

# CELTIC CONNECTIONS

## In The College of Global Studies, Arcadia University

*Global Perspective...Personal Attention...Real-World Integrative Learning Experiences*

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## Degree/Concentrations

### **Celtic Connections Certificate**

### **Related Fields of Study at Arcadia**

International Studies, Sociology

## About the Certificate in Celtic Connections

- Specialized study abroad in Ireland, England, Scotland or Wales
- Two options: (1) two semesters, or one semester and a summer: (2) one semester
- Interdisciplinary studies in the humanities, social sciences and sciences
- Concentrations ranging from area studies to language and political science
- 18-20 credit certificate from Arcadia University

The Celtic Connections Certificate program is offered through The College of Global Studies. Drawing on the extensive course offerings and resources of the College's overseas programs in Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales, the program is designed for students who want to focus part of their undergraduate experience on Celtic Studies. Students participate in one or two Arcadia study abroad programs.

This undergraduate academic certificate program is designed for students studying in regions with a Celtic heritage to learn of the Irish, Scottish, and Welsh sense of identity, to understand their current connections to each other, to the United Kingdom, to the larger

European Union, and to the globalized world generally.

The Celtic Connections Certificate program fulfills Arcadia's mission "to prepare students for life in a rapidly changing global society."

**Program Structure:** Students in the Celtic Connections Certificate program have the opportunity to engage in a wide range of learning experiences, including courses, research, and co- and extra-curricular activities. The program is interdisciplinary, and students can create a certificate based on their specific field of interest, for example: current politics and/or history of Scotland, Wales or Ireland, social sciences for these same regions, European integration and the regions, post-colonial studies, literature in English from these regions, literature in translation from the Celtic languages, study of a Celtic language (modern or medieval), archaeology, folklore, or music of England, Scotland, Wales or Ireland .

There are two program options:

1. Students choose from a list of selected programs and study in two different programs (two semesters, or a semester and a summer) of The College of Global Studies, in Ireland, England, Scotland or Wales. Students are required to complete a minimum of 18-20 semester hour credits, including the capstone research project.
2. Students study at The College's programs in Ireland, England, Scotland or Wales for one semester. Students are required to complete a minimum of 18-20 semester hour credits, including the capstone research project. A total of 4 semester hours credit of coursework in Celtic Studies may be transferred into the Certificate from the student's home institution.

**Study Abroad locations:** Students are encouraged to participate in programs at one or two of the following Arcadia centers— one of which must be in Ireland, England, Scotland, or Wales

## CELTIC CONNECTIONS at Arcadia University

### Republic of Ireland

- [University College Cork](#)
- [National University of Ireland, Galway](#)
- [University of Limerick](#)
- [National University of Ireland, Maynooth](#)
- [Trinity College, Dublin](#)
- [University College Dublin](#)
- [Contemporary Irish Studies, Dublin Summer](#)
- [Dublin Parliamentary Internship Program](#)

### Northern Ireland

- [Queen's University, Belfast](#)
- [University of Ulster](#)

### England

- [University of York](#)
- [Durham University](#)

### Scotland

- [University of Aberdeen](#)
- [University of Edinburgh](#)
- [University of Glasgow](#)
- [University of St Andrews](#)
- [Stirling University](#)
- [Scottish Parliamentary Program](#)

### Wales

- [Bangor University](#)
- [Swansea University](#)
- [Welsh Assembly Internship](#)

**Admissions Requirements:** Any student who qualifies to study on a program through The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University is eligible to apply for the certificate program in Celtic Connections. Application for the certificate is made to The College of Global Studies.

The Celtic Connections Undergraduate Certificate is intended primarily for non-Arcadia University students from universities and colleges in the United States who participate in programs through The College of Global Studies. Arcadia University undergraduate students who participate in The College of

Global Studies programs are eligible to receive the Celtic Connections certificate, but they also might pursue the Arcadia University Minor in International Studies.

**Academic Advising:** In consultation with the Program Managers, Center Director and Academic Dean of The College of Global Studies, students begin to design their academic program during the application process for study abroad on The College of Global Studies programs. They complete the process in-country with an academic adviser from each of the two institutions where they study.

**Transcript:** Students receive an Arcadia University transcript for study on The College of Global Studies' programs. Credit from the program may be applied independently or transferred to the student's home institution according to the policy and procedures of that institution.

## Requirements for the Celtic Connections Certificate

Students earn an Arcadia University Celtic Connections Certificate by completing the following requirements:

- Study through The College of Global Studies' programs in Ireland, England, Scotland or Wales—either one to two semesters or a semester and summer program, one of which must be taken in Ireland, England, Scotland or Wales.
- Coursework of least 18-20 semester hours of credit in interdisciplinary Celtic Studies in Humanities, Social Sciences and Sciences. Credit must be earned on an Arcadia study abroad program.
- A cumulative 2.0 GPA or higher in courses and academic experiences.
- A capstone research project (a 5,000-6,000 word paper or presentation of equivalent work) on Celtic Studies, for 4 semester hours of credit. The research project is supervised by a faculty member from The College of Global Studies program and by the Academic Dean.