

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING, SCOTLAND

PROSPECTUS 2011



UNIVERSITY OF
STIRLING

Home away from home

National Wallace Monument

9-Hole Golf Centre

Rugby Pitches

University of Stirling Innovation Park

Airthrey Castle

Library, Shops, Bank, Students' Association, Catering, Cinema and Theatre

Cottrell Building (Teaching and Student Support Facilities)

Stirling Management Centre

Medical Centre

Your Apartment-style Accommodation (Fraser of Allander House)

sportscotland Institute of Sport

Airthrey Loch

Sports Centre and Pool

Kayaking Dock

Swimming Pool

City of Stirling

'Scottish University of the Year (2009/10)',
(The Sunday Times)

Best University in the UK for a 'good place to be'
(International Student Barometer, 2008)

Pathfoot Building (Teaching Facilities and International Summer School Office)

Main Entrance

Stirling City Centre

5 minutes by bus or car,
15 minutes by bicycle.
40 minutes to the nearest international airport

WELCOME TO STIRLING

The University of Stirling is delighted to welcome international students from around the world to take part in the International Summer School during the summer of 2011. The University is a wonderful place – beautiful and vibrant, relaxed and engaging. It has one of the finest campuses in Europe and an excellent reputation for teaching and research.



This International Summer School (ISS) prospectus will give you an introduction to the University, the surrounding area and all aspects of the Summer School itself. We hope it answers many of your questions about the ISS and convinces you to spend your summer 2011 in Scotland! For the latest information, visit: www.stir.ac.uk/iss

FIRST-RATE TEACHING AND RESEARCH

The University of Stirling employs teaching staff who are consistently amongst the best in their fields and are dedicated to the success of their students. We were voted *The Sunday Times* Scottish University of the Year for 2009/10 and rank in the UK's top ten universities for student satisfaction (*National Student Survey 2010*).

CITY OF STIRLING – THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Stirling is a friendly city which is historical yet modern, international but with a strong community feel. Located a short drive from the stunning Scottish Highlands, yet less than an hour from Edinburgh and Glasgow, Stirling really does offer you the very best of Scotland.

UNSURPASSED BEAUTY

The University campus is located in 310 acres of stunning countryside. From the shores of the loch to an 18th-century castle, from the Ochil Hills to the towering Wallace Monument, the University of Stirling is a feast for the eyes.

HOUSING IN FIRST-RATE RESIDENCES

All International Summer School students will be housed in on-campus, apartment-style accommodation, Fraser of Allander House. Each student will have their own bedroom with up to four other students per apartment. Most of the on-campus accommodation overlooks the University's loch and is only a short walk from all teaching buildings, library facilities, shops, theatre, cinema and social areas.

