Welcome to the Institute of Study Abroad Ireland. We are an Ireland-based institute of education, open all year round, and providing excellent study abroad programs to schools, colleges and universities. We have many partner organisations in the U.S. including AFS, CCID, and many universities, state colleges, community colleges and high schools all over the U.S. Please visit our website or email us for details of our work with schools and colleges.

For twenty-one years, we have been providing American teens with the best possible summer camps in Ireland. We began our work in 1996, and since then, hundreds of very happy teens have had a great experience with us. Each summer, our U.S. teens enjoy a safe, friendly and happy atmosphere, great teaching, travel and experiences all around Ireland’s beautiful Wild Atlantic Way. You can read lots more about us on our website www.isaireland.com

We welcome teenagers, ages 13-17 years who really want to experience travel abroad, and who will enjoy meeting other teenagers from different cultures and backgrounds. We make a very special effort to make sure that each of our teen guests is happy and feels secure and welcome. We keep in contact with parents through the booking process and the programs, and we put up a daily blog each day so parents, family and friends can tune in.

OUR LOCATION
We are located in County Donegal, on the Atlantic Coast (Wild Atlantic Way). This area of Ireland is famous for breath-taking scenery, wonderful history and the friendliest people in Ireland. Although we are based in Donegal, we travel to many other parts of Ireland, including Dublin City and the counties of Sligo, Fermanagh, Leitrim and Derry

The Program Director is Niamh Hamill, Ph.D. (pronounced Neeve) and Niamh is one of the original founders of the Institute of Study Abroad. Niamh is an associate Professor of History at the Caspersen School of Graduate Studies at Drew University, NJ, and is resident director of all our cultural study abroad programs, including college and university study abroad. Our team include teachers, lecturers, tour guides, instructors, and the best possible people to introduce your teen to a safe, happy Ireland. We have many many testimonials from happy parents over our twenty-one years of summer camp, and will be happy to put you in direct contact with these parents by request- email us info@isaireland.com or visit our website www.isaireland.com
APPROVAL AND ACCREDITATION

The Institute of Study Abroad Ireland is a full-time working educational campus, and each year, US Universities, Colleges and Schools send their faculty and students for study abroad programs. As you would expect, every visiting college and school carefully vets all of our accommodation, our teachers, instructors and facilities. In 2016, a new initiative by the Irish Government piloted a summer camp for US students. The Institute of Study Abroad Ireland was selected by the Irish Government to deliver the Global Irish Summer Camp 2015.

The Institute of Study Abroad Ireland are partners with US organisations including AFS, Say Yes to Education, CCID, and many colleges and universities, including Drew University NJ, Northeastern University MA, Florida Southern University, Washington State Consortium of Community Colleges, (to name but a few).

If you would like a full list of all our partner institutions, or a list of parent-references from previous camps, this will be made available to you.

The Campus of Institute of Study Abroad Ireland includes the campus at Donegal Adventure Centre, and Homefield House. Both premises are approved by the Irish Tourist Board, and inspected annually. Students are allocated rooms according to gender, and there is 24-hour supervision. Most of our student rooms are ensuite, and students share; rooms vary from 2-bed rooms to larger 6-bed rooms. Our campus accommodation includes large recreation rooms, kitchens, and lots of outdoor and indoor facilities for games. All outdoor activities are approved by the relevant governing bodies, and all instructor staff are fully qualified in their activities. Every staff member is trained in Child Protection, and are all carefully vetted. Strict accommodation rules apply, including a code of conduct appropriate to a teen summer camp.

The Director of the Institute of Study Abroad Ireland is Dr. Niamh Hamill. Niamh has a PhD in History and Culture, and is also an assistant Professor at the Caspersen School of Graduate Studies at Drew University, NJ. Niamh develops and teaches the history and culture program for visiting high school and college students.

We are the only summer camp to Ireland based in Ireland and administered by Irish staff on a full-time basis.

You can review our past summer camps on a daily basis on our social media sites-

Facebook: Go to the Institute of Study Abroad Ireland Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/studyabroadireland/
and review July/August of any year. You will see a daily view of our summer camp activities.

Instagram: Go to our Instagram page to see our posts studyabroadireland

Twitter: Follow us @isaireland

Photographs: visit our 2016 Summer camp Galleries on Flickr http://bit.ly/2cH3ox2

Our website is www.isaireland.com
Institute of Study Abroad Ireland
Summer Camp USA

Who’s there?
Our English-speaking students from the USA and Canada will be meeting teenagers from Ireland, UK and all around Europe. We also have programs which include English-language learning, for teens from France, Spain, Italy, Germany, and many other countries. Making friends with teens from around the world is one of the highlights of this experiences.

