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CHARLESTON, IL--Elderhostel, a national program designed to bring older adults to campus, will again be a part of Eastern Illinois University's summer program in 1983.

Director of Summer School Dr. Charles Switzer said Elderhostel is a one-week workshop format for persons 60 and older who believe that education is a lifelong experience.

Elderhostel is a non-credit program which costs \$180 for a week's activities. That price includes room and board and usually a field trip, Switzer said.

The participants live in a dormitory and are under no academic pressure since the program is not for credit, Switzer said.

He said people have come to Eastern from all across the nation to participate in Elderhostel.

Programs will be held on Eastern's campus July 17-23 and July 31-August 6. There is a 40-person limit to each class.

Elderhostel courses for the first session include:

- "Landscape Painting," with a field trip to Brown County, Ind.
- "American 20's."
- "Western Style Squaredancing."

Courses for the second session include:

- "Lincoln in Illinois," featuring a field trip to New Salem and Springfield to visit the memorials to Lincoln.
- "Travel Photography."

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--"The Ascent of Man," a scaled-down version of Dr. Jacob Bronowski's 13-film series covering the cultural evolution of man.

Switzer said the Elderhostel program is conducted at 600 colleges and universities across the country and in Europe and Canada. He said that over 55,000 attended the 496 institutions offering Elderhostel in the U.S. in 1982.