

SUMMER

STUDY ABROAD in IRELAND

PROGRAM





Carlow College, St. Patrick's

The summer study abroad program is a four-week program at Carlow College, St. Patrick's, Carlow, Ireland. The program dates for Summer 2026 are May 26, 2026 - June 23, 2026.

Carlow, Ireland, affectionately known as Carlow-town, is the quintessential Irish country town. With a population of 25,000, Carlow is home to two colleges including Carlow College, known to locals as St. Patrick's College. Learn more about Carlow College at www.CarlowCollege.ie and about Carlow-town at www.CarlowTourism.com. Dublin is about an hour away and is easily accessible by both train and bus.

Academics

Students in this program will enroll in the Irish Experience course and the Irish Literature course earning 6 semester credits. Both courses include cultural excursions and a forum for inquiry into exploring Ireland. The Irish Experience course provides students with an introduction to the history, culture and people of Ireland. The Irish Literature course will introduce students to the great literary tradition of Ireland by exploring contemporary Irish Literature.

Summer Program Requirements

Applicants for the Summer 2026 Program at Carlow College must:

- be 18 years of age or older as of the program start date;
- have completed at least twelve credit hours at their home institution by the time they commence their studies at Carlow College;
- have obtained a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 out of a 4.0 at their home institution:
- have obtained a grade of B or higher in a written composition course completed at a college or university;
- be a learner in good standing at their home institution;
- provide proof of health insurance; and
- be in possession of a valid passport.







Passport and Visa Requirments

Students will need to have a current passport before departure. Applicants should allow at least eight weeks for standard passport processing in the U.S. An application form and passport information can be obtained at your local post office or at **travel.state.gov**. Passports must be valid for six months after the program ends. A visa is not necessary for the summer program for U.S. citizens.

Housing

The cost of housing is included in the program fee. Housing is provided at Lennon House, a residence hall on the College campus. Residing at Lennon House is a requirement of the program. Each student will have a private bedroom and will share living space, kitchen, and bathroom with two or three other students. WiFi is available in the residence hall and is included in the fee. Laundry facilities are located on the premises. Bed and bath linens are provided.

Meals

Meals are not included in the program fee, but there are fully functioning kitchens available for student use. Students are expected to cook or provide meals for themselves. Additionally, a nice selection of grocery stores and eating establishments are located within walking distance of the College. Many students enjoy group dinners in the common area in Lennon House.









Cultural Excursions

Cultural excursions are the foundation of The Irish Experience Program. The summer program includes several unique trips such as:

Carlow & Wexford

- New Ross(Dunbrody Famine Ship)
- St Mullins
- Mount Leinster
- Brownshill Dolmen

Northern Ireland

- Crumlin Road Gaol
- Political Murals Tour
- The Giant's Causeway
- Belfast City
- Carrick a Rede Rope Bridge

Wild Atlantic Way

- Cliffs of Moher
- The Burren
- Caherconnell Stone Fort and
- Sheep demonstrations

Kilkenny City

- Kilkenny Castle
- St Canice's Cathedral & Round Tower
- Medieval Mile Tour

Wicklow & Kildare

- Moone High Cross
- Glendalough Heritage Centre







Fees & Payment

The cost to participate in the program for Summer 2026 is €3,100. A non-refundable booking deposit of €500, taken off the total program cost, is due with the completed application form by March 1, 2026. The balance of the fee is due April 12, 2026. In the unlikely event that the program is cancelled, a full refund is provided (including the booking fee). Please note that applications received after the final deadline will not be considered.



Fees and payments can be made through the Carlow College website:

www.CarlowCollege.ie/make-a-payment/

Program Fees (included/not included)

The following are included in the program fee:

- program tuition;
- •accommodation (including bed & bath linen & WiFi);
- •four day-long cultural excursions (includes admission to all excursion sites, private bus and guides);
- one overnight excursion (includes admission to all excursion sites, accommodation, private bus and guides);
- •on-site program direction; and •airport collection/drop-off.

- The following are not included in the program fee:
- •round-trip airfare from the United States;
- · meals;
- passport fee;
- visa fees from non-US citizens (if applicable);
- personal travel & expenses;
- •books/classroom material; and health insurance.



"I did things I never thought I would have done. I became a part of a whole new culture and a family. I wouldn't trade anything in the world for this experience"

Morgan Shannon, Study Abroad Alumna.

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