Why we do it—our mission statement
We are Irish, and very proud of our culture, heritage and beautiful country. It is a country that has had many dark days, but it is now peaceful and welcoming. We know that there are millions of people in the USA and Canada who celebrate their Irish descent, and we want to encourage the ancestors of those who left to come back and renew their heritage, experience this unique culture and tap back into their roots. Many of our students are the first family members to return to Ireland since their ancestors were forced to emigrate, and their return here, healthy, educated and curious is the very happy ending to the story of the emigrants. We want to provide a very happy experience here, and encourage those who are Irish, or appreciate Irish Culture to come here when they are young, and make friends here, get to know and understand this lovely little Island. Everybody wins. Many of our alumni have returned here with family and friends, many parents have visited, and we know and remember every one of our families. Many of us have visited our alumni when we have travelled to America. The Institute of Study Abroad Ireland is a large, extended network of friends, and we run our camps with an unmatched passion and enthusiasm for what we do.

We are committed to three things.

1: Delivering a safe and happy experience to our young visitors—ensuring that they enjoy the summer camp, that they feel safe, secure, confident, excited—our primary concern is that everyone goes home happy.

2: We want to engage our students with Ireland and Irish culture in an authentic and integrated way. We are not interested in the promotion of stereotypes, (Irish or American!) and we have no political or religious agenda. We are interested in encouraging the love affair that most people feel when they connect with Ireland. We want to expose our visitors to all aspects of Irish culture so that they can feel at home here, and understand the Irish people and their history and culture.

3: Encouraging a real sense of tolerance and understanding among young people from different backgrounds, counties, states and countries. This will be a life-changing experience.

Niamh Hamill Ph.D. Director
The Institute of Study Abroad Ireland offers two options for summer camps.

**CAMP 1: JULY IRISH CULTURE & ADVENTURE CAMP JULY 1- JULY 22 2017 (3 weeks)**
**CAMP 2: AUGUST IRISH CULTURE & ADVENTURE CAMP JULY 29-AUGUST 11 (2 weeks)**

**Irish History and Culture Camp.**
The Irish Culture and Adventure Camp was established in 1996, for campers aged between 13-17 years from the USA and Canada to experience an authentic and fun trip to Ireland. Ireland Culture & Adventure is the longest running camp, based in Ireland and run by Irish Staff, in a beautiful and friendly location.

This program is an ideal summer camp for students of Irish descent, or students who have an interest in Irish Culture and history. Student who are interested in Irish Culture, History, Current Affairs, Music and Arts can enjoy lectures on these subjects, and field trips to places of cultural interest. Students who want to come to Ireland, but are more interested in sports and activities can choose Camp B, a program packed with surfing, climbing and other adventure activities. All students will enjoy afternoon and evening activities with other students from Ireland, the UK and Europe. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience Irish hospitality in a very friendly and safe environment.

**2017 Dates for Irish History and Culture Camp.**
**CAMP 1: JULY IRISH CULTURE & ADVENTURE CAMP JULY 1- JULY 22 2017 (3 weeks)**
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Many young visitors here want to learn all about Ireland- the history and culture, the stories behind the scenery. Many already know about Ireland from family and friends. Director Niamh Hamill and her team have put together a superb program of informal classes, fun workshops, field trips and travel to many wonderful places, such as the Hill of Tara, Yeats Country, Donegal Castle and Derry City. This program will suit students who have an interest in learning about culture. This program also includes some (relaxed) adventure activities, including surfing, climbing, Gaelic Sports, and hiking. Students will mix with Irish and European students each evening, and enjoy a great international atmosphere.

We recommend this highly for first-time visitors, students who have an Irish family heritage and would like to learn more, and those who are interested in Irish culture.

Looking for a different kind of camp?
Our partner organisation, the Donegal Adventure Centre, runs surf and activity camps, and English Language and activity camps for Euro/UK/Global students. If this is a preferred option, please email us and ask for the information info@isaireland.com or info@donegaladventurecentre.net
# SAMPLE PROGRAM 2017

