

MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY MAY 2012 IRELAND STUDY PROGRAM

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Would you like to live in a small coastal village in the west of Ireland for three weeks this May? Do you want to learn more about Irish cultural history in a travel-study immersion experience?

If so, consider Kim and Leon Raikes—both humanities professors at MMA—your academic mentors and enthusiastic guides. The Raikes have taken MMA to students to Ireland for travel and study in 2009, 2010, and 2011, and they are leading a group again in 2012. You are invited.

The small travel group will live in thatched cottages near coastal villages and a national park. The heritage of the sea is everywhere, and participants will travel by ferry to Inishbofin Island for a two-day hiking tour exploring prehistoric and early monastic sites. Other group travels will include visits to Dublin (and Trinity College's Book of Kells), the Cliffs of Moher, and Bunratty castle for a medieval banquet.

Classes in Irish history, literature, and Celtic influences will be held in one of the thatched cottages two days each week. There is a library of over 2,000 volumes related to Irish studies.

Free days will also allow for personal travel and exploration.

If you are interested, please contact Kim or Leon Raikes by email:
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