

## Highlights:

City Tour of Dublin

Abbey Theatre

Ben Bulbin in Sligo

Galway

Aran Islands

Teach Synge Museum

Bloomsday events

(day-by-day itinerary and more details on reverse side)

## Priority application deadline:

February 7, 2013

(inquire about availability after this date; **reserve early to assure availability of space**)

## Estimated Cost:

**\$3,250**

**with scholarship\***

(\*see reverse side for eligibility information and what's included)

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# Summer 2013 in IRELAND Introduction to Creative Writing June 3-17

**ENGL 300/395, 3 credits▲**

Prof. Michael Pearson & Asst. Prof. John McManus



Henry Miller once wrote that “One’s destination is never a place, but a new way of seeing things.” Between June 3 and June 17, 2013, you’ll have a chance to spend two weeks finding your muse amidst the beautiful and evocative Irish landscape and culture. Michael Pearson and John McManus, ODU professors of Creative Writing and authors of numerous books, will be leading a course—“Introduction to Creative Writing Abroad”—in Ireland. The journey, which will begin with two days of exploring Dublin, will be designed for any student who loves to read and seeks creative inspiration.

We’ll read texts by Irish writers and then write creative pieces inspired by both the literature and the places we visit. Ample time will be built in for writing—in cafes, on the Liffey Boardwalk, by the coast of the Irish Sea. We’ll meet at least once daily for discussion and exchange of ideas. We’ll read Yeats’s “Under Ben Bulbin” sitting under that famous hill. We’ll explore the beautiful, windswept Aran Islands off Ireland’s west coast. The trip’s grand finale will come on Bloomsday, June 16, when every year Dubliners celebrate the date in 1904 when the whole of Ulysses takes place. This trip will make students only lifelong writers but also lifelong travelers, lifelong readers, and lifelong literary thinkers.

Students will be required to register for the course that corresponds with this study abroad program- ENGL 300/395 (3 credits), during the 2013 summer semester.

**NOTE:** Students who have taken ENG 300 in the past can still participate in the program and receive credit for ENGL 395.

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## Sample Itinerary\*

Mon June 3: Depart Norfolk for Dublin

Tues June 4: Arrive in Dublin

Wed June 5: Tour of city, dinner, play at Abbey Theater

June 6-9: Seminar discussions during morning; cultural events in afternoon/evening (James Joyce Center, Trinity College, Martello Tower, Abbey Theater, etc)

June 10: Travel to Sligo, see Yeats Society, hike up Ben Bulbin (spend night in Sligo)

June 11: Travel to Galway, see sights, spend night

June 12: Ferry to Aran Islands, visit the Teach Synge Museum, hike, spend night on isle of Inishmore

June 13: Return to Dublin. Workshop sessions in afternoon

June 14 & 15: Seminar discussions during morning; workshop sessions and cultural events in afternoon/evening

June 16: Bloomsday events

June 17: Flight home to Norfolk

## Faculty Leader



Asst. Prof. John McManus



Prof. Michael Pearson

**Cost includes:** Roundtrip airfare from/to Norfolk, airport transfers, transportation to/from Sligo, Galway, Aran Islands, accommodations (double or triple rooms; single supplement extra, if available), six group meals, study abroad fee, international health insurance.

**Not included:** ODU tuition for 3 credits (participants are required to register for credit), meals other than listed above, transport other than indicated above, expenses of a personal nature.



**\*ODU scholarships:** Dean's Education Abroad Awards are available for the first 10 qualified students accepted for this program. *Eligibility:* Full-time ODU student, 2.5 GPA or higher, approval of participation by the Office of Study Abroad and the program's faculty leader. Deadline for scholarship application for this program is February 7, 2013.

**Estimated cost without scholarship: \$3,650.** For some students, regular student financial aid support can be increased due to the additional cost of studying abroad. See the Office of Study Abroad for a program budget and referral to Student Financial Aid staff who assist study abroad students. **Payment Schedule:** \$250 deposit upon application; half of remaining total due on February 15, 2013 and the other half on March 22, 2013.

