National University of Ireland, Galway Summer
Galway, Ireland (Europe)

Quick Facts

**Business and International Management** [Cancelled]

**Dates:** June 2, 2021 – August 1, 2021 (Tentative)

**Application Deadline:** April 1 (Tentative)

**Costs:**
- [One course & internship] $5,800 CCIS Member | $6,200 Non-Member
- [Two courses & internship] $7,000 CCIS Member | $7,400 Non-Member

(Suspended)

**Ecology: Living Landscapes in the West of Ireland** [Cancelled]

**Dates:**

**Application Deadline:** April 1 (Tentative)

**Costs:**
- [One Module] $3,300 CCIS Member | $3,700 Non-Member
- [Two Modules] $5,600 CCIS Member | $6,000 Non-Member

(Suspended)

**Education in Ireland (Graduate-level)** [Cancelled]
Irish Language [ Cancelled ]
Dates: July 10, 2021 – August 7, 2021 (Tentative)
Application Deadline: April 1 (Tentative)
Costs: [With shared room] $3,900 CCIS Member | $4,300 Non-Member
[With single room] $4,400 CCIS Member | $4,800 Non-Member
(Tentative)

Irish Studies [ Cancelled ]
Dates: June 15, 2021 – July 14, 2021 (Tentative)
Application Deadline: April 1 (Tentative)
Costs: $4,600 CCIS Member | $5,000 Non-Member (Tentative)

Irish Fieldschool of Prehistoric Archaeology [ Cancelled ]
Dates: July 12, 2021 – July 18, 2021 (Tentative)
Application Deadline: April 1 (Tentative)
Costs: $2,100 CCIS Member | $2,500 Non-Member (Tentative)

Achill Archaeological Field School [ Cancelled ]
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Galway is the ideal European university town. A significant number of Galway’s population is made up of current or former college students; the resulting interdependence of town and gown has helped build a compact, thriving city that caters to young people. Galway has been enjoying an economic boom in recent times; yet, it still retains a powerful and intimate sense of community.

For nearly a thousand years, Galway has been the largest and most important city in the west of Ireland. As the capital of Connemara – the outcropping of land between the River Corrib and the Atlantic Ocean – Galway is at the heart of one of the world’s most scenic and evocative landscapes. Cultural richness is reflected by the strong academic programs in Irish Studies offered by the University, and by the lively arts scene for which Galway is renowned.
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Academics & Program

National University of Ireland in Galway Summer School

The National University of Ireland, Galway was established in 1845 and is located in the fourth largest city in the Republic of Ireland. The school, situated on the banks of the River Corrib, offers a variety of student services that are all close to Galway's city center. Galway is a vibrant cosmopolitan city with a thriving cultural and commercial community. Traces of Galway's rich medieval past are evident on all sides. Because of its dynamic and pioneering role in theater, arts and culture, Galway has earned the title "Cultural Capital of Ireland." The University now has over 15,000 students and more than fifty academic departments and research centers.

Academic resources include a library, computer resource center, an Irish Language Center, and the Applied Languages Center.

Course Offerings

*Note: Course scheduling and availability is subject to change at the discretion of the host institution.

Business and International Management

- Economic Policy in Ireland (SS1153)
- International & Cross Cultural Management (SS1155)
- Internship (Applied Project Placement - SS1156)

Expand your professional work experience and increase your knowledge of international business and economics with this new and exciting summer school in business including specialist courses in economic policy in Ireland and international cross-cultural management. The summer school in Business will consist of two courses, delivered in parallel providing students with a multi-disciplinary approach to studying business and developing the skills to work within an international business setting.

The 8 week summer school consists of a combination of academic courses and an internship programme along the following timeline:

Weeks 1-2: induction and internship placement
Weeks 3-7: academic modules and internship placement
Ecology: Living Landscapes in the West of Ireland

- Living Landscapes of the Burren and East County Galway (Module 1 - SS1152)
- Living Landscapes of Connemara and Joyce Country (Module 2 - SS1151)

This new and exciting summer school course offers students practical experience of the natural environment in the west of Ireland. It provides students with survey skills to identify natural resources, and develops their skills to evaluate the sustainable use and conservation of Ireland's ecological resources.

