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They should forward the address of their home institution for processing of completed credits. For further information contact Ms Zita O’Sullivan, Summer School Co-ordinator, International Office, University College Cork.

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The History lectures explore major themes and events in Ireland’s past, from the remarkably creative culture of early times, to the quest for political independence in modern times, and the profound demographic and cultural changes of today’s Ireland.

We start with the art and literature of early Ireland when identity was forged. That identity inspired artists and writers, and led to a cultural ethos bringing about the political changes of Ireland’s recent past. Now, Irish identity is again being reshaped by growing cultural and social pluralism. The lectures and seminars lead you to an understanding of these historical forces shaping contemporary Ireland.

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**Summer School Scholarships**

A number of Scholarships to attend the 2020 Summer School in Irish Studies at UCC are available to EU citizens who are in full-time study. The Scholarship is valued at €750 and is awarded on the basis of merit. Applicants should write a letter of application demonstrating their research interests in Irish Studies, and how the Scholarship will benefit their research and/or career in the field of Irish Studies. Applicants should also arrange for an academic referee to send a letter of support directly to Ms Zita O’Sullivan, Summer School Co-ordinator. All documentation must be received by the Summer School Fee Deadlines: by Friday, 1 May 2020.

**Credits**

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**Teaching**

The Summer School draws on the expertise of Faculty members, established scholars in their field, to deliver lectures. Lectures are followed by discussion-based teaching in seminars of small groups where Teaching Assistants develop the themes of the lectures. These Assistants also give students guidance and encouragement with their work.

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