2018-19 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This memo covers travel courses held in the Winter, Spring Break, and Summer of the 2018-19 Academic Year. Information is due in the Office of the Provost no later than

- October 1st: Winter 2018-19
- October 1st: Spring Break 2019
- October 30th: Summer 2019

We must be notified using these forms of all planned and proposed travel courses, even those that were approved for a discount last year or in a previous year. Both graduate and undergraduate courses are eligible for discounts if the courses are not part of the students’ comprehensive tuition.

The Provost’s Office should also be informed at least three months in advance of all other Seton Hall-sponsored student trips, including service projects, tours, and competitions, with basic information about attendees, State Department status of destinations, contact information, and the like. Forms for these travel programs will be provided shortly by separate cover.

For courses, faculty provide estimates of program costs to the students and to the college. If program plans are not yet finalized, please provide an estimate of costs. All information except faculty cell phone and faculty emergency contact will be used for advertising on the web.

As in past years, faculty planning a trip should check and report on the State Department Watch List status of the proposed venue or venues. The offering of each course should be explicitly authorized and endorsed by the Dean of the respective College. Ideally, proposals should be sent to the Provost’s Office by the Dean’s Office after the Dean’s review. No travel courses should be advertised to students before this is authorized in writing by the Provost’s Office. However, courses for which these forms have been submitted may participate in the Study Abroad Fair before official approval. Please contact Maria Bouzas at the Office of International Programs to participate in the Study Abroad Fair.

Special notes:

- For Spring Break and Winter courses, departments proposing more than one course should explain their basis for predicting that the population of interested students is large enough to support two courses with healthy enrollment.

- Note that only summer travel courses can include travel during the summer. Courses cannot be listed in Fall or Spring that include travel in the summer, with the exception of courses that
will be completed and graded by May 31st, which may be listed as Spring courses for Spring 2018; future extensions of this option will be dependent on review of travel course enrollments.

- Students on probation level II or higher are not allowed to study abroad. Faculty should incorporate this restriction into any materials or interest meetings they have.

- If faculty are using a company to organize logistics they should submit the approval paperwork after getting a tentative trip itinerary and quote from the company.

- Instructors do not need to seek discounts for every travel course (for example, for Winter and Spring courses for undergraduates for which most students will be covered by comprehensive tuition) but no discount can be applied retroactively to courses already complete for which a discount was not yet approved.

- There will be a mandatory meeting in the Fall semester with all faculty leading trips abroad in September, organized by the Office of International Programs.

We continue to seek more definite information for the students of the total cost of the entire experience, more in advance. As part of this effort we also intend to regularize procedures vis-à-vis whether professor travel costs are covered by a) the professor, b) the college, c) volume discounts arranged through travel agents and/or d) a portion of student travel costs. Please ensure that students are aware of likely costs in advance.

Please fill out the following information for each course, as well as the accompanying spreadsheet. On the spreadsheet, please take special care to include the projected number of students for the course and your basis for that projection. The spreadsheet should also reflect how you propose to be compensated for the trip, particularly whether the course is proposed as part of your assigned teaching load for the semester or if the proposal is to compensate as overload, and the amount. If you are proposing a course that will be funded and sponsored in part or whole by a different college, please seek the approval of both your Dean and the Dean whose budget would be covering the costs, including your compensation if applicable.

Title of Program: Department of English Spring Break Travel to British Isles – Ireland, 2019

Course Number and Title: ENGL 4421/CORE 3383 Irish Literature Past and Present

Cross Listed Course Information if Applicable:

Number of Credits: 3

State Department Watch List Status (and date verified): n/a
Faculty Sponsor Information

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Banner account for collection of funds (note that faculty do not collect or distribute travel funds personally and a University account must be used for all collected funds): No Banner account needed.

Our trips are organized and run by EF College Study Tours, which collects all of the money directly from students via their individual web accounts, without any faculty intervention. Founded in 1965, EF (Education First) College Tours is the “World Leader in International Education” with over 37,000 employees in 55 countries. This will be the fifth year we are traveling with EF and we have been very satisfied with them: EF provides Global Travel Protection medical and travel insurance; an experienced Tour Director who accompanies the tour 24/7 (as well as local tour guides); trips include all accommodations, internal bus travel and all entrance tickets; breakfasts and some dinners. Educational content includes museum and site visits, theatre and music performances, as well lectures by local writers and educators.

Destination City and Country: Dublin, Ireland


Detailed Program Description:

Short Description for Web: Many Seton Hall students reconnect with family roots on this beautiful trip, which includes guided tours of Dublin: Grafton Street, Temple Bar, O’Connell Street, St. Stephen’s Green, Phoenix Park. See the Book of Kells at Trinity College, visit St. Patrick’s Cathedral, the W.B. Yeats exhibit at National Library, and the bog bodies exhibit at the National Museum. Hear live music and poetry readings in Cork, visit Blarney castle and kiss the Blarney Stone; shop at the Blarney Woolen Mills, then take a bus tour of Killarney National Park and see the breath-taking coastal views of Ring of Kerry. Other sites may include the Kerry Bog Village museum, the Kissane Sheep Farm, Daniel O’Connell’s home and museum, the medieval Rock of Cashel. Return to Dublin for historian Lorcan Collins’ Easter 1916 Rebellion Walking Tour, a visit to the Guinness brewery, the Dublin Writers museum, and a live theatre performance. Plans this year may include an additional visit to Galway and the Cliffs of Moher.

Program Costs to Student in Addition to Tuition:

Travel: $3,475 payable by installment to EF College Tours – includes round-trip airfare, accommodations, all internal transportation, museum entrance fees, full-time tour director, all breakfasts and several dinners; comprehensive medical and travel insurance.
Local Travel: included
Lodging: included
Meals: Students are advised to budget £40 per diem for food and shopping
Other (describe): Tipping of guides and bus drivers are required, as follows:
  - Tour Director: 9 days @ $6/day = $54 per participant
  - Bus Driver: 9 days @ $3/day = $27 per participant
  - Local Guides: @ $2/guide = $4-6 per participant
  - Total recommended per traveler = $80
Portion of instructor travel costs: n/a

Relation of Seton Hall programming and existing programming by cooperating entities – please estimate hours in tabular form: n/a

Basis for SHU grade in the course: In addition to the rigorous course requirements for all upper-level and graduate courses in English, which include attendance and participation; research papers from 8-20 pages; informal writing assignments; oral presentations and final exam, this trip will require a self-assessment assignment in the form of a blog or online posting.