

**ADMJ 1496**  
**Comparative Justice Systems: Ireland**  
**Study Abroad – Dublin**  
**SAMPLE SYLLABUS – SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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**Class Meeting Time:** *See Schedule*

**Required Text:**

1. *Comparative & International Criminal Justice Systems: Policing, Judiciary and Corrections*, Edited by Ebbe, O.N. **Available online at University of Pittsburgh Library.**
2. *International Handbook on Juvenile Justice*, Edited by Junger-Tas, J. & Decker, S. **Available online at University of Pittsburgh Library.**

**Course Description:** This course examines the criminal justice system of the Republic of Ireland in comparison to the United States. Police, courts, corrections, and juvenile justice systems are included in the topics of discussion. This course will take place primarily in Dublin, Ireland where students will meet with professionals from each of these specialized areas. Students will participate in tours of historical locations. They will also participate in discussions on the significance of the history and culture to the development of Ireland's criminal justice system.

**Course Objectives:** This course will enhance student ability to identify factors (i.e., economic, cultural, religious) that influence the development of differential laws, policing styles, correctional techniques, and the treatment of juveniles. At the completion of this course students will be able to contrast and compare the justice systems of the United States and Ireland.

**Student Responsibility:** Students are expected to be self-motivated in this course. They should enter this course with an open mind and willingness to grow in their understanding of societal issues pertaining to the development of a justice system. Much responsibility is placed on the student to read assigned material and be prepared for discussion. Students are expected to be prepared for class meetings, tours, and cultural events. Furthermore, students are expected to fully participate in all events, meetings, and discussions.

**Grading Policy:**

**A**= 100-92%, **B**=91-84%, **C**=83-76%, **D**=75-68%, **F**=Below 68%

### **Measurement Formula:**

- 50% Class Participation – participation in class discussions and attendance for events, tours, and guest speakers
- 20% Homework assignments, quizzes, and other activities as assigned
- 30% Reflective paper including a comparison of the justice systems of United States and Ireland

### **Course Schedule/Itinerary:**

#### **Before Departure**

**TBA** –2 hour program orientation with Kristen Asinger

**TBA** – Brief meeting on travel expectations/packing (ITV for other campuses)

#### **Very Tentative Itinerary – Subject to change!**

#### **Wednesday, May 3**

Flight to Dublin, Ireland

#### **Thursday, May 4**

5:20 AM – 8:10 AM – Flights arrive in Dublin, Ireland

Meet in airport (approximately 8:30 AM) after everyone has gone through passport checkpoint and baggage claim

Travel to apartments – drop luggage in storage

10:00 AM (approximately) – Walk to Griffith College for Orientation

TBA - Local CAPA-guided Walking Tour

1:00 PM – Lunch/Arrival Reception

2:00 PM – Check-in at apartment

2:30 PM – Hop on/Hop off bus tour (Red bus City Sightseeing – 48 hour ticket)

5:30 – Free time!

Suggestion: Get to bed early and get a lot of rest. You'll need it!

#### **Friday, May 5**

9:00 AM – Meet in Lobby for walk to Hop on/Hop off bus tour - Kilmainham Gaol (€2), Dublin Castle (€6.50), and Pheonix Park (visitor center café for lunch), Famine Memorial & Museum (€8.50)

5:30 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (1 hour)

Dinner and Free time

### **Saturday, May 6**

Free day – Explore!

### **Sunday, May 7** (Read pg. 11-36 in Comparative & International Criminal Justice)

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

9:30 AM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2.5 hours)

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (3 hours)

Dinner and Free time

### **Monday, May 8** (Policing)

9:30 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

10:00AM – 12PM – Meet with representative of Garda (police) at Griffith College

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (3 hours)

Dinner & Free time!

### **Tuesday, May 9** (Read from pg. 36-41 in Comparative & International Criminal Justice)

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

9:30 AM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2.5 hours)

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2 hours)

Dinner and Free time

Optional: Travel to Bray for hike in Wicklow Mountains (weather permitting)

**Wednesday, May 10** (Read pg. 42-50 in Comparative & International Criminal Justice)

9:30 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

10:00 AM – Meet with Karen Sutton, Acting Head of Law at Griffith College

12:00 PM - Lunch

1:30 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2 hours)

Dinner and Free time

Optional: Evening performance bus tour – The Dublin Ghost Bus Tour (€28)  
<https://www.dublinsightseeing.ie/GhostBus/index.aspx>

**Thursday, May 11** (Visit Criminal Court)

9:30 AM – Meet in lobby for walk/bus to Criminal Court

10:00 AM – Tour of Criminal Court house

12:00 PM – Lunch in Court House café

1:00 PM – Observe Court Room

Dinner and Free time

Suggestion: Get to bed early and get a lot of rest. You'll need it! We're hitting the road early Friday morning.

