



Queen's University Belfast, Northern Ireland Summer

Belfast, Northern Ireland (Europe)

Quick Facts

Summer 2021

Dates: June - July, 2021

Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

Costs: \$5,350 CCIS Member | \$5,750 Non-Member

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Please note \$500 deposit due two weeks after acceptance.

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Program Overview

Belfast has been growing in popularity as a travel destination in the last few years, developing a vibrant restaurant scene, award-winning architecture, and a new cosmopolitanism. However, most residents still prefer discussing politics over their famous fried breakfasts. The friendliness of the people is what's most appealing in this small and very walkable city, from smiling servers to talkative bartenders to helpful strangers on the street. Your time in Belfast will

allow you to explore this hidden gem to its fullest - and perhaps run into a cast member from Game of Thrones while you're at it!

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Contact Program Sponsor and Advisor



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This program is sponsored and administered by the College of Staten Island, CUNY.

Academics & Program

Your host institution, Queen's University, is one of the UK's leading research intensive universities as well as one of the biggest campus universities. Its heritage stretches back 160 years, blending their proud heritage with cutting edge facilities for the best experience of university life. Outside of the classroom, you can participate in more than fifty sporting clubs and over 100 non-sporting societies.

The oldest society is the Literary and Scientific Society, which focuses on debating political, cultural and social issues within Northern Ireland. The university also runs the Queen's Film Theatre, which has been described as Northern Ireland's leading independent cinema.

Instructor's Language: English

Summer Academics

Queen's University Belfast offers three exciting interdisciplinary International Summer Schools:

- CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION - Study in a Post-Conflict Society
- IRISH STUDIES - Discover our Remarkable Island
- STORY - Immerse Yourself in Storytelling

which all will take place June 21 - July 18, 2020.

These academic courses are delivered by world leading scholars across a range of disciplines. Over four weeks, you will be able to follow your interests in history, literature, law, languages, politics, anthropology, sociology, film and theater - the choice is yours!

CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION - Study in a Post-Conflict Society

QUB offers a diverse interdisciplinary Summer School set in a unique backdrop of a society emerging from conflict.

Conflict Transformation examines the theories and practices of conflict transformation from within local and global perspectives, including case studies of Northern Ireland, the Balkans, the Middle East, South Asia and South America, as well as evaluating how religion impacts upon peace-building. Students will learn how interventions and policies dedicated to conflict transformation have failed or succeeded.

The program will position the importance of security, transitional justice and the role of restorative justice in democracy building. Understanding how border conflicts and social injustice encourage conflict and violence will also be studied. Other important features of peace-building that include negotiation and dialogue, the problem of dealing with victims issues and perpetrators of injustice will also form part of the overall learning around the research methods and ethics required for the restoration of social justice.

Conflict Transformation provides the opportunity to examine the history of conflicts and processes of social justice not only on the island of Ireland but around the world. Students will be taught by expert scholars from a wide range of disciplines including Politics, Law, International Studies, Anthropology, Sociology, History, Psychology, Film and Theatre.

Areas of study include:

- Religion and Peacebuilding
- Intervention and Integration
- Transitional Justice
- Human Rights and Social Justice
- Cross-border Co-operation
- Discourses and Dialogue in Conflict Transformation
- Representing and Dealing with the Past
- Research Methods and Ethics in Conflict Transformation
- Policing and Securitization

There will be exciting opportunities to hear first-hand accounts of the practical dimensions of conducting research in conflict zones and to debate the implications for policy and practice. Students are also given the opportunity to meet with some of Northern Ireland's decision-makers – key politicians, church and community leaders. There are excursions to archaeological, historical and cultural sites in Belfast and beyond, with Irish music and dance evenings as well.

STORY - Driving Change Through Learning

This new International Summer School capitalises on Northern Ireland's longestablished culture of storytelling and its significant, diverse contributions to creative industries around the world. Our communities have produced storytellers of international acclaim from the Nobel Prizewinning poet Seamus Heaney and the novelist C.S Lewis to Lisa McGee, the writer of Channel 4's hit TV series 'Derry Girls'. The contemporary creative landscape is vibrant environment for aspiring writers, producers and performers too with emerging voices given a place to thrive and experiment at Queen's University, which houses the Seamus Heaney Centre, The Sonic Arts Research Laboratory, Brian Friel Theatre and Queen's Film Theatre. We offer students a flexible credit-bearing curriculum across four weeks. Based in the School of Arts, English and Languages, Story capitalises on the School's diverse research and teaching strengths with concentrations on: songwriting; storytelling; testimonial theatre; myth and memory; immersive storytelling; prose/script/screenwriting; arts and cultural sector engagement.

Core programme:

Week 1: Introducing Story

This week introduces perspectives on story e.g. whose stories are told in arts and cultural institutions and whose stories are funded?; political story via social media; translation and world literature; theatre and workshop; the role of story after trauma in different social and cultural contexts; the production of story.

Week 2: Making Story I

Students will opt into a strand of their choice on story e.g. music or creative writing.

Week 3: Making Story II

Students will opt into a second strand of their choice e.g. screenwriting, prose, drama or drama/theatrical production/radio drama.

Week 4: Producing Story

All participants take the final broadcast element, which is key to their themed strands creating one project online output, podcast, short video/film, piece of writing or poster/visual art piece. The Summer School will conclude with a showcase event of students' productions.

IRISH STUDIES - Discover our Remarkable Island

For the Irish Studies track, students will participate in a program in association with the successful Fulbright Commission Summer Institute.

