**INST 2490—Irish History and Culture Travel Course**

*In Ireland and On-Line*

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**Course Description:** Students in this course will travel to Ireland to study its history, political system, and culture.

**Outcomes and Objectives:**

- General Education Outcome #4: Students will demonstrate knowledge of diverse cultures and historical perspectives.
  - INST 2490 presents information students need to understand the historical development of Ireland from Celtic times to the present.
    - Students will recognize the events and individuals that impacted Irish History.
    - Students will think critically about the influence history has on Ireland's current social, economic, religious, cultural, and political institutions.
    - Students will demonstrate an understanding of how social, political, economic, religious, and cultural forces intertwined to impact Irish relations with Great Britain as well as Irish-North Irish relations.

- General Education Outcome #1: Students will demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills.
  - Students will participate in class discussions and keep a journal documenting their experiences in Ireland.

**Course Policies:**

- **Attendance Policy:** Students have to go on the trip and attend the lectures presented while in Bunoran, County Donegal. They must also go on all education excursions.

- **Student Rights and Responsibilities:** Please refer to the Casper College Student Conduct and Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College Student.

- **Chain of Command:** If you have any problems with this class, you should first contact the instructor to attempt to solve the problem. If you are not satisfied with the solution offered by the instructor, you should then take the matter through the appropriate chain of command starting with the Department Head/Program Director, the Dean, and lastly the Vice President for Academic Affairs.
• **Official Means of Communication:** Casper College faculty and staff will employ the student's assigned Casper College email account as a primary method of communication. Students are responsible to check their account regularly.

• **ADA Accommodations Policy:** If you need academic accommodations because of a disability, please inform me as soon as possible. See me privately after class, or during my office hours. To request academic accommodations, students must first consult with the college’s Disability Services Counselor located in the Gateway Building, Room 344, (307) 268-2557, bheuer@caspercollege.edu. The Disability Services Counselor is responsible for reviewing documentation provided by students requesting accommodations, determining eligibility for accommodations, and helping students request and use appropriate accommodations.

**Assessment:**

Your grade in this class will be earned by going on the trip and participating in events (75%) as well as keeping a journal (25%). I recommend that you bring two journals: one for your personal use, and one to be turned in when the trip ends. I will return your journal. It should contain the following:

- Notes from Dr. Niamh Hammil's daily presentations.
- Your impressions of the cultural/historical sites we visit.
- Your impressions of Irish life.