

STUDY ABROAD

Study Abroad Program Proposal and Information Form

Form Instructions

Save this PDF to your desktop and email to johnson.136@osu.edu. Please include a letter of support from the head of your academic unit and documentation as requested in the Program Description section of this form. Deadlines vary by term:

Summer – February 1 of the previous academic year.

Autumn (including Winter break programs) July 1 of the previous academic year.

Spring (including Spring break programs) and May session programs attached to Spring semester courses – December 1.

May session "stand alone" programs – February 1 of the previous academic year.

Program Information

Proposed Program Title: Medieval Dublin Discovering Medieval Dublin / 9j.
 Program Dates: 6-31 May 2013 Program Country: Ireland Program City: Trim
 Name and Website of Host Institution (if applicable): Irish Archaeology Field School / iafs.ie

Program Term

- Summer 20 ____ Spring 20 ____
 Autumn 20 ____ Spring Break 20 ____
 Winter Break 20 ____ May Session 20 13

Program Type (visit oia.osu.edu for program type information)

- OSU Sponsored Student Exchange
 Third Party Provider/ Direct Enroll

Instructor Information

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Course Registration and Credit

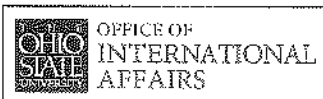
Indicate the course information in the chart below and attach an additional sheet if more than two courses will be offered.

Dept. & Course #	Title	Undergrad Credits	Graduate Credits	GE category, if applicable
<i>ARCH 4150 (example)</i>	<i>Architecture in Athens & Nicosia</i>	3	3	No
International Studies 5797	Medieval Dublin: Study Tour	3	3	No
History 3796	Study Tour	3	3	No

Program Description

Attach a supporting statement and include relevant documentation that addresses the following points:

1. Define the program in terms of program subject matter, learning objectives and instructional models. Include a draft syllabus and a preliminary list of excursions and cultural visits.
2. Describe the primary student audience for the proposed program and eligibility requirements. Estimate likely student enrollment initially and in subsequent years. Provide a description of the plan to be used for student recruitment.
3. Address how students can apply the credit toward their academic progress and how the program maps to the undergraduate or graduate curriculum of the sponsoring department. Has the coursework been submitted for review through the established curriculum approval process in your college?
4. For programs based at a host institution, provide an overview of the host institution with particular attention to prior experience in study abroad, host institution facilities and services, logistics, planning and administration. For programs not based at a host institution, provide an overview of the in-country arrangements and general program environment. Provide information on accommodations, meals and group meeting space.
5. Address issues of health, welfare, safety and security of students in the program environment and in any cities and/or rural environments where the program will take place.
6. Provide a draft OIA Program Information sheet for the proposed programs. Examples can be viewed at oia.osu.edu.



**Proposal:
Study Course in Trim, Ireland**

1. Overview

The proposed course would provide an in-depth experience of the world of medieval Ireland, beginning with a classroom-based orientation in Columbus and continuing with hands-on and on-site experiences in Ireland. The course will cover the following broad academic areas:

- a. **Medieval History** (focusing specifically on the early history of Ireland and the role of the founding Vikings)
- b. **Medieval Religion** (including both Viking religion and the role of Christianity)
- c. **Archaeology & Anthropology** (incorporating both traditional structure-based archaeology and bioarchaeology, as the site to be visited includes both architectural and human remains.

d. Proposed Preliminary Syllabus

Phase One: Orientation and Background in Columbus	
6 May	Introductions & Course Overview
7 May	Introduction to Medieval Ireland & the Vikings
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9 May	Crash-Course in Monastic History 2
10 May	Bone Day: a Introduction to Bioarchaeology with Leslie Williams (Doctoral Candidate in OSU's program in Bioarchaeology)
Phase Two: Hands-On Experience in Trim	
12 May	Travel to Trim via Dublin
13 May	Recover from jetlag! Settle in to housing and tour site in Trim & Trim Castle
14 May	On-Site Introduction to Practical Archaeology
15 - 17 May	Digging and Cataloging
20 May	Excursion to Viking Dublin
21-24 May	Digging and Cataloging
27 May	Medieval Ireland Excursion and Lecture with Dr. Lisa Bitel of University of Southern California
28-31 May	Digging and Cataloging
1 June or later	Return to USA or Continue on at Site (independently)

2. Proposed Student Audience

The proposed course will be of interest to History majors, Medieval & Renaissance Studies majors, and Anthropology majors. A preliminary meeting to discuss the possibilities of such a course attracted students from each of these majors! Over 30 students have expressed serious interest in enrolling in the course. History is willing to let the course run with as few as 6 students, and the directors of the Field School in Trim suggest 20 as an ideal number. I will offer a second, more detailed information session if the course is approved, at the beginning of Spring Semester 2013. I will also produce posters for distribution to History, Medieval & Renaissance Studies, Anthropology, and other departments and programs with medieval components such as English and Religious Studies.

