

JUNE IN IRELAND

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Main Campus University College Cork

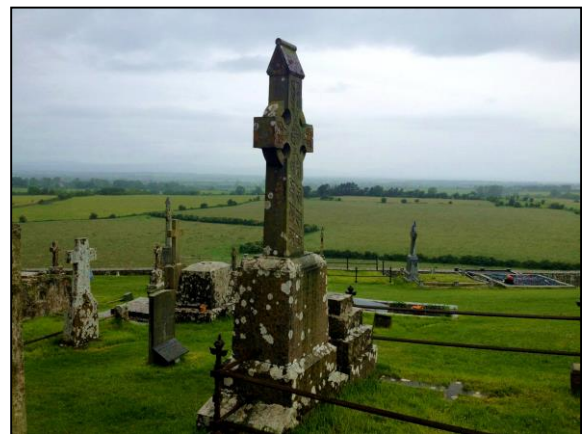
Professors Jennifer Hackney and Eric Bosse have designed a program that will offer students an excellent introduction to the sociology of Ireland and to travel writing. Dr. Hackney is delighted to be returning to Ireland for the sixth time with a group of OU students. Her fellow leader is Eric Bosse of OU Expository Writing, who led a group to Ireland in 2012. He also occasionally teaches creative writing for the English Department, and is a published fiction writer, poet, essayist, and journalist.

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 program 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 group arrival dinner consisting of traditional Irish food, accompanied by Irish music and storytelling. A walking tour of Dublin will focus on literature, and there will be free time for exploring. Before arriving in Cork by charter bus, the group will enjoy the lovely landscapes in Glendalough National Park.

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, sharing a fully equipped kitchen and living room with other OU students on the program. Bed linens are provided and there is a laundry facility on the premises.

Once the group arrives in Cork, classes will meet Monday through Thursday. Some Fridays may be used for group activities, but students will have free time for independent travel around the Emerald Isle or elsewhere. Two group excursions are planned and are covered in the program cost. Those trips visit the beautiful and dramatic landscapes of Mizen Head, the Slieve Liag cliffs, and Killarney National Park, as well as the cities of Galway, Athlone, Sligo, Kinsale, Tralee and Killarney. The group also will stop at the Rock of Cashel, where legend holds St. Patrick converted the King of Munster to Catholicism.

The maximum number of students is twenty. 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](#), Director of the International Programs Office in the College of Arts and Sciences.



Cross at the Rock of Cashel