Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) is a life affirming, challenging practice in which you engage your own innate capacities to care for your body and mind. With commitment to yourself and your guide, you can find access to greater well-being and peace of mind.

Meditation helped in “getting myself to overcome fear of failure – to accept that failure is non-existent with the practice.” (course participant)

Instruction
This course is led by Randall H. Paulsen, M.D. at the Osher Clinical Center. It is based on the Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) program developed at the Center for Mindfulness at UMass Medical Center in Worcester, Massachusetts.

You Will Learn:
- **Practical coping skills** to improve your ability to handle stressful situations;
- **Methods** for being physically and mentally relaxed and at ease;
- **Gentle, full-body conditioning exercises** to strengthen your body and release muscular tension;
- **How to become increasingly aware** of the interplay of mind and body in health and illness;
- **How to take responsibility** for improving your own health;
- **How to face difficult times** in your life with greater ease;
- **How to develop your abilities** to help yourself move towards greater balance, control, and peace of mind.

You Will Receive:
- **Guided instruction** in mindfulness meditation and mindful Yoga practices;
- **Individually tailored** instruction;
- **A range of exercises** to enhance awareness in everyday life;
- **Exercises and methods** to enhance interpersonal communication skills;
- **Daily homework** assignments;
- **Course materials:** Audio-guided mindfulness practices (MP3s) and a workbook.

Orientation (Required for enrollment)
Thursday, September 28th & Tuesday, October 10th
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

You only need to attend one of the orientation sessions. Attendance at the free orientation class is required for course participation.

The orientation class will give you:
- A first-hand experience of mindfulness;
- A taste of the course;
- An opportunity to meet your instructor

Classes
October 17th to December 5th
Tuesdays from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Day Retreat
Sunday, November 19th
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Venue
Osher Clinical Center
850 Boylston St. Suite 422
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Registration
The cost of the course is $600, payable by credit or debit card. This payment can be made after attending the orientation and will hold your spot in the course. This course is not covered by insurance.

For more information or to be put on our mailing list for upcoming courses, please email us at OsherClinicalCenter@partners.org.