Summer in Ireland: Excursions and Travel

A walking tour of Dublin on the first weekend and an all-day trip at the end of the first week of classes to the Irish Sea coast and Glendalough are included in the program, free-of-charge for registered students. Glendalough is the site of an ancient monastery set among the lakes and mountains of the Wicklow National Park. The program will also sponsor field trips to Irish legal and political institutions, such as the Four Courts, the Criminal Courts of Justice, and/or the Oireachtas (the Irish Parliament). In addition, prominent lawyers and judges are invited to speak to students on field trips or in connection with particular courses, in which case all students in the program are typically invited to attend even if they are not enrolled in the sponsoring course. Also included in the program’s tuition is an evening dinner during the last weeks of the program with Irish barristers and solicitors.

The mid-program break is an ideal time to plan a trip with fellow students to the west coast of Ireland or up to Northern Ireland. Many rail and bus tours offer an easy way to explore Ireland on your own or with your friends, and the director and student coordinator can provide information and ideas for possible destinations. For those who wish to travel to Britain or the continent over the three-day break, inexpensive air fares are available on some of Europe’s budget airlines, with sufficient advance purchase.