EXCELLENT CAMPUS FACILITIES

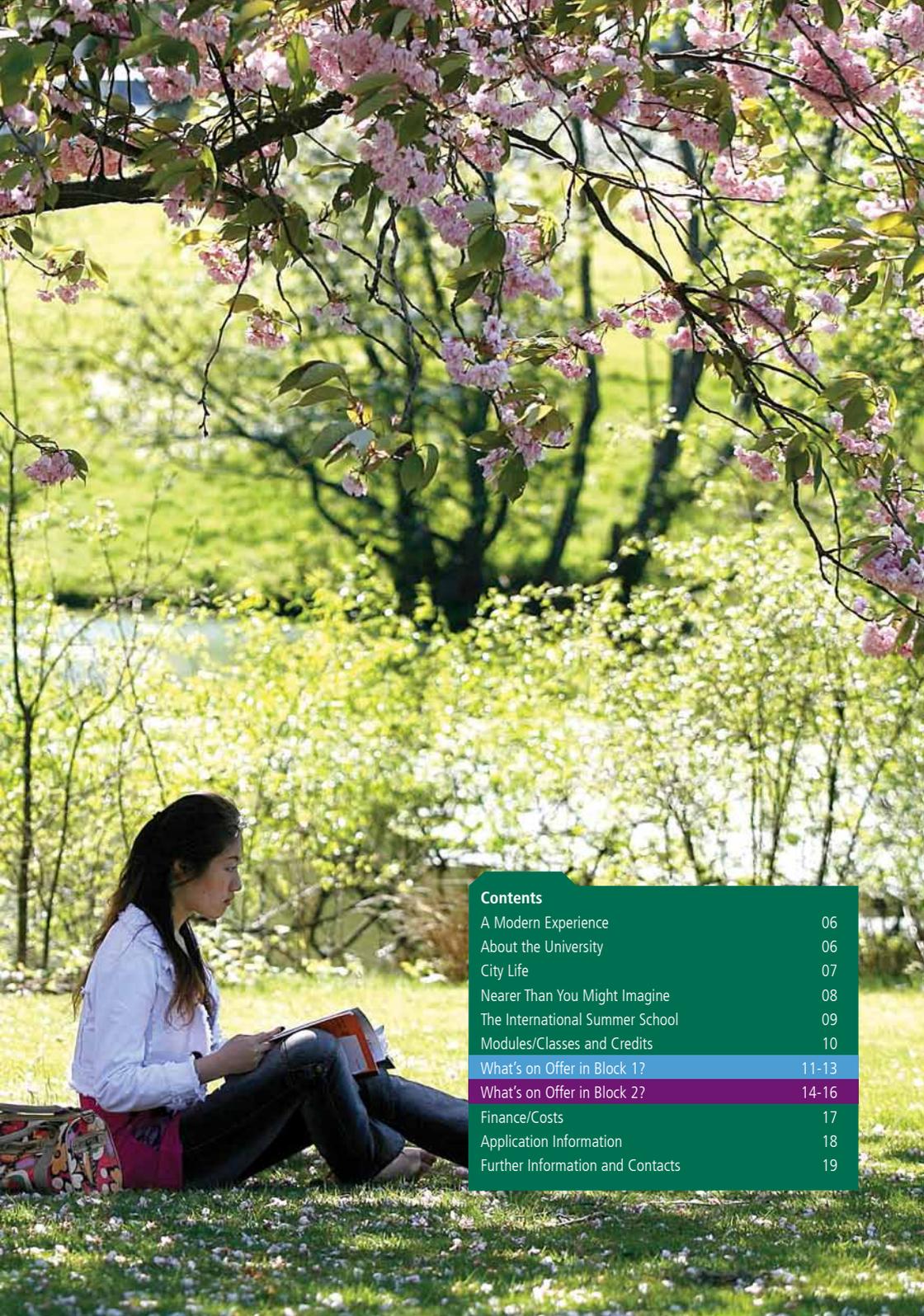
The University has a brand new library spanning four floors, well-equipped classrooms, 24/7 computer labs, is fully networked, and ample study areas.

GREAT FOR SPORT

ISS students have access to some of the finest sports facilities in the UK, with an on-campus golf course and training academy, state-of-the-art fitness centre, a 50m swimming pool (the National Swimming Academy), the National Tennis Centre, sports fields and a new soccer academy. All are available to ISS students.

"If you're going to take classes, why not do so in a place with rolling mountains, pastoral countryside, nightclubs and pubs on cobblestone streets, and a fairy-tale castle on a hill? If you walk across the high hills near the University and look out over the Forth Valley, you'll understand why Scottish people are so friendly. It's hard to be unpleasant in such a beautiful place."

CHRIS, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, TENNESSEE, USA



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A MODERN EXPERIENCE

If you want an excellent education, superb facilities, a warm and friendly campus atmosphere, fabulous scenery and close proximity to some of the UK's liveliest cities, look no further than the University of Stirling.



ACADEMIC

- Newly refurbished 24-hour computing labs
- State-of-the-art lecture theatres and seminar rooms for interactive teaching
- Brand new, four-floor library with individual, networked study desks

SOCIAL

- MacRobert theatre, cinema and café bar
- A shopping area with bank, travel agency, bookstore, pharmacy and minimart
- Multiple pubs located within short walk of campus
- A variety of cafés and restaurants

SPORTING

- 50m indoor Olympic standard swimming pool
- Indoor and outdoor tennis courts
- Golf Centre including long and short game practice areas and a nine-hole golf course
- Newly refurbished fitness and conditioning centres
- 400m athletics track
- Numerous cross-country running trails



ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

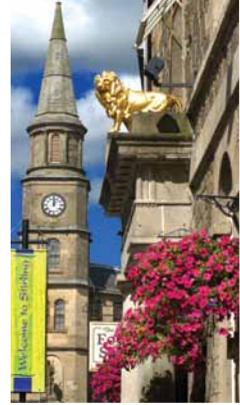
The University of Stirling is located in the heart of Scotland, nestling at the foot of the Highlands and just two miles from the historic city of Stirling.