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<td>Departure Flights- please book direct flights to DUBLIN AIRPORT</td>
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<td>Sunday</td>
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<td>Arrive Dublin Airport. Flight window is from 05:00am - 11.30am for transfers.</td>
<td>Travel to Campus in Donegal</td>
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<td>Check in campus Icebreaker activity</td>
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<td>03-Jul</td>
<td>9.30am: Introduction &amp; Orientation - meet instructors and staff, overview of program.</td>
<td>Orientation of Bundoran Town, Fairy Bridges, Tuilian Strand</td>
<td>12pm-1pm</td>
<td>Beginner Surfing Session</td>
<td>Icebreakers &amp; Team games with all students</td>
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<td>Breakfast 8.30am. 9.30am-11.30 Irish Culture Classes</td>
<td>Speech and Drama with Maura</td>
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<td>1pm Visit to Cavan Burren, Florencecourt</td>
<td>Toraidocht adventure challenge</td>
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<td>1pm Visit to St. Patrick's Well, Ballyshannon &amp; Catsby Cave</td>
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<td>1pm Ballyshannon Workhouse &amp; Port - famine sites</td>
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<td>Free Morning. Church Services available 8.30am</td>
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<td>Funfair Afternoon</td>
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<td>Viking tribal day</td>
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<td>Battle Archery</td>
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<td>Beginner Surf Lesson</td>
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FEES FOR SUMMER CAMPS 2017

Classes on Irish Culture & History + Surf & Activity Camp + full activities evening + night entertainments. Field Trips & Overnight Travel Outings.

JULY 1-22 CAMP 3500 USD
Weekly Rate: 1300 USD per week

July 29- AUGUST 11 2500 USD
Weekly Rate 1400 USD per week

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL OFFER- PAY IN FULL BY DECEMBER 30th
AND RECEIVE A 10 % DISCOUNT ON OUR JULY/AUGUST PROGRAMS!

FEES: Prices are in USD and do not include airfare. Airfares are not included in the fees, because of the many locations from which our students travel, and the many travel options. Many airlines fly into Dublin City from the USA, including American Airways, Aer Lingus, Continental, Delta and USAir. We recommend the Irish Airline, www.aerlingus.com which has excellent fares, and connects with JetBlue to many US cities.

We are happy to help you with your flight arrangements, but we strongly advise that you book a direct flight from the USA/Canada into Dublin. We will let you know if other students are travelling from your area, and always endeavour to have students travel in groups, if possible. We do not recommend connecting through European cities, as you need to be sure that in the event of a flight cancellation or delay, someone can go and meet your child. Please keep this in mind when connecting through US cities, and either accompany your student to a Gateway city (with a direct flight to Dublin) or ensure that there is someone who can travel quickly to the airport in case of emergency. We will be happy to assist you in planning your flight plans, and all students will be met at Dublin Airport immediately on arrival from USA. We can recommend a good flight travel agent for you if you request it.

We will meet every student at the airport. We check all flights, and we know if there are delays or early arrivals. We will contact you several times before departure to check details. On occasion, when there are several flights arriving, we will wait with students at the airport until everyone is in. Our campus is 3.5 hours outside Dublin, so it is not always practical to whisk each student away as they arrive. We know that students arriving after a long flight are tired, and we try to minimize waits as much as possible. It can be a great opportunity for us to have breakfast and get to know our new arrival.

TO ENROL-
EMAIL US FOR 2017 APPLICATION PAPERWORK
RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO US BY EMAIL OR MAIL
PAY DEPOSIT OF 500 USD BY CREDIT CARD OR BANK TRANSFER.

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BUSINESS OFFICE IRELAND (+5 hours EST) 9:30-5:00pm From USA dial 011 353 71 98 41205
A snippet from our parents, 2016….

Hi Niamh—I want to thank you SO much for taking such wonderful care of Charlotte and all of the others in your care! I can’t believe you went all the way back to Dublin to be with them, and then you took Charlotte and Keri to the airport and that ungodly hour in the morning to make sure they made their flight. You went far above and beyond what anyone would expect, and we are so very grateful to you for all that you did for them! Charlotte had the most wonderful time! She loved every minute of her stay in Ireland, and I am so happy that we chose your camp to host her and Keri. She has never been away from home for that long, and it was so wonderful for us not to have to worry about her because she was in such good hands with you.
Karen Thornton, (Charlotte’s mom)

Hi Niamh,
Patrick is thoroughly enjoying himself at the camp. I cannot Thank you enough for your dedication to seeing that the kids get the most out of this fantastic experience. Thanks again for everything you are doing. It is very much appreciated. The kids’ lives will be changed by this experience!!
Thank you! Dennis Bradley (Patrick’s dad)

Niamh, I am so impressed with the program you have put on for these kids. Laura has had such a fantastic experience; I think she wants to stay in Ireland forever! I am happy to sing your praises on this side of the pond! Thank you again for all that you have done for Laura and the other kids. It truly has been the experience of a lifetime.
Heather Ward (Laura’s mom)