This program will provide Social Work students an overview of human/social services offered in Ireland. Students will learn about the country, its culture, human rights issues and conflicts, and the provision of human services in urban and rural settings.
**PROGRAM FACTS**

**Course Information:** This study abroad course will account for four field instruction days for most field instruction courses offered in the program, at either BSW or MSW levels or will replace Module II of SWK 518, Child Welfare Services. Independent Study will be also considered for undergraduate and graduate credit. **Travel dates:** March 6 - March 16, 2014; **Estimated Cost:** $3,600 (Includes airfare, accommodation, health insurance, breakfasts, two dinners, ground transportation in Ireland, admissions fees). It **doesn’t include tuition and fees,** $50 application fee, passport fees ($140), most meals, personal expenses (estimated $400), airport transfer from/to Nacogdoches; **$600 Study Abroad Scholarships available** (Main Requirements: enrolled at SFA at least one semester during the twelve-month period prior to the commencement of the study abroad program, minimum 2.5 overall GPA for undergraduate students, minimum 3.3 overall GPA for graduate students; for other requirements, please check the Application Guidelines available at our website).

Program brochure, application and forms are available at the OIP website [www.sfasu.edu/oip/](http://www.sfasu.edu/oip/)

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1- Contact the Faculty Director for more specific information on course content.

2- See your advisor. Take the information on the course content to your advisor and inform him/her of your wish to study abroad and discuss how this course fits into your academic program.

3- Please read the Study Abroad Application Guidelines available on our website.

4- Submit the following forms/documents to the Office of International Programs (OIP), Liberal Arts North, Room 402:

- Program Application
- Receipt of Application Fee Payment ($50)
- Study Abroad Essay
- Faculty Recommendation
- Unofficial copy of your transcript showing required GPA.

5- **Application Deadline.** Students applying and paying the non-refundable $500 deposit by this deadline will be eligible for a **$600 Study Abroad Scholarship.** The Scholarship will apply towards the program cost. **Note:** Students can apply after this deadline but scholarships are not guaranteed.

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**Disclaimer:** Stephen F. Austin State University reserves the right to adjust the program cost due to fluctuations in the exchange rate of the dollar and/or to low program enrollment (The program costs is based on a minimum number of 10 students).

6- Attend Mandatory Overview Meeting in January. Date, time and location will be send by email.

7- **Non-US citizen** should review visa requirements for the intended destination.

8- Review what vaccinations are needed, if any, to visit the intended destination. For CDC (**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**) recommendations: [http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list.aspx](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list.aspx)

9- Register for class during usual registration period.

10- Attend the Pre-Departure Orientation in February.

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