Founded in 1967, the University of Stirling is consistently rated highly for both teaching and research. The most recent UK-wide Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), in 2008, confirmed that Stirling is the leading Scottish research university in a number of areas, including Film & Media, Sport, Education, and Nursing & Midwifery. It is common practice for undergraduate as well as graduate students at Scottish institutions to be taught by professors who are also leading research experts in their field.

Stirling's main campus is breathtaking. Beneath the Ochil Hills, the campus has a beautiful loch and the 18th-century Airthrey Castle at its heart. It is also very easy to get around, with all the facilities (housing, teaching buildings, social and sporting centres) no more than a ten-minute walk apart, ensuring that everything you need is close at hand – day or night. Stirling is also recognised as one of the safest campuses in the UK.

CITY LIFE

Stirling is one of the most attractive places to live and study in the UK, offering a vibrant mix of the historic and modern.



The city of Stirling is located in the heart of central Scotland, just two miles (or 5 minutes by bus) from the University campus. It has strong historic links with two of Scotland's most famous historic figures – William Wallace and Robert the Bruce, and boasts the National Wallace Monument and Stirling Castle, an impressive medieval castle, both of which tower over the city. The city was for many years the historical residence of Scottish kings and queens, and has also played host to the Scottish Parliament.

Stirling has a population of around 40,000 and offers a great mix of small city and rural lifestyle. It is large enough to be able to offer the full city experience of shopping, entertainment, café culture, restaurants, performing arts and nightlife, but still compact enough to retain a warm community feel. In fact most students find Stirling is a home away from home that's as easy to get around as it is to settle in. Stirling is also a major tourist destination which attracts visitors from all over the world to view the historic castle, monument, Stirling Bridge and other famous churches and sights.



SCOTLAND ON YOUR DOORSTEP

For those keen to explore further afield, big city life is not far away. Travel less than an hour by train or coach and you will reach two of Europe's most vibrant cities, Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland, is home to the new Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh Castle and two of the world's largest cultural festivals held in August each year – the Edinburgh International Festival and the Edinburgh Fringe.

An hour west of Edinburgh is the city of Glasgow, the largest city in Scotland and home to some of the most beautiful architecture in Europe. With a vibrant mix of museums and shops, and a lively music and arts scene, Glasgow is a great option for a day or night out.

If you are looking to escape from city life, tranquillity and natural beauty can be found on Stirling's doorstep. Scotland's unspoiled mountains, lochs and shores or a wide range of outdoor pursuits, such as hiking, white water rafting, mountain biking and sailing await you just 20 minutes from campus. The nearby Trossachs National Park, gateway to the Scottish Highlands, is home to some of the most stunning scenery in Scotland and accessible by regular public transportation.

"Scotland is a beautiful country. There was no better way to complete summer courses and get credit for college."

KERI, BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
NEW JERSEY, USA

NEARER THAN YOU MIGHT IMAGINE

Despite what you may think, Scotland is really easy to get to, with several major cities in the US, Canada and in other countries offering direct flights to both Glasgow and Edinburgh, or via one of the European hubs such as Amsterdam, Frankfurt, London or Paris. You might be surprised to learn that Scotland is only five-and-a-half hours by air from the US Northeast and less than 12 hours from the US West Coast.

Once in Scotland, travelling around is straightforward. Coaches, buses and trains travel north, south, east and west from Stirling, with many UK destinations, including London (by daily direct train), reached easily from Stirling. Bus and coach fares throughout Scotland are very reasonable, with prices to Edinburgh and Glasgow from as little as a few pounds!

Should you want to travel during your summer in Scotland, Stirling is less than an hour from Edinburgh and Glasgow international airports, both of which have extensive connections throughout the UK, direct to Europe and worldwide, and are reachable by regular public transport.

The recent growth in the number of budget airlines has ensured that it is now affordable to reach many UK and European destinations, with prices direct to Europe as cheap as £40 return.

“Travelling is definitely easy with Stirling as a home base. The train provides easy access to most places I’ve wanted to go, or close enough that a local bus can get me the rest of the way.”

