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OLLI Lectures at Ypsilanti Senior Center

Join volunteers from the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at U of M as they introduce and share two recent lectures from our annual lecture series. Each lecture is an hour long, with an engaging half hour of questions and answers with the lecturers to follow. An OLLI host will facilitate a short discussion after the presentation. **All lectures, including discussion, will be from 10:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.**

HOW TO TALK ACROSS THE POLITICAL DIVIDE - 3-18-19

Kevin Deegan-Krause Ph.D.

Kevin Deegan-Krause, a rising star in the Political Science Department at Wayne State University, wowed attendees with his lecture in the Populism series "The Future Lies East: Postcommunist Europe's New Model of Populism" in December of 2017. His presentation "How to Talk Across the Political Divide", is certainly a topic of interest and relevance for OLLI members.



Deegan-Krause is the recipient of the Truman and Fulbright Scholarships as well as IREX Individual Advanced Research Grants. He has served as a consultant for the U.S. Department of State on the politics of Central Europe. He is currently working on a new book with Tim Haughton of the University of Birmingham titled "The New Party Challenge: Cycles of Party Birth and Death in Europe and Beyond."

THE VALUE OF BROAD PERSPECTIVES AND FREE SPEECH: A PANEL DISCUSSION - 3-25-19

OLLI members are dedicated to learning, but in our complex world it's hard to separate the real information from the noise, making us polarized around political issues. This panel discussion will help us unravel these barriers by helping us appreciate the value of a broader and more receptive perspective, the critical role played by free speech, and how we can productively engage others. A Q&A period will follow the presentation.

This panel discussion featuring U-M scholars will focus on:

- *free speech and how it impacts our society
- *how to talk across the divide
- *barriers to listening, especially our emotional reactions

Featuring: Jack Bernard, U-M Associate General Counsel
Anne Berg, Ph.D., U-M Department of History
Loraleigh Keashly, Professor, Communication, College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, Wayne State University