

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND IRISH CULTURE

Discover more about Ireland while improving your English language skills in Galway, situated on the Wild Atlantic Way. With this course you can develop your confidence in English while also learning about Irish culture and society.

Course Outline

English Language and Irish Culture will help you to build confidence in reading, writing, and speaking in English while gaining knowledge about a new culture. This course blends content driven lessons with language to develop communication skills with others on the topic of their country's culture and traditions. During this course participants will examine key aspects of life in Ireland through presentations, tasks, research, songs and interaction with local people and the unique culture of this area in the West of Ireland.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Overall objectives of the mobility

- Gain an understanding of Irish Culture, Traditions and Contemporary Life in Ireland.
- Enhance communication skills to interact effectively with English Speakers.
- Explore aspects of the culture that interest you.
- Deepen your knowledge and understanding of this topic and share information on your own culture, with a view to presenting to or teaching others.

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Added value of the mobility

As well as improving your English language ability you will also have the opportunity to learn about Irish culture and compare it to other European contexts. By connecting with participants from all over Europe, you will benefit from sharing experiences and expertise. The mobility offers valuable networking opportunities for future collaboration between individuals and institutions.

Activities to be carried out

- Engaging language classes to develop grammatical knowledge and build vocabulary
- Participation in communicative classes – building fluency with speaking activities
- Task or project-based learning using Irish Cultural topics to develop English language communication skills
- Cultural and Heritage Trips as a chaperoned group

Expected outcomes and impact

This course provides a valuable opportunity to refresh English language skills through the medium of culture-based lessons. Participants will also gain confidence from using their English skills to take part in international group classes. The course also helps to build intercultural awareness by encouraging participants to compare their countries' cultures and traditions with those of Ireland.

Cultural Programme

The courses are delivered at Atlantic Centre of Education in Galway on Ireland's 'Wild Atlantic' Coast, and participants will have ample opportunity to learn about the cultural heritage of both Ireland and the local area. The week-long programme includes a full-day cultural tour to a local area of scenic and heritage value, a guided historical walking tour of Galway city, and afternoon social and cultural activities. Our staff are happy to suggest other tours and events to enjoy during your stay in Galway.