REBECCA, LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE, OREGON, USA



THE INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

The University of Stirling International Summer School (ISS) is open to students from around the world. The broad programme presents a unique opportunity to sample student life at the University, whilst gaining credits towards your degree programme at your home institution. The ISS is run by a full-time co-ordinator within the University's International Office.



The programme fee includes course module instruction, a single room in on-campus shared apartments (including high speed internet access), a comprehensive orientation and social programme, compulsory and optional field trips, National Health Service emergency healthcare, sports centre membership, and airport pick-up and drop-off on designated days.

CLASSES/MODULES

The ISS is structured in two four-week blocks which can be taken independently or consecutively and will include modules/classes in a variety of subjects. The ISS programme is not simply a means of gaining academic credit, however. The programme has been designed to incorporate a range of social and cultural activities enabling you to get to know other students in the ISS, plus other international students at the University, as well as giving you the opportunity to travel and experience everything Scotland has to offer.

EXPERIENTIAL EXCURSIONS

A key feature of the Stirling ISS is the out-of-class study which will be an integral part of each module. The content will vary depending on the subject studied but excursions include visits to the Scottish Parliament, Europe's largest on-shore wind farm, football stadiums such as Ibrox, the site of the Battle of Killiecrankie, readings at the Tolbooth arts centre in Stirling, and the National Wallace Monument. These excursions are also open to those not signed up for the module (subject to space) and all are included in the programme fee.

ORIENTATION

Upon arrival you will be picked up from the designated airports and brought to your on-campus housing. Your time at Stirling will begin with a welcome reception with your fellow students, overlooking the University's picturesque loch. A full orientation programme will be offered to new students at the start of each block which includes a campus tour, bus tour of Stirling and surrounding area, as well as inductions to the University facilities.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Social activities and social trips are an important part of the programme. Day trips to St Andrews, Glasgow and Edinburgh are included in your course fee. There may also be the opportunity to visit other Scottish treasures such as Loch Ness, the Highlands and the Isle of Skye, as well activities such as 'land yachting' on West Sands in St Andrews, all at discounted rates. Each block will end with an evening including a 'ceilidh', which will allow you to learn (or practise) Scottish country dancing and enjoy the music of a local ceilidh group.

HOUSING

You will be housed alongside other ISS students in shared apartments on campus. Fraser of Allander House's rooms are all furnished single study bedrooms with up to five individuals sharing kitchen and bathroom facilities. The teaching buildings and social centre (housing the cafés, eateries and bars) are only five minutes' walk away. Your apartment's kitchen is fully equipped so you can choose to self-cater with friends or easily eat out on campus. Internet access is available free of charge in your room, 24 hours a day in the nearby computing labs or via Wi-fi hotspots around the campus.

MODULES/CLASSES AND CREDITS

The modules/classes are offered over two four-week blocks. You can earn up to 44 Stirling credits (12 US or 20 ECTS credits) over the eight weeks of the ISS.

The programme dates have been designed to fit in with teaching times in both the UK and overseas and also to enable you to take advantage of social events such as the world famous Edinburgh Festival which begins in early August.

Each module is assessed by a combination of exam, essay, presentation and fieldwork. A full University of Stirling official transcript of your studies will be provided at the end of the programme, along with a suggested grade conversion scale for your home institution.

BLOCK 1: 11 JUNE – 09 JULY 2011 **BLOCK 2: 09 JULY – 06 AUGUST 2011**

Each Stirling module earns 11 Stirling credits, which is equal to:

- 3 US credits, enabling you to take six US credits (during a four-week block) or 9 to 12 US credits (during an eight-week block), or
- 5 ECTS credits, enabling you to take 10 ECTS (during a four-week block) or 15 to 20 ECTS credits (during an eight-week block).

Specific transfer arrangements will depend on your home university's policy on transferring credits from a UK university.

This gives you the flexibility to decide the length of programme and number of credits you wish to gain depending on your individual and home university requirements.

Each module is made up of taught and excursion components, giving you the opportunity to enjoy University teaching both in and out of the classroom.

The University plans to offer modules in English Language and Study Skills for the first time in 2011. These would be offered during Block 1 and would be specifically aimed at students whose first language is not English and who do not quite meet the English language requirements for entering the ISS directly. You would be very much part of the ISS and would be living with other ISS students and be able to fully participate in all the social events and field trips. At

the time of going to print the details have yet to be finalised, but more information will soon be available online at www.stir.ac.uk/iss.

