Frequently Asked Questions

How much does the trip cost and what does it include?
The trip will cost $1,650 per student. This includes:
- Airfare from New York’s JFK to London’s Heathrow
- Airfare from London to Dublin
- Airfare from Dublin to New York’s JFK
- All transfers from airports to hotels
- Seven nights double occupancy accommodations
- Transportation between Danbury and JFK
- Full day escorted trip to Stonehenge and the City of Bath
- 24 hour hop on/hop off bus tour of Dublin
- Accident and Medical Emergency Insurance

You may purchase trip insurance for an additional cost. This is optional.

Will other sightseeing opportunities be added?
Yes. Because of the nature of fluctuating airfares and foreign currency our final expense for the trip will not be known until everything is paid for. In the past we have added additional sites.

How do I pay for the trip?
You may pay by cash, check, credit card (MasterCard, VISA or Discover) or ConnectCash at the Campus Center Administrative Office in room 300.

When is my payment due?
The Campus Center Office must receive a deposit of $900 no later than Friday, October 5, 2012. The final payment of $750 is due to the office by Friday, November 16, 2012.

Is Academic Credit Available?
Yes. You need to make arrangements with a faculty member to register for an independent study during the spring semester. This trip is ideal for credit in English, history, art, music and theater.

Where we staying and what are the accommodations?
We are staying at a tourist quality hotel. All rooms are doubles (2 twin beds) with private baths. Singles rooms are an additional cost subject to availability. You must ask for a single when you make the first payment.

How do we get to the airport?
Transportation will be provided between WCSU to JFK.

Will meals be included?
Continental breakfast is included in London. No other meals are included. If the budget permits we will have a group dinner in London and/or Dublin.

* Dates subject to change by + or – one day
What time will we leave Danbury and when will we return?
We will leave the Campus Center early afternoon on January 3, 2013*. That will give us time to get to JFK and check-in. Our return flight on January 11, 2013* is scheduled to land at JFK that afternoon. We need to plan about one hour to get everyone through Immigration and Customs. The bus should return to Danbury that evening. The return time is, of course, subject to change. Specific flight information will be available when the final payment is due.

Is the deposit or other payments refundable?
No. The deposit is your guarantee that you will participate in the trip. If you find that you cannot participate, and the Campus & Student Centers Board is able to fill the slot and the time frame to make changes has not elapsed, your deposit will be refunded less a 20% processing fee and less any fees the Campus & Student Centers Board is accessed. If the trip is cancelled for any reason by the University all payments will be refunded.

What are we doing once we are there?
This trip includes a full day guided tour of Stonehenge and Bath. Other trips may be added based on final costs. The rest of the trip is not escorted. That means you are on your own the rest of the time. Tourist information will be provided. Participants might want to purchase a London guide to acquaint themselves with all that London has to offer.

Can we travel to other places?
You are free to visit places outside of London at your own expense. You will be required to notify the trip coordinator of your plans if you leave metropolitan London.

Do I need a passport?
Yes. It might take up to two months to secure your passport after you apply. Do It NOW.

How much money should I bring?
That depends on you. The trip does not include any meals, admission to attractions, personal needs, etc. except as noted above.

What is the exchange rate?
Please note that the average current exchange rate for cash transactions at the time of this FAQ printing (8/26/12) is $1.00 = £ 0.63 or $1.58 = £1.00 and $1.00 - €0.80 or €1.00 = $1.25. Note that the rate fluctuates and will differ where and when you do your exchange. It is up to you if you want to exchange dollars for pounds/euros in the US or in London/Dublin.

Can I use my credit card?
You may use your credit card to pay for the trip. Most places in London and Dublin will accept major credit cards such as American Express, VISA and MasterCard. The exchange rate is usually better using a credit card. Cash machines (ATMs) are available. Check with your bank to verify it is part of an international network and associated fees.

What if I get sick in London?
Accident and medical emergency insurance is covered. You may be responsible for out of pocket expenses. You must check with your individual health insurance provider to verify coverage.

For further information please contact the Campus & Student Centers Office