

IRISH STUDIES (MINOR)

The Irish Studies minor is an interdisciplinary academic program focused on Ireland and its place in the world. Our courses offer students the opportunity to study the unique experience of Ireland and the Irish to enhance their understanding of the role of culture in human society.

The study of Ireland is compelling for many reasons, including its rich history, culture, music and literature. In addition, the Irish experience illustrates processes it shares with other cultures that can shed light on many global issues today. These include:

1. colonialism and post colonialism
2. the search for national identity
3. emigration and diaspora
4. integration into the European Union and an increasingly globalized world
5. the impact of intercommunal political conflict and violence
6. the evolution of women's roles in society
7. the changing place of Catholicism in Ireland

Ireland has long had a close relationship with the United States, and it is impossible to study modern Ireland without discussing American influences. At the same time, Irish immigration into the United States has influenced the development of American society. The study of Ireland, a small, now modern country at the western edge of Europe, leads to a wide exploration of international issues and historical developments.

Course Requirements

Students can complete the 6 course Irish Studies Minor by completing one of the following two tracks:

1. For students who complete courses at DePaul University Chicago campus (i.e. do not participate in the Dublin Internship):
 - IRE 100
 - 5 additional approved elective courses in Irish Studies. Courses must be taken from at least three separate departments/programs and should represent a range of topics/issues.
2. For students who participate in DePaul's Parliamentary Internship in Dublin:

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences offers a study abroad program in Dublin, Ireland, twice each year. It provides an excellent opportunity for students to get to know Ireland at first hand. It is not a required part of the minor in Irish Studies. Students taking part in the Study Abroad Program in Dublin may, however, gain credit for four courses that count towards completion of the minor. Thus, for students who successfully complete the Dublin Internship, the requirements for the IRE minor are as follows:

- IRE 100
- 1 additional approved elective courses in Irish Studies

For further information on the Dublin Parliamentary Internship courses please contact the Director of the Irish Studies Program.

Irish Studies Courses

General Irish Studies

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
IRE 100	IRELAND AND THE IRISH EXPERIENCE	

History

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
IRE 101	IRELAND, 1450 - 1800, CONQUEST, COLONIZATION & REBELLION	
or CTH 288	IRELAND, 1450-1800, CONQUEST, COLONIZATION & REBELLION	
or HST 266	IRELAND, 1450 - 1800, CONQUEST, COLONIZATION & REBELLION	
IRE 102	HISTORY OF IRELAND FROM 1800 TO THE PRESENT	
or CTH 289	IRELAND, 1800 - 2000	
or HST 268	IRELAND, 1800-PRESENT	
HST 323	THE CULTURES OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY	

Literature

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ENG 339	TOPICS IN RESTORATION AND 18TH CENTURY BRITISH LITERATURE (Jonathan Swift) ¹	
ENG 346	19TH-CENTURY IRISH LITERATURE	
ENG 354	THE IRISH REVIVAL	
ENG 355	MODERN IRISH LITERATURE	
ENG 357	TOPICS IN IRISH STUDIES (Irish Drama) ¹	
ENG 382	MAJOR AUTHORS (James Joyce) ¹	

¹ Courses only count for the Irish Studies minor when focused on a pertinent topic (as in the examples in parentheses in the list of courses above). When a student registers for such a course it will not automatically place as an Irish Studies course in the Degree Progress Report (DPR). The student needs to email the Director of Irish Studies with their name, ID number, and the course(s) at issue to ask for a DPR update.

Nature and Culture

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
IRE 103	IRELAND: RELIGION AND THE CONTEMPORARY "TROUBLES"	
or REL 274	IRELAND: RELIGION AND THE CONTEMPORARY "TROUBLES"	
or CTH 274	IRELAND: RELIGION AND THE CONTEMPORARY "TROUBLES"	
IRE 105	GEOPOLITICS	
or GEO 201	GEOPOLITICS	
IRE 107	RELIGIOUS GEOGRAPHY ¹	
or GEO 204	RELIGIOUS GEOGRAPHY	
GEO 316	THE EUROPEAN UNION	
WGS 249	GENDER AND POLITICS IN IRELAND	

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Study Abroad

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ENG 398	LITERARY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE	
HST 398	STUDY TOUR	
INT 382 or PSC 392	INTERNSHIP RESIDENCY INTERNSHIP	
PSC 395	TRAVEL/STUDY	

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Independent Study

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
IRE 379	INDEPENDENT STUDY	