BLOCK 1: 11 JUNE – 09 JULY 2011

- Brief Encounters: An Introduction to Writing Short Stories
- Crime and Justice in Scotland: The Criminal in Scottish Society
- Green Politics: Theory & Practice
- Issues in Moral Philosophy
- Marketing and Branding Scotland
- Photographing the Urban
- Psychology of Evil
- Scottish History: The Covenanters
- Scotland on the Screen
- English Language and Study Skills*

BLOCK 2: 09 JULY – 06 AUGUST 2011

- Classics of World Cinema
- Changing Worlds: An Introduction to Modern Poetry
- International Relations
- Monsters and Vampires: The Impact of British Gothic on Contemporary Popular Culture
- Nursing and Health Care in Scotland
- Scottish History: The Jacobites
- Sports Management & Culture: A European Perspective
- Witchcraft in Early Modern Scotland
- European Marketing: An Introduction
- Internship for International Summer School

For the latest information about the 2011 ISS modules, visit: www.stir.ac.uk/iss/modules

*Subject to confirmation; for non-native English speakers only



WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 1? (11 JUNE - 09 JULY)

All modules equivalent to 3 US credits or 5 ECTS credits.

ISS9BE: BRIEF ENCOUNTERS: AN INTRODUCTION TO WRITING SHORT STORIES

This module has been designed to help students realise their creative potential by producing original and stimulating short fiction. Teaching will consist of specialist workshops conducted by an expert in the field. In addition to engaging with practical aspects of craft and technique, students will learn how to create believable, compelling characters and how to make them live (and die!) on the page. They will also have the opportunity to visit sites of historic importance and natural beauty to inspire their writing.

Excursion(s):

The course will culminate in a live 'reading' at a leading local arts centre when students will have the chance to share the stage with a prominent Scottish writer.

ISS9CJ: CRIME AND JUSTICE IN SCOTLAND: THE CRIMINAL IN SCOTTISH SOCIETY

This module is designed to introduce students to the subject of criminology through the lens of the Scottish Criminal Justice System. The module begins with an overview of the Scottish Criminal Justice System before examining the major avenues by which the

public obtain information about crime – as victims of crime and from the media and official statistics. The module examines the processes that have developed our definitions of crime and the broader social and political context within which this crime occurs.

Excursion(s):

This module includes a visit to HM Prison Glenochil, an adult male prison near Stirling.

ISS9GP: GREEN POLITICS: THEORY & PRACTICE

This introductory module aims to provide students with an understanding of environmental issues and the characteristic features in environmental problem solving; illustrate the multitude of concepts, ideologies, actors and political settings involved in environmental politics; make you aware of the shared as well as setting-specific dilemmas in environmental politics and policy; evaluate the link between environmental policy intentions and reality. Key areas this module will focus on include political parties, EU/ US environmental relations, green consumerism and environmental protest campaigns.

Excursion(s):

This module includes a day visit to Whitelee wind farm in Glasgow, Europe's largest on-shore wind farm.

"The International Summer School at the University of Stirling not only allowed me to study a variety of subject areas, but also to experience Scottish culture. The three days of classes balanced with four days to explore the United Kingdom and Europe makes summer studies an opportunity of a lifetime. I formed lifelong friends and made lifelong memories!"

JEN, SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE, VERMONT, USA



WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 1? (CONT.)

ISS9MP: ISSUES IN MORAL PHILOSOPHY

Many of our moral beliefs are acquired and held quite unthinkingly; they are products of our upbringing and socialization, rather than of our own reflection on the right and the good. But sometimes we are forced, by the circumstances that we face, to think critically about our moral beliefs, and to reflect on what we ought to believe: we might have to ask, for instance, whether it is really right to use animals for food; or whether our state was justified in embarking on a particular war; or what kind of care we ought to take of the natural environment. Even if such questions are not forced upon us by circumstances, we should engage in some kind of critical reflection on our moral beliefs: if we are to be responsible and rational beings, we must think for ourselves about moral matters (as about other matters), rather than simply being led by conventional opinions or ruling orthodoxies.

In this module we will engage in critical, philosophical reflection on morality, by examining a number of difficult moral issues, including questions about abortion, our treatment of animals, environmental values, punishment and world hunger. This module will introduce you to some of the central issues in moral philosophy – both normative issues about how we should live, and more theoretical issues about right and wrong.

