



# Study Abroad

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## **Southeastern Conference Global Leadership Program for Study and Service-Learning Project in Northern Ireland**

**Belfast, Northern Ireland**  
*Queen's University Belfast*

The Southeastern Conference Global Leadership Program provides students with the opportunity to enjoy the laid-back, yet politically and economically intriguing culture of Northern Ireland. The university is located one mile from the city center of Belfast, Northern Ireland, which is surrounded by Victorian and Edwardian architecture. Students will attend Queen's University Belfast. Students are able to be active members of the internationally recognized university as well as the local community by studying in and serving the community of Belfast. Only USC undergraduate students are eligible to participate in this program.

As a prerequisite, students must be of sophomore or junior status prior to attending Queen's University Belfast. Students must also return to USC for the following academic semester after completion of the program. A minimum of 3.0 GPA is required.

### **Southeastern Conference Global Leadership Scholarship: Belfast, Northern Ireland**

The Southeastern Conference will award one student from each SEC school the prestigious grant of \$8,500 for a study abroad and service-learning program at Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland for the spring academic semester. This competitive scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates a sincere desire for international service-learning and potential for meaningful leadership. Upon returning to the University of South Carolina, the student will be required to complete a follow-up project to share his or her experience studying and serving in Northern Ireland.

### **Service-Learning Project**

The student who receives the SEC Global Leadership Scholarship will be required to participate in a service-learning project throughout the duration of stay in Belfast. After each SEC institution selects a student representative to receive the SEC Global Leadership Scholarship, the service project will be finalized for the participants. It is important for each student to be flexible in regards to service opportunities available in Northern Ireland.

### **Courses and Credits**

Students typically take three courses and earn 15 U.S. credit hours throughout the duration of the semester. Listed below are a few examples of subjects offered.

## **Subject Offerings**

Anthropology  
Art History  
History  
Languages/Studies  
Management  
Mathematics  
Political Science  
Theatre

## **Program Fee**

The Queen's University Belfast study and service program is arranged by IFSA-Butler University. The program fee is paid to IFSA-Butler University and is approximately \$16,275.\* The fee includes: tuition, housing, support services, airport pickup, weekend excursions, and emergency assistance. After the SEC Global Leadership Scholarship is deducted, the student will be responsible for payment of approximately \$7,775 as well as any additional expenses (airfare, food and personal expenses) incurred. \*Price may increase for spring 2010

## **Living Arrangements**

Students will have the opportunity to live in a single or double bedroom at the main university housing complex.

## **Program Dates**

The SEC Global Leadership scholarship recipient will study and participate in the service-learning program from late January until early June.

## **Footnotes**

More information about the IFSA-Butler University: Belfast, Ireland program can be found at the following website:

[http://www.ifsabutler.org/programs/northern\\_ireland/queens/](http://www.ifsabutler.org/programs/northern_ireland/queens/)

For more information on tourism in Northern Ireland, visit the Northern Ireland Tourism Board website at: <http://www.nitb.com/>

## **Deadline for Scholarship and Application Information**

### **April 1, 2009**

- SEC Global Leadership Scholarship materials due to USC Study Abroad Office
  - SEC Global Leadership Program Application: Belfast, Northern Ireland
  - Application Essays
  - Recommendation Letter #1
  - Recommendation Letter #2
  - Unofficial USC Transcript
  - Study Abroad Academic Plan
  - Study Abroad Financial Plan
  - Copy of Student ID Card
  - Copy of VIP Financial Awards for 2009-2010 academic year