Why Northern Ireland?

Northern Ireland was a country in division and struggle along Catholic and Protestant lines. Behind the apparent struggle over religious beliefs lay a civil rights struggle of poverty vs. privilege, lack vs. abundance, and privilege vs. oppression.

Northern Ireland has begun to heal these wounds through dialogue, reconciliation and policy change. In this course, you will learn dialogue skills used with communities to dialogue toward reconciliation.

Northern Ireland is a beautiful country that welcomes students from the US with open arms.

General Course Information

- Great opportunity for students
- No special shots or visa needed to travel to Northern Ireland.
- A pre-trip seminar will be held on October 28, 2014 at 5:00 pm in 369 Stone building at UNCG.
- US passport required.
- All students and faculty stay together in dormitory rooms by the Irish Sea.
- Faculties hold seminars weekly and are available daily for consultation.
- Learn about civil rights from both a US and an Irish perspective.
- Participants will be expected to purchase required books.
- Apply for program and then pay $400 application fee when chosen.

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Advance your skills in Dialogue & Reconciliation

Comparative Study and Cross-Cultural Practice: USA & Northern Ireland
SWK 522 Z

Spring, 2015
March 6-14, 2015 (Northern Ireland)
Thursday, 6:00-8:00 pm (UNCG)
3 Credit Hours
The Department of Social Work and International Programs at UNCG will offer a 3 semester hour course on Cross-Cultural Social Work Practice: Northern Ireland in Spring, 2015.

Students will have an immersion experience at Corrymeela International Peace Center in Ballycastle, Northern Ireland for one week during Spring Break, March 6-14, 2015.

In preparation for the Northern Ireland trip, students will meet on Thursday nights from 6:00-8:00 pm from 1/15/15 to 3/26/15 to discuss the Civil Rights struggle in Northern Ireland and in the USA. Students will learn about the culture of Northern Ireland and how “The Troubles” impacted communities.

**Activities Included in This Course.**

- Daily activities lead by Corrymeela staff on creating meaningful dialogues and moving towards reconciliation
- Interacting with international staff and volunteers at Corrymeela.
- Bus trip to Belfast. See the famous mural walls of Belfast. Enjoy some Irish music!
- Trip to Derry and the National Civil Rights Archive and Museum
- Daily opportunities for cultural learning and discussion with experts on peace and reconciliation.
- Bus trip to Giants Causeway and the Irish Coast.
- Roam the streets of an Irish Village and partake in Irish food and beverage.

**UNCG Northern Ireland Spring Break 2015**

This study abroad program provides an opportunity to study for one week at Corrymeela international peace center.

Students will stay together on the Corrymeela campus in beautiful dorm rooms overlooking the sea. See the accommodations at [http://www.corrymeela.org/](http://www.corrymeela.org/)

**How Do I Apply?**

- Contact Dr. Claes at jaclaes@uncg.edu
- Faculty will schedule an interview once application is complete.
- Once accepted in program, pay deposit by December 5, 2014 deadline.

**Cost of Study**

Program costs include all excursions, lodging, instruction, two meals per day, all transportation, and transfers to and from airport.

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**Course Information**

SWK 522 Z Cross-Cultural Social Work Practice in Northern Ireland (3 CH)

Deposit of $400 is due by December 5, 2014
$2011 due January 16, 2015
Proof of Airline ticket February 2, 2015
Deposit is non-refundable
Financial aid may be available. Check with Financial Aid Office.

* Studyabroad.uncg.edu,

**Questions?**

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