Excursion(s):

We will tour sites in Edinburgh pertinent to the Scottish Enlightenment period. Of particular interest is the Scottish philosopher David Hume, whose moral standpoint is one of those considered in this course.

ISS9RC: RELIGION & CONFLICT

Everywhere we look today, from our television screens to the streets of our cities, we see conflict in the name of religion. Some is at the verbal level, some at the military level, some at a catastrophic level. Why does it appear that religion and conflict seem to go hand in hand? This course will explore the nature of this supposed relationship, first by looking at what actually constitutes 'conflict' (is it the same as 'violence', for example?), second, by looking at whether such conflict is actually inherent in what we perceive as 'religion' today, and third, by looking at the role the media plays in defining these terms and their relationship for us. Finally, this module broadens

its perspective to focus on what global lessons can be learned from Europe.

The course aims to give a more critical perspective on what we see happening around us in the name of religion, and to understand why some religions struggle more than others with the nature of conflict.

Excursion(s):

Students will visit the St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art, in Glasgow.

ISS9BS: MARKETING AND BRANDING SCOTLAND

This module introduces the importance of culture in marketing operations with specific reference to Scotland. Framed within a review of Scotland's economic and cultural history from both a Scottish and global perspective, it examines the relevance of national identity and country-of-origin effect (also known as nation branding) in the creation of brand value. Contemporary case studies within food and drink production and the cultural industries will be used to illustrate core course concepts. Special attention will be given to the internationalization process of small and medium-sized enterprises, citing Scottish examples. A multi-disciplinary approach makes this course accessible and interesting to students with a limited marketing background but also useful and informative to business and marketing students who wish to develop their knowledge in this niche area.

Excursion(s):

The instructor will lead an excursion to either a Scottish beverage maker/food producer or Scotland's national tourism agency.

ISS9PU: PHOTOGRAPHING THE URBAN

This module explores the representation of the City and the Urban landscape through research and the medium of photography. It will draw inspiration from Scottish architecture, with the metropolitan cities of Stirling and Glasgow being the focus for study, site visits and documentation by participants.

Underpinning the module is an acquisition of skills in practical digital photography (you will need to bring your own camera) alongside sessions that will expose you to different genres of photography.

WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 1? (CONT.)

The module also examines the influence of photography in relation to social culture and conservation. Throughout the course, students will be creating photographic work, in addition to producing a short written assignment about photo histories.

Students will gain skills in:

- cultural journalism;
- principles of photo documentation;
- location photography; and
- image editing

Excursion(s):

This module will include an excursion to relevant historic monuments and sights in the city of Glasgow that complements the photographic histories explored in the module.

ISS9EV: PSYCHOLOGY OF EVIL

This introductory psychology module examines the psychology of evil from a variety of perspectives. We will explore such questions as: Is evil constructed? Can understanding the complexity of hate foster greater awareness of inter-group relations? Is evil a matter of individual difference? Can psychology identify patterns in the nature of evil? Can understanding these patterns help us to develop more harmonious relations, and if so how?

The Battle of Bannockburn (1314) will be taken as a starting point for this module. We will explore how 'evil' was embodied in the battle, which saw the Scottish battle the English near Stirling and involved William Wallace ('Braveheart') and Robert the Bruce. Can understanding evil be applied to our world in 2011? Psychological theories will be presented and tested against specific real-world examples from various geographical and historical contexts.

Excursion(s):

We will visit the National Wallace Monument and Stirling Auld Brig, located near the site of the Battle of Stirling Bridge (1297), using the battle as a case study for examining theories around evil.

ISS9TC: SCOTTISH HISTORY: THE COVENANTERS

In a recent poll by the BBC, the Covenanters were voted, by experts and viewers alike, among the top ten most important Scottish history topics. Why exactly did the Covenanters choose to defy Charles I? Why did the movement resurface in the Restoration era? Themes explored in this module include: royalism and the problem of the absentee monarchy after 1603; relations between kirk (church) and country; the interaction between the three kingdoms and the numerous factions involved – Scottish covenanters, English parliamentarians, Irish confederates, royalists; and the importance of documents and oaths, including the National Covenant, the Solemn League and Covenant.

Excursion(s):

This module will visit St Giles Cathedral and the Covenanters' Prison at Greyfriars Kirk in Edinburgh.