3. Academic Credit

Students would receive 3 academic credits toward their major in History or Medieval & Renaissance Studies. The course would eventually be assigned a number (History 3798 or 4798) and the application of credits should be seamless. I would expect departments beyond History to accept the credits as they would for any history course offered at OSU.

4. Host Institution [source: iafs.ie]

The Irish Archaeology Field School (IAFS) is Ireland's leading provider of university accredited, site-based archaeological research and training. The ethos of the school is to provide an opportunity for students and enthusiasts of archaeology and anthropology to experience at first hand the excitement of archaeological excavation in a teaching environment. Excavations are undertaken within an established research framework led by a team of highly qualified and experienced archaeologists. They carry out archaeological research excavation, with a strong teaching component, to allow students and visitors a first hand and unique experience of discovering the past. Students of the school will undertake all aspects of an archaeological excavation and discovery at the site and contribute to the community project. The IAFS provides direct assistance with all local arrangements, including housing, transportation, food, and excursions.

5. Health, Welfare & Safety

I anticipate no problems with issues of health (the dead people we may contact are long dead...), and Trim and Ireland are generally safe and welcoming to Americans. We will be in both urban and rural areas.

**Discovering Medieval Dublin
OSU Maymester 2012**

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Credit Hour Justification by Type:

1. Total Classroom Hours (Alison Beach, Columbus): 10
2. Total Classroom Hours (IAFS staff and Lisa Bitel, USC): 6
3. Total Laboratory Hours (IAFS field work and field trips): 120

Program

This is an intensive Maymester course designed to offer students the opportunity to experience first-hand the history of medieval Ireland. The program begins in Columbus with an intensive classroom-based introduction to the history of medieval Dublin, with a special focus on the religious landscape of the area and an introduction to the field of bioarchaeology. Students will then travel to Trim, Ireland for a first-hand experience of discovering the past. The group will spend three weeks participating actively in an archaeological excavation of a medieval monastery and cemetery: the Black Friary. In Trim, students will be trained in excavation methods by a team of professional archaeologists from the Irish Archaeology Field School. Students will also participate in group field trips to Dublin (with a special focus on Viking Dublin) and the surrounding area, and have the opportunity to explore on their own.

Location

The Black Friary is located in the town of Trim, County Meath, Ireland. This is a small town approximately 40 minutes from the city of Dublin. Trim retains much of its medieval street pattern, with buildings of archaeological and historical importance including the surviving elements of the original medieval town wall, church buildings dating from the thirteenth century. The town is dominated by Trim Castle, the largest Anglo-Norman castle in Ireland. Trim is also a vibrant market town with shops, cafes, and walking trails.

Course Credit

The Discovering Medieval Dublin program will offer 3 semester hours of Ohio State credit through the History Department.

Accommodations

Students will be responsible for organizing their own housing in Columbus prior to departure for Ireland. In Ireland, students will live in group houses with common kitchen facilities in the town of Trim. Students and instructors will prepare and share group meals. Students should plan to bring approximately \$200 for food.

Application Information

Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad via Buckeyelink. Please note that upon application, a \$150 application fee will be assessed to your Statement of Account. The application fee will be refunded only if you are not accepted or submit a written request to withdraw your application prior to the application date. The application will require students to submit a personal statement. The deadline for application is 1 February 2013.

Johnson, Grace

From: Hahn, Peter <hahn.29@osu.edu>
Sent: Friday, December 14, 2012 10:50 AM
To: Johnson, Grace
Cc: Beach, Alison L; Burton, Martha
Subject: Beach Maymester in Ireland

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Grace:

I strongly support Professor Alison Beach's study abroad program in Ireland in May 2013. I have reviewed her proposal and information form and discussed the program with her and I think that the program will have considerable academic merit. The department will reward Professor Beach with either additional salary or with a course credit, pending clarification of Maymester regulations and financial resources.

Best,
Peter

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