County Galway, on Ireland's Atlantic West Coast is a land of contrasts. Influenced by its oceanic climate, glacial history, hydrology, geology and human habitation, it has developed a variety of beautiful landscapes with unique and fascinating habitats and species. From the fertile rocks of the Burren karst limestone, to the raised bogs of the midlands, the sheer cliffs of the Aran Islands to the salt marshes of Galway Bay, there is a wealth of natural history to explore.

This course is largely field-based, and students will visit a variety of landscapes to learn about the environment, habitats and species of the region. The course adopts a multi-disciplinary approach to studying ecology so the learners engage with all aspects of how these ecosystems are created and maintained through natural processes and anthropogenic activity. It will also consider conservation and sustainability issues and how a sound understanding of these ecological processes is used to combat the challenges facing the environment.

The summer school will consist of two modules, each two weeks in duration, which will focus on a selection of habitat types in the east and west of the county. The modules may be taken individually as a two week course or together as a comprehensive four week course.

Education in Ireland (Graduate-level)

- The Education System of Ireland (SS123)

This Continuing Professional Development programme is designed to offer teachers the opportunity to study particular aspects of the Irish education system and, concurrently, to study the history, literature and culture of Ireland. It is suitable for elementary and secondary teachers, adult learning practitioners, STEM, minority language and special education teachers, those involved in school administration and graduate researchers.

Course Faculty includes members of the University; additionally guest educational practitioners contribute substantially to the course.

Teaching is by means of lectures, seminars, meetings with Irish educators and visits to educational institutions, as well as guided cultural tours which facilitate contact with the music, language and people of Ireland. Students are provided with informal opportunities to view and study relevant resources from the University Library. Facilities and time for private study as well as touring and sightseeing at weekends are offered. Assessment for those requiring credits is carried out on a continuous basis.

Irish Language

- Beginners Course (SS102)
- Elementary Course (SS103)
- Intermediate Course (SS104)
The National University of Ireland, Galway offers Irish Language summer school courses at beginners’, elementary, intermediate and advanced levels each summer. These summer school courses are located at the University's Irish-Language Centre, Áras Mháirtín Uí Chadhain, An Cheathrú Rua in the heart of Connemara (approx 1 hour from Galway City).

Quite apart from being a region of great beauty, Connemara is a major Gaeltacht (Irish-speaking district) and is endowed with a rich folk tradition. The village of An Cheathrú Rua, therefore, provides the ideal location for learning Irish in its natural environment.

Excursions and visits will be arranged to several Irish-speaking locations to experience language and culture in their natural environment. Towns and villages that will be visited include Ros a’ Mhíl, Ros Muc and An Spidéal with its local specialised crafts. The course will include receptions and evenings of traditional Irish entertainment for students.

Each summer school course will include:

- Intensive instruction in spoken Irish each day.
- Special classes in traditional Irish singing and dancing.
- Introductory lectures on relevant topics including Irish History, Literature, Folklore and Society.

**Irish Studies**

- Representing Ireland - Literature and Film (SS115)
- The Archaeological Heritage of Ireland - from the First Settlers to Medieval Castles (SS116)
- Irish History: Conflict, Identity and the Shaping of Modern Ireland (SS117)
- Introduction to Art in Ireland: Exploring Ireland's Vibrant Artistic Heritage from Prehistory to the ‘Golden Age’ of the 8th Century AD (SS118)
- Creative Writing: Poetry and Fiction & Memoir (SS119)
- Gaelic Culture and Literature: From Cú Chulainn to the Cultural Revival and Beyond (SS120)
- Irish Society: Stasis and Change in the Ambiguous Republic (SS121)
- Irish Traditional Music and Dance (SS122)
- Economic Policy in Ireland (SS1153)

The Irish Studies Summer School comprises an integrated introduction to Irish Studies incorporating elements from all the contributing disciplines, a series of interdisciplinary seminars focusing on key themes in Irish Studies such as Identity, Emigration, and Religion, and a broad range of elective courses as outlined below.

