OSHER 286-001

Dates: Mondays: August 31 – October 12
Times: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Online via Zoom
Instructor: Lauren Andersen

Course Description:

Follow the stories of four extraordinary women who pursued legal careers, justice and equality and became Supreme Court Justices. This course will examine the lives and careers of Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Justice Sonia Sotomayor and Justice Elena Kagan. Understand how their lives influenced their careers and why they sought a position on the highest court in the nation.


Course Outline:

Week 1: Sandra Day O’Connor’s beginning and appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court
Week 2: Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and her work on the U.S. Supreme Court
Week 3: Ruth Bader Ginsburg – from ACLU to the U.S. Supreme Court
Week 4: Justice Sonia Sotomayor
Week 5: Justice Elena Kagan
Week 6: Diversity on the U.S. Supreme Court: Diverse backgrounds, diverse voices, landmark decisions