ISS9SS: SCOTLAND ON THE SCREEN

This module explores images of Scotland in film and television in the context of historically recurrent Scottish cultural themes, with sideways references to literature and Scottish history, and an introductory approach to the topic of representation.

The themes of the module are:

- Scotland in Hollywood: Brigadoon to Braveheart (Scotland on the American screen).
- The Dark Side: Crime and the Supernatural – from Burke and Hare to Rebus.
- The Politics of Representation: contemporary Scotland in cinema and television.

Excursion(s):

Screenings and visits to celebrated screen locations in Central Scotland.

"The ISS program is well organized and sets you up for a fun and culturally exciting summer."

ALEX, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, SOUTH CAROLINA, USA

WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 2? (09 JULY - 06 AUGUST)

All modules equivalent to 3 US credits or 5 ECTS credits.

ISS9CC: CLASSICS OF WORLD CINEMA

In Classics of World Cinema, we will study groundbreaking movies of the 20th and 21st centuries from across the globe. Students will gain insight into the artistic, cultural, historical and industrial conditions in which these films were produced, and will get a sense of what they mean today. What can these movies tell us – as documents, aesthetic objects, and forms of artistic expression? How can we 'read' the classics of World Cinema as text and signs of the times and place in which they were made?

Excursion(s):

This module will include a guided excursion to the Edinburgh Filmhouse where a noted international film will be viewed and discussed.

ISS9CW: CHANGING WORLDS: AN INTRODUCTION TO MODERN POETRY

This module explores the rich variety of poetry from Britain, Ireland and America over the last one hundred years. As well as engaging with different forms and styles of poetry, students will probe the historical contexts that influence literary production, and discover how poets from both sides of the Atlantic have responded to the major political, cultural, and artistic movements of a fascinating and turbulent century. This module will appeal to both students studying English and students with a more general interest in poetry and English studies.

Excursion(s):

The course will culminate with a live reading by a contemporary Scottish poet at an arts venue in Stirling.

ISS9IR: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

This module explores contemporary issues and debates that shape world politics today. It starts by introducing International Relations (IR) theory before turning to two broad themes that dominate IR: conflict and peace. We will apply these themes to a case study of the Northern Ireland conflict exploring the key political developments and the transition to a post conflict settlement. This module will also include a workshop that examines the use of wall murals to articulate conflict/post-conflict identity.

Excursion(s):

This module includes a day trip visit to Belfast where we will undertake a historical/political tour of the city taking in the wall murals and other key sites linked with the Northern Ireland conflict. Students taking this module may incur a small additional charge for the trip to Belfast.

ISS9MV: MONSTERS AND VAMPIRES: THE IMPACT OF BRITISH GOTHIC ON CONTEMPORARY POPULAR CULTURE

Focusing on key texts from the nineteenth century, this course aims to explore the ways in which gothic tropes established during this period recur throughout contemporary popular culture. We will discuss the representation of monsters and vampires as they appear in the British nineteenth-century gothic texts *Frankenstein*, *Wuthering Heights* and *Dracula* and their influence on popular narratives such as those found in fiction, film, tv and music video. Assessment will be through presentation and essay.

Excursion(s):

The course will also include a day trip through to Edinburgh where we will explore the historic old town to learn about the dark past of this beautiful city. Our trip will include a visit to the reputedly haunted city vaults and Surgeon's Hall museum.

"The University of Stirling is not just a place of study, it is a place for fun, friends and finding yourself."

RICHARD WILSON, ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE,
SOUTH AFRICA

WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 2? (CONT.)

ISS9NH: NURSING AND HEALTH CARE IN SCOTLAND

This programme will allow students to study contemporary nursing practice in Scotland. The student will explore the different fields of practice within which nurses in Scotland provide care; discuss the nature of health care in Scotland; experience delivery of health care in the Scottish National Health Service; and contrast Scottish nursing practice and philosophies with those of their country of origin.

Excursion(s):

The module will include a short practical experience in a Scottish health care establishment, including patient interaction supervised by nursing mentors and will allow students an insight into how nursing students in Scotland acquire practical experience. Students will also go on a field trip to a clinical skills simulation laboratory either on the Stirling campus or in our Inverness campus set in the heart of the Highlands.

