



The Politics of Transformation: Ireland Past & Present
Dublin, Belfast and Derry
Department of Political Science
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Program: Ireland will provide the classroom for students in the study of the contemporary politics of Ireland. We will look at within country dynamics, the role of the British, the split between Catholic and Protestant faiths as well as the residue of these social forces in contemporary political activity. Some of the sites we will visit:

Kilmainham Jail, Book of Kells, meet with several members of the Northern Irish Assembly in Belfast, Shankill Road Murals, site of Bloody Sunday in Derry, meet with representative of Derry Mayor's office, meet with Peace and Reconciliation Group, meet with the Apprentice Boys of Derry, etc.

Eligibility: Completed applications from those meeting the following criteria will be fully considered: 1) Graduate Students and upper-level undergraduates in good standing at SIUE, 2) Minimum GPA: 2.25 for undergraduate students 3.00 for graduate students



Course Credit Participants will be enrolled in POLS350, POLS449 and POLS 479 for 9 credit hours. There will be a required pre-trip meeting and a debriefing session upon return. Other academic requirements include a personal journal, a photo journal and course blog. Professional, responsible behavior is required, 24/7, while traveling out of country. Your conduct must represent and reflect favorably upon SIUE at all times, including free time.

Cost

The cost will be \$3475 (20 students) or \$3725 (15 students). **Included** in this price are: air and ground transportation, group activities, daily breakfast, two dinners, & hotel accommodations. **Not included** in the cost are SIUE tuition (9 credit hours), lunch & dinners, optional entertainment, excess baggage fees, & incidentals.

• **First payment: \$500 due with enrollment by January 25, 2012. No payments before Jan. 18, please.**



- **Balance due March 15, 2012 upon receipt of invoice.**
- Financial aid is available. Please contact the SIUE Financial Aid Office for details.
- Please turn in your application as soon as possible as they will be due no later than 4:40 pm January 20, 2012. Applications need not include first payment, as first payment will be due January 25, 2012.
- A passport that is valid through November 2012 will be required for participation.