**Friday, May 12** (Cobh & Spike Island)

7:00 AM – Meet in lobby for day trip to Cobh & Spike Island (leave from Staycity)

10:30 AM – Arrive in Cobh

10:30 AM – Join John Flynn for tour including underground prison cells

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Spike Island

4:00 PM – Depart for Dublin

7:00 PM – Arrive at Staycity

Dinner and Free time

### **Saturday, May 13**

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

9:30 AM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (3 hours)

Rest of day is free time.

Suggestion: take a tour of someplace outside of Dublin. There are a lot of day tours from the city.

### **Sunday, May 14** (Read pg. 50-53 in Comparative & International Criminal Justice)

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

9:30 AM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2.5 hours)

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (3 hours)

Dinner and Free time

### **Monday, May 15** (Visit Arbour Hill Prison)

9:30 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Arbour Hill Prison

10:00 AM - Visit Arbour Hill Prison

12:30 PM – Lunch

1:30 PM - Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2 hours)

Dinner and Free time

Optional: Evening historical performance bus tour of 1916 Revolution (€25)  
<https://www.dublinsightseeing.ie/1916/index.aspx>

**Tuesday, May 16** (Probation)

9:30 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Probation Service

10:00 AM - Meet with Ciera O'Connor, Probation and Welfare Service

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2 hours)

3:30 PM – Meet with guest speaker about terrorism in Northern Ireland

Dinner and Free time

**Wednesday, May 17** (Belfast)

7:00 AM – Meet in lobby for day trip to Northern Ireland (bus with driver)

9:30 AM – Arrive in Belfast and meet with guide

10:00 AM – Crumlin Road Gaol tour (£9.00)

12:00 PM – Lunch at Crumlin Road Gaol

2:00 PM – Titanic Museum (£14.50)

5:00 PM – Depart for Dublin

7:00 PM – Arrive at apartments

Dinner and Free time

**Thursday, May 18** (Read chapter 5 in the International Handbook on Juvenile Justice)

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for walk to Griffith College

9:30 AM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2.5 hours)

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (3 hours)

Dinner and Free time

**Friday, May 19** (Oberstown Youth Facility)

9:00 AM – Meet in lobby for bus to Oberstown Youth Facility

10:00AM – 1:00PM – Meet with Tony O’Donovan and tour Oberstown Facility

1:00 PM – Lunch

2:00 – Lecture/Group Discussion with Dr. Brougham (2 hours)

TBA - Departure Ceremony with CAPA hosts

## **Saturday, May 20**

TBA – Return Flights to USA

*The course schedule is tentative and subject to change.*

**Paper policy:** In an effort to save the planet or at least as many trees as possible, items that can be placed on CourseWeb or sent via email will not be printed. Students are expected to do the same.

**Attendance and Participation:** Attendance is required for this course. Participation is important for the learning process. You are expected to participate in discussions and activities. Your participation is beneficial to both you and your classmates. It is through open discussions that we are often exposed to new ways of thinking, which can lead to greater insight and understanding.

**Professional Conduct:** Students are to conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times. Viewpoints may clash on various topics. Always be considerate and speak respectfully. Students should dress appropriately and be prepared to participate. Turn off and stow any personal electronic devices upon entering the learning environment.

**Late Assignment Policy:** Assignments must be turned in on time for full consideration of a grade.

**Academic Integrity:** *Cheating/plagiarism will not be tolerated. Students suspected of violating the University of Pittsburgh Policy on Academic Integrity, noted below, will be required to participate in the outlined procedural process as initiated by the instructor. A minimum sanction of a zero score for the quiz, exam or paper will be imposed. (For the full Academic Integrity policy, go to [www.provost.pitt.edu/info/ai1.html](http://www.provost.pitt.edu/info/ai1.html).)*

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