

JULY IN IRELAND

SUMMER 2015



Faculty instructors Jennifer Hackney and Brian Johnson have designed a program that will offer students an excellent introduction to Irish history, culture and pop culture. Drs. Hackney and Johnson have both previously lead OU summer study abroad courses in Ireland and elsewhere in Europe. They are delighted to be going back to Ireland with another group of OU students.

The days in Dublin at the program's start allow participants to adjust to European time and to begin exploring Irish history and culture. The course begins with a tour of Trinity College in the heart of Dublin. Participants will be housed in the dormitories there, with breakfast provided as part of the accommodation. In Dublin, students will also attend a dinner of traditional Irish food, followed by an evening of Irish music and dance.

Upon leaving Dublin on a chartered bus, the group will visit an ancient passage tomb older than the great pyramids of Egypt. The bus will then take the group on to Cork.

In Cork, the students and faculty live in dormitory apartments at University College Cork, one of OU's partner institutions abroad. Each participant will have an individual bedroom and private bathroom. Students will share a fully equipped kitchen and living room with up to 4 other OU students. Bed linens are provided and there is a laundry facility in the building.

Classes will meet Monday through Thursday, with possible optional day trips on some weekends. The students will have free time for independent travel around the Emerald Isle or elsewhere, if they wish. At the time of publication, two required excursions are planned and will be covered in the program costs. These weekend trips will include visits to the beautiful and dramatic landscapes of Mizenhead, the Cliffs of Moher, and Connemara National Park. Some of the scheduled towns we will visit include Galway, Bantry, Killarney and Garnish Island.

The maximum number of students is twenty-two. Places are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. All students who want to apply should make an appointment for study abroad advising with Karen Elmore, College of Arts & Sciences International Programs Coordinator: <http://iadvise.ou.edu/casip>.

