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# **The Oxford College Community Classroom**

You are invited to a series of intellectually stimulating, fun, interactive classes brought to you by Oxford College and held in the Community Room at Oxford City Hall. Call 770-784-8389 for more information.

# 1. What is the Sociology of Food?

### Deric Shannon, Assistant Professor of Sociology

Food and sociology may seem a strange mix, but food is central to topics sociologists study because food is central to being human. Join Dr. Shannon in this engaging talk about The Sociology of Food, coincidentally the title of his most recent addition to the Oxford College curriculum.

Tuesday, October 21, 4:00-5:00 pm

# 2. America's Most Distinctive College – The Story of Oxford

### Joe Moon, Dean of Campus Life

Join us in Emory's birthplace to hear Dean Joe Moon discuss the history that made Oxford College the Uncommon Place that he celebrates in his book of the same name, soon to be released in its second edition.

Tuesday, November 11, 4:00-5:00 pm

# 3. Weird Math: Hot Fudge, Hairy Balls and Topological Transformations

### Paul Oser, Director of the Mathematics Center

Professor Oser will first reveal a strange property of vector fields on a sphere. Then, using wet blankets, circus tents, biblical flooding, and other bizarre phenomena, he will explain the logic behind a similarly unexpected (and connected) theorem from graph theory. Who knew such a serious subject could be fun?

Tuesday, November 18, 4:00-5:00 pm

# 4. Understanding Art: Do We Know What We Like or Do We Like What We Know?

## Camille Cottrell, Associate Professor of Art

When it comes to art, it may be that what we see is what we *don't* get. Dr. Cottrell, who studies art and makes art and teaches students to do the same, will share her insights into this subject so universal and yet so mysterious in its appeal.

## Tuesday, December 2, 4:00-5:00 pm

# PLUS A SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM

# The Anatomy of a Hit Show

## Scott Garner, Executive Vice President, Oprah Winfrey Network

Oxford alum Scott Garner has been pursuing a career in television, first with the Sesame Street company, then with Nickelodeon, Turner, Disney, and Lifetime before assuming his position with OWN. He will share stories of well-known shows with which he's been associated.

### Monday, November 24, 7:30-8:30 pm, Tarbutton Theater [no tickets required, parking at Allen Memorial]