

Program Calendar Ireland Spring 2012



IFSA-Butler arranges optional transatlantic group flights for most programs. Group flights depend on the availability of commercial flights and the number of students attending each university program.

	Burren College of Art	National University of Ireland, Galway	National University of Ireland, Maynooth	Queen's University Belfast
Group Flight Departs	January 1	January 1	N/A	N/A
Ireland Arrival*	January 2 (Dublin)	January 2 (Dublin)	January 23 (Dublin)	January 23 (Belfast)
Program Starts	January 2	January 2	January 23	January 23
IFSA-Butler Orientation	January 3-4	January 3-4	January 24-25	January 24-25
Residence Begins	January 6	January 4	January 25	January 25
University Orientation	January 9	January 5-7	January 26-27	January 26-29
Classes Begin	January 9	January 9	January 30	January 30
Spring Break	N/A	April 1-12	April 9-13	April 2-20
Exams**	In term	April 13-May 18	May 13-June 1	May 17-June 2
Program Ends	April 21	May 19	June 2	June 3
	Trinity College Dublin	University College Cork	University College Dublin	University of Limerick
Group Flight Departs	January 8	December 31	January 8	N/A
Ireland Arrival*	January 9 (Dublin)	January 1 (Dublin)	January 9 (Dublin)	January 16 (Dublin)
Program Starts	January 9	January 1	January 9	January 16
IFSA-Butler Orientation	January 10-11	January 2	January 10-11	January 17-18
Residence Begins	January 11	January 2	January 11	January 18
University Orientation	January 12-13	January 3	January 12-13	January 19-20
Classes Begin	January 16	January 4	January 16	January 23
Spring Break	April 10-23	March 31-April 29	March 5-18	April 2-9
Exams**	April 30-May 25	April 30-May 25	May 3-12	April 30-May 14
Program Ends	May 26	May 26	May 13	May 15
	University of Ulster	Teacher Education at Stranmillis University College		
Group Flight Departs	N/A	N/A		
Ireland Arrival*	January 23 (Belfast)	January 23 (Belfast)		
Program Starts	January 23	January 23		
IFSA-Butler Orientation	January 24-25	January 24-25		
Residence Begins	January 25	January 25		
University Orientation	January 26-27	January 26-29		
Classes Begin	January 30	January 30		
Spring Break	April 2-13	TBA		
Exams**	May 14-June 1	TBA		
Program Ends	June 2	June 1		

* Students must arrive in their orientation city by 2 p.m. in time to check in and make it to the 6 p.m. welcome dinner. Trinity students must arrive in time to check in to their hotel by noon on January 9; orientation will begin at lunchtime.

** Exams may take place on a Saturday during the exam period.

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These dates are correct as of November 7, 2011, but must be regarded as provisional, given the mutability of Irish university calendars. At some institutions, examinations for study abroad students may be concluded before the official end of the academic year. These universities cannot give us final examination schedules at this time.

Upon arrival at the overseas host institution, students should check the program end dates for changes before confirming return travel plans. End dates vary from department to department, and students must complete all course obligations prior to departure. In addition, students should not make plans to travel on the final day of exams since there may be exams **on** that day.

Program housing is available only until the program end date.

Exams must be taken where and when scheduled. Under no circumstances may students request that an exam time be changed. In Ireland, exams are taken under formal examination conditions, and changes cannot be made for individuals.