Teaching will be by means of lectures, seminars, dramatic performances, guided tours and informed contact with the music, language and people of Ireland. An interdisciplinary approach will be used within each module and between the modules of the Irish Studies Summer School.

Field trips are an integral part of the programme. All students participate on field trips to Dingle and the Aran Islands. Students of SS115 Representing Ireland – Literature & Film will visit Coole Park, Thoor Ballylee and Kilmacduagh. Students of SS116 The Archaeological Heritage of Ireland will visit sites in the Burren. Students of SS118 Introduction to Art in Ireland will visit the Book of Kells and the National Museum in Dublin. Students of SS1153 Economic Policy will go on a field trip to the National Parliament of Ireland.

Students enroll in 2 of the 9 module options available. In addition, introductory classes in the Irish language are provided for interested students as part of the Irish Studies programme.

**Irish Fieldschool of Prehistoric Archaeology**
Experimental Archaeology

The Irish Fieldschool of Prehistoric Archaeology has been delivering NUIG accredited excavation, survey and experimental archaeology courses since 2015. We aim to provide practical hands-on education while conducting cutting edge research into prehistoric societies. We want our students to understand our research questions, think critically about the techniques we employ and fully engage in the interpretive process.

During the summer of 2020, we will only be delivering our experimental archaeology course. Our excavation and survey courses will be returning to the programme in 2021.

Our experimental archaeology course concentrates on Bronze Age technologies. It is primarily an experiential course, during which students become familiar with materials that were available in the Bronze Age and the techniques used to work them. We have a particular focus on Bronze casting, especially lost-wax technique casting. The course is 8 hours a day for 5 days. It includes lectures on the Irish Bronze Age and workshops on bronze casting.

Achill Archaeological Field School

- Introduction to Archaeology of Ireland (SS106)
- Archaeological Field Studies (SS107)
- Data Analysis (SS108)
- Dig, Draw, Digitise (SS1109)
- Ceramics in Archaeology (SS1110)

Established in 1991, the Achill Archaeological Field School has over 25 years of experience in training archaeology and anthropology students. Located on Achill Island on Ireland’s stunning Wild Atlantic Way, the field school combines top quality education with unforgettable experiences.

The Field School offers six, four, and two-week accredited courses that come with up to 9 semester credits/18 ECTS. The courses cover a full range of excavation, site recording techniques, and lab work. In 2019 Achill Archaeological Field School returned to Caraun Point for a second season of excavation. The primary focus of this year’s work was three drystone houses which date to the Post-Medieval period. The houses are located in a dynamic coastal environment which is constantly evolving due to wind and wave action. Artefacts recovered from the excavation include glass and pottery, along with animal bone and shellfish remains. Analysis of these objects give us an insight into the livelihood and diet of the people who lived here. One unexpected discovery was the presence of a probable Early-Medieval ringfort immediately to the west of our excavation. Habitation deposits associated with this site were evident beneath the Post-Medieval houses and some artefacts of 8th to 10th century date were recovered. Next year’s excavation season already looks like it will be fascinating.

The key to our training is small group sizes, combined with instruction that is delivered directly by highly experienced archaeologists. In this way we ensure that each lesson is delivered in great detail, and that each student fully understands the different procedures and the rationales behind them. On site work during the first element of the course introduces the student to the basic techniques of archaeological excavation, including laying out trenches, removing overburden, and excavating archaeological deposits with a variety of hand tools. Lectures introduce the Chronology of Irish Archaeology whilst a series of workshops develop the students understanding of the principals of excavation.