Participants of all ages (18+) and from a wide variety of backgrounds are welcome. Administrators, Teachers and Professors, undergraduates and postgraduates, as well as those who simply have a passion for Irish history and culture can participate. Lectures and seminars are given by internationally-acclaimed scholars on various aspects of the study of Ireland, including literature, history, politics, anthropology, geography, film and theater, language and music, and the program includes a series of field trips to sites across Northern Ireland.

The International Summer School in Irish Studies will examine the history and influence of our island on the world and uses this to gain a greater perspective on the planet we share. Lectures and seminars are given by internationally-acclaimed scholars on various aspects of the study of Ireland, including literature, history, politics, anthropology, geography, film and theater, language and music.

The program include a series of field trips to sites across Northern Ireland, including program specific trips to the poet Seamus Heaney's Homeplace, the birthplace of St Patrick, Downpatrick and the city of Armagh, the ecclesiastical capital of Ireland.

Lectures will include:

- The history of the people on our land
- Ireland's place in the world
- The extraordinary and powerful history of migration and diaspora
- The turbulent, intertwined and sometimes creative relationships between Britain and Ireland
- The part played by the north, particularly Belfast and Derry/Londonderry, in our history
- Language, literature, music, dance and art
- Conflict and peace
- Heritage, identity and varieties of Irishness

Students can choose to specialize in one of two strands: Literature and Culture or History and Heritage

HISTORY AND HERITAGE

Discover the social, political and economic landscape of the island of Ireland.

Classes specific to this strand include Medieval Ireland. Civil Rights in Northern Ireland, women's history in Ireland and the Great Famine.

LITERATURE AND CULTURE

Further explore the writers, poets and traditional Irish culture of the island.

Classes specific to this strand include the cultural history of the 'Titanic', an introduction to the Irish language and the study of the works of Irish writers and poets including Seamus Heaney, WB Yeats and James Joyce.

Find more information regarding the [QUB Summer 2020 programs look here](#), but note that the application process and costs in the brochure do not apply to CCIS students.

Student Life & Housing

Belfast is an extremely easy city to get around, so you will have access to everything while staying in university accommodation, a short walk from campus. Belfast is more affordable than every other major student city in the UK; in fact it's almost 50% cheaper than London. With less money spent on rent, amenities, and food, you'll have more left over to experience Belfast's amazing culture.

With so much culture at your fingertips, you'll never be at a loss for something to do. The Belfast's Botanic Gardens, 28 acres of green lawns and trees, is right off campus, or you can explore Belfast's trendiest neighborhood, the Cathedral Quarter. Its cobbled streets are now home to bustling restaurants, pubs, and arts venues. Being by the ocean and lush countryside will fill up your weekends as you take in everything this part of the island nation has to offer.

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For Summer Schools students we include and guarantee ensuite accommodation in one of the new facilities BT1/BT2.

Accommodation is provided for 27 nights in Queen's new student accommodation facility in Belfast City Centre. The new accommodation at BT1/BT2 opened in Autumn 2018 and is located just 15 minutes' walk from Queen's main campus (0.9miles). You'll be neighbours with the vibrant city-centre nightlife, popular restaurants and local supermarkets. You will be nestled in the middle of a fantastic coffee culture featuring some of Belfast's most popular independent coffee shops.

Each apartment is comprised of a maximum of 6 en suite private bedrooms and a communal equipped kitchen and living room area with television and sofa. There is also a self-service laundry facility located within the accommodation (equipped with washing machines, dryers, irons and ironing boards)

If you select the accommodation option, your booking will include:

- 27 nights at Queen's student accommodation
- Private room
- Private en suite bathroom
- Thermostat control within private bedroom
- Utility bills
- WiFi Internet
- Bed linen and towels changed 3 times a week
- Cleaning service: Kitchen and communal area cleaned twice a week. Please note students are responsible for washing the dishes and cookware themselves
- Communal kitchen and common room with a TV and kitchen equipment
- 24-hour safety staff
- Reception

Check in and out times

Check in: Sunday 21 June 2020 from 2.00pm

Check out: Saturday 18 July 2020 by 10.30am

If you are arriving or departing outside of these times on the arrival and departure dates please email us so we can arrange your check in! summerschools@qub.ac.uk

Please note it may not always be possible to facilitate such requests so when booking travel you should try to work around these times.

Booking extra nights

If you would like to stay additional nights at Queen's accommodation outside of the dates provided, you can book and pay for these as a separate booking by e-mailing summerschools@qub.ac.uk Please let the team know that you are staying as part of the Summer Schools.

Kitchen facilities

Your kitchen comes equipped with the following: Kettle, Fridge / Freezer, Oven / Hob, Microwave, Toaster, Crockery, Cutlery, Cooking utensils , Frying pans / Skillets, Saucepans, Baking trays / sheets, Chopping boards

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Costs included: Tuition and administrative fees, housing, pre-departure and onsite orientations, sickness and accident insurance

Costs not included: Estimated costs include international airfare (\$600-1,100), meals (\$1,000), personal expenses (\$800), books (\$200), visa fees if necessary (\$125)

All costs, fees, and dates are subject to change without notification. Contact the program sponsor to verify all costs, fees, and dates for this program.

Please refer to your acceptance materials for information on arrival, orientation, and academic calendar. The refund policy is program specific and non-transferable. Refer to your acceptance materials for the comprehensive refund policy or contact the program sponsor.

Eligibility & Deadlines

Eligibility Requirements

- Minimum of 12 college credits at time of application - 3.0 GPA or higher
- Official transcripts
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher who knows the applicant from a classroom setting
- Statement of purpose
- Students must be at least 18 years of age

Application Deadline

March 15

Have you talked with your study abroad advisor about your home institution's application process? Your institution's deadline might be earlier than the CCIS program application deadline. Check now to make sure all of your material is submitted on time!