a lecture by Laurier psychology professor emeritus Dr. Don Morgenson. Morgenson's lecture, "Liberal Learning and Life," will discuss the medical, societal and psychological implications of continued liberal learning.

"While most of us who are older seem obsessed with adding more and more years to life, continued liberal learning enables us to add more and more life to our years," said Morgenson.

He believes that the ability to think, learn and express oneself, the capacity to understand ideas and issues in context, and a deep yearning for truth are fundamental issues of humanity.

"Given these human needs, liberal learning is our best investment in a future that is shared," said Morgenson.

Morgenson's lecture takes place May 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Maureen Forrester Recital Hall at Wilfrid Laurier University. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Melissa Ireland at lall@wlu.ca or 519-884-0710 ext. 4628.

About the Laurier Association for Lifelong Learning:

The Laurier Association for Lifelong Learning (LALL) is a volunteer-run organization supported by Laurier's office of Continuing Studies. LALL offers non-credit courses intended for personal interest and self-education and taught by retired or semi-retired professors or local professionals. For more information, visit www.wlu.ca/pts/coned.