

General Principles of the U3A movement

Based on the philosophy of the UK founder of the U3A movement, Dr Peter Laslett.

- Offer affordable learning opportunities for older people, using the skills and abilities of the members themselves.
- No qualifications required for membership; and no awards, degrees or diplomas are given.
- Emphasis is on learning for the love of it based on the values of constructing things and improving personal skills.
- Learning is in a friendly, supportive, social environment.
- Members of U3A shall pay for its upkeep.
- No person (member or non-member) will be paid for teaching or providing a service to members except in the case of reimbursement for such expenses as travel, photocopying.
- U3A's courses are determined by the needs/preferences of members and according to the resources available.
- At all times, U3A is non-political, non-sexist and non-sectarian.