Caherconnell Archaeological Field School

- Introduction to Archaeological Excavation (SS109)
- Intermediate Archaeological Excavation (SS110)
- Advanced Archaeological Excavation (SS111)
The unique Burren landscape of western Ireland has huge archaeological potential, on a local, regional, national, and international scale, due to its excellent preservation of upstanding remains and material culture. The Caherconnell Archaeological Project began in 2007 with an excavation within a large settlement enclosure (a ‘cashel’) of Caherconnell, in the central Burren, Co. Clare. The following year, a second excavation was undertaken, this time focused on a medieval structure outside the cashel. 2009 saw a third excavation, one that concentrated on a prehistoric settlement and ritual site. The School was established in 2010 to continue archaeological research in this landscape, and is currently excavating the royal settlement of Caherconnell cashel itself.

The Caherconnell Archaeological Field School course is designed to cater for anyone with an interest in the Irish past, archaeological excavation, monument and artefact survey. The skills taught can be used around the world, and are not confined to Irish archaeology. No prior experience is required, though places are limited so early application is advised, with applications opening in Sep/Oct each year. The excavations and research that students participate in at Caherconnell is of national and international significance. The archaeology of this place is very rich, allowing the development of a landscape approach and the tracing of uninterrupted native activity over the course of thousands of years.

Galway Archaeological Field School

- Introduction to Archaeological Excavation (SS109)
- Castles, Cloisters and Churches: The Architecture of Medieval Ireland (SS124)
- Recording Methods in Archaeological Survey and Excavation (SS125)

The Galway Archaeological Field School has been established to provide students with hands-on experience of the archaeology and architecture of medieval Ireland. We specialise in this field and seek to immerse our students in the wealth of medieval castles, churches and monasteries which lie scattered across the Irish landscape. The Field school offers three courses: a two-week non-excavation course focussed on the study of medieval architecture and two four-week excavation courses, one serving as an introduction to archaeological excavation and one offering experienced students further tuition in the various recording techniques used in archaeological excavation.

Students often combine the two-week architecture course with one of the four-week excavation courses to create an unforgettable six-week stay in Ireland.

Academic Highlights

Courses give students a rich and diverse perspective of their subject area and are taught by lecturers and education professionals who have an in-depth knowledge of their specialty and are excited to share in your learning journey. Through stimulating lectures, workshops and educational field trips, students will experience a teaching environment that encourages debate, learning and new ways of thinking, providing new knowledge and skills which will remain with you for life.

Students will have access to library, audio and visual facilities of the University.

Course Credits

Credits vary by course

Language of Instruction

English, other than language courses
**Student Life & Housing**

**Housing**

Accommodation for the Education in Ireland, Irish Studies, Ecology, and Business & International Management programs is in [Corrib Village](#). This type of housing provides students with single rooms in fully furnished, self-catering apartments. The residences are located close to a supermarket for shopping requirements. Laundry facilities are available on site. Bed linen, crockery, etc are provided in the apartments. Student residences are approximately a 15-minute walk to class.

For the Irish Language program, accommodation is provided with Irish-speaking families, with a minimum of four students and a maximum of ten students per host family (average of 6 - 8 students per host family); single or shared rooms.

All Field School programs arrange accommodation near the work sites.

**Duration & Costs**

**Duration**

Varies by program; see Quick Facts above.

**Costs**

Varies by program; see Quick Facts above.

**Financial Aid and Scholarship**

Two 50% tuition fee scholarships are available for the Education in Ireland program from NUIG for eligible applicants. Application details are available on the [course website](#).

**Costs Included**

The program fee includes tuition & instructional fees, CCIS and sponsor fees, CISI health insurance, and housing. Some programs also include airport transfers.

All Field School programs also include materials, equipment, and transport to and from the site.

**Costs Not Included**

Estimated costs include passport, meals (depending on program), airfare, local transport (depending on program), and personal expenses.

*Note: A non-refundable program deposit of $400 is due upon acceptance and is applied toward the total cost of the program.

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

Application Deadline

April 1 (Tentative)

Eligibility Requirements

Interested students should have at least sophomore standing and a GPA of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale or higher, in addition to transcripts and two letters of recommendation.

All Field School applicants must be 17 years of age or older.

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!