Rewards and Benefits for Study Group Leaders (SGLs)

The Rewards of SGL Collegiality at BOLLI

Study Group Leaders at BOLLI play a special leadership role in the BOLLI community, and often forge a strong and rewarding connection with each other. The majority of SGLs affiliate with the BOLLI community—we explain the advantages of affiliation below. All SGLs, regardless of affiliation, enjoy regular invitations to BOLLI teaching workshops and collegial conversations. These gatherings offer the SGL opportunities to consult with one another about the distinctive challenges of the classroom, and to connect with another around the joys of leading study groups. Many friendships and mutually supportive relationships form as a result.

Upcoming SGL events
We hope you will join your fellow SGLs for a welcome gathering before the start of term, an “air & share” mid-term gathering, and our end of the term SGL celebration. Further details are forthcoming as the dates approach.

The Benefits of SGL Membership Affiliation at BOLLI

If I would like to take a study group or two—SGL Discounts and Lottery Exemptions

Some SGLs would themselves like to take study groups, either concurrent with their own teaching or in the next term. These SGLs will want to affiliate as Comprehensive members during the term in which they intend to enroll. See the note below on deferring these special SGL benefits into the future. Note that special SGL annual pricing is also available in the fall—contact the office for details.

If you are leading a ten-week course
- by yourself, you are entitled to two (2) course lottery exemptions and a 50% membership fee reduction;
- with one or more co-leaders, you are each entitled to two (2) course lottery exemptions and a 25% membership fee reduction.

If you are leading a five-week course
- by yourself or with one or more co-leaders, you are each entitled to one (1) course lottery exemption and a 25% membership fee reduction;

A note on deferring or “banking” your SGL membership fee reduction and lottery exemptions

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If you would prefer not to utilize your special SGL lottery exemption benefit during the term in which you are teaching, you may apply your membership fee reduction and lottery exemptions to the very next term in which study groups are offered. Note that this means you may not “bank” your membership fee reduction and lottery exemptions more than one term into the future. This benefit may only be used during the term in which you are teaching or in the term that immediately succeeds it.

If I would like to attend BOLLI programs, but not take study groups:

In this circumstance we encourage you to affiliate as a Lecture & Activities Member, specially discounted for SGLs by 75%. For $60, an SGL can enjoy a host of outstanding programs over a six month period, including faculty lecture courses, lunchtime lectures, member presentations, Special Interest Group meetings, and reduced cost for Spingold Theater tickets and other campus events. Note that the SGL Lecture & Activities membership allows access to BOLLI programs for the fall/winter terms or spring/summer terms.

If you would prefer to refrain from membership during your time as a BOLLI SGL, no problem. Our Assistant Director, Megan Curtis, (781-736-2175 or mcurtis@brandeis.edu) will be happy to help you get properly oriented and ensure that we have your contact information in our database. Please contact her, and know that whenever you are in the building to lead your study group, you are our guest and are welcome to participate in the lunch and learn presentation before or after your course.

SGL Membership Types and Discounts

Pricing reflects substantial discounts.

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