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EMORY COMES TO ALPHARETTA

Emory University Offers Continuing Education Programs in North Metro Area

Emory's Center for Lifelong Learning (ECLL) will begin offering some of their most popular continuing education programs in Alpharetta this fall.

ECLL's new location at 1725 Windward Concourse (Georgia 400, Exit 11) was chosen to provide those in the North Metro area with more convenient access to the continuing education Emory has traditionally offered at their Atlanta campus. The first programs to begin at the new location this fall will be Emory's Paralegal and Financial Planning Certificate Programs, followed by Evening at Emory's test preparation courses, and several professional development courses from Emory Professional Learning Programs. "These programs have been an excellent educational resource for professionals, career-changers and those looking for personal enrichment at Emory's Atlanta location for years," commented Steve Stoffle, Executive Director of Emory Center for Lifelong Learning. "We're excited to bring Emory's high quality non-credit courses to our Alpharetta neighbors."

According to figures from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2000 census, the cities just north of Atlanta have a total of more than 250,000 residents. In the City of Alpharetta, more than 63% of residents have college degrees. This demographic information, combined with student feedback about the long commute from Alpharetta to ECLL's primary location on Emory's campus, prompted Stoffle's decision to offer continuing education opportunities in the North Metro area.

Emory's first offering in the new location will be its prestigious Paralegal Certificate Program, which is scheduled to begin on Saturday, November 8. The program focuses on the practical skills and knowledge used in the professional legal workplace. Students can earn their certificate in six months, and classes will be offered in a Saturday format to accommodate working professionals. According to Jennifer John, ECLL's Certificate Program Manager, the paralegal program "has graduated more than 600 students at its Emory campus, but it hasn't been as convenient for people living north of the city. Now it is!"

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John also expressed her eagerness to roll out the Financial Planning Certificate Program at ECLL's new location.

"We are looking forward to contributing qualified financial planning graduates to the several thousand financial firms in the Alpharetta area," John said. The Financial Planning Program is scheduled to begin Friday, November 14.

Students in the program earn their certificates in nine months, and satisfy the education requirement to sit for the national CFP® Exam within one year. Emory's Financial Planning classes in Alpharetta will meet every other weekend from 4:30pm to 8:30pm on Fridays and Saturdays 8:30am-5:30pm.

Complimentary information sessions for both the Paralegal and Financial Planning Certificate Programs will take place on Saturday, September 20 and Saturday, October 11 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Alpharetta. The Paralegal session will begin at 10:30am, and the Financial Planning session at 1:00pm. Visit emoryparalegal.org or emorycfp.org to find out about future information sessions and program dates.

Evening at Emory, ECLL's personal enrichment education provider, will be offering their popular GMAT, MCAT, LSAT and GRE Comprehensive Preparation courses at the new, north metro location this fall. According to Peggy Crowe, Evening at Emory Program Manager, students in these courses "learn from an esteemed group of instructors, including Emory Faculty members, who possess proven track records of performance enhancing curriculum development." All of Emory's test prep courses are limited to less than 30 students, and courses range from four to eleven sessions each. "We are delighted to offer Alpharetta-area residents our top-notch, affordable test preparation program as an alternative to some of the higher-priced, less personal options that are out there," Crowe added.

To learn more about Emory Center for Lifelong Learning's new Alpharetta location, visit ccl.emory.edu/alpharetta.

About The Center for Lifelong Learning

The Center for Lifelong Learning is Emory University's non-credit continuing education department. Their goal is to extend Emory's ideal of the learning community beyond the core partnership of faculty and degree-seeking students by providing learning experiences to the community. To support this goal, ECLL offers students the opportunity to learn, and to empower and enrich their lives through classes offered year-round at Emory's campus, and now also in Alpharetta.

To learn more about ECLL or to register for a class visit the website at ccl.emory.edu or call 404-727-6000.

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Interviews with ECLL staff, instructors or students available on request.

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