ISS9TJ: SCOTTISH HISTORY: THE JACOBITES

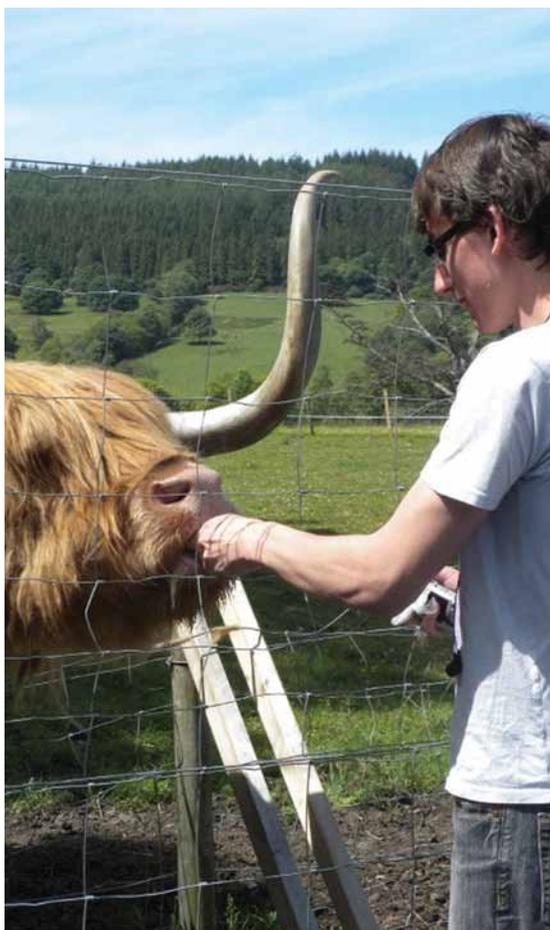
The focus of enduring romanticism and myth, the Jacobites remain an intriguing subject. Themes for this module include royalism, covering the Stewart monarchy in general and James VII in particular; multiple monarchy, looking at relations between Scotland, England and Ireland; Highlands and Lowlands; the wider European context of Jacobitism; early modern warfare; and spying and espionage. You will be given the opportunity to make use of the University's own collection of Jacobite material, the Amulree Collection, and to use images and manuscripts which offer an intriguing insight into the world of the Jacobites.

"I came to do The Jacobites module and I wasn't disappointed. The course was excellent and the tutor was awesome!"

KELLY, UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO, ONTARIO, CANADA

Excursion(s):

This module will include a field trip to Killiecrankie, a key site during the first Jacobite rebellion of 1689 in support of King James VII, and to nearby Sherrifmuir, the site of the famous battle of 1715.



WHAT'S ON OFFER IN BLOCK 2?

ISS9SM: SPORTS MANAGEMENT & CULTURE: A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE

That Scotland can lay claim to being the home of modern day golf and football (soccer) makes it an ideal place to learn about the integration of culture, management and sport. The aim of this module is to teach you about how sport is managed in Scotland and in Europe, and about how it is incorporated into the thread of Scottish culture. The module will include a mixture of lectures and seminars, accompanied by academic field trips to Scottish sports clubs and organisations, providing students with an understanding that sport is influenced by cultural traditions, social values and economic factors.

Excursion(s):

This module will include field visits to a number of professional Scottish sporting venues, which in the past has included visits to the St Andrews Links Trust and Murrayfield, home to Scottish rugby.

ISS9WS: WITCHCRAFT IN EARLY MODERN SCOTLAND

Between 1563 and 1736, during years of political and religious turmoil, around 4,000 people were accused of witchcraft in Scotland. This module will examine this significant aspect of Scottish history, looking at the phenomenon of witchcraft belief as part of early-modern culture, as well as its prosecution. Other themes that will be covered include: religion, popular culture, law and order, illness and death, community tensions and gender issues. We will also consider the continuity and development of ideas about magic and witchcraft.

Excursion(s):

This module will visit the village of Dunning, Maggie Wall's monument near Dunning, Robert Kirk's burial site and the Fairy Tree at Aberfoyle, all sites related to early modern witchcraft in Scotland.

ISS9EU: EUROPEAN MARKETING: AN INTRODUCTION

Doing business around the globe is a challenge for many individuals and the organisations for which they work. Marketing activity is at the heart of the success of many businesses and this module is designed to put that particular business skill in a European context,

using Britain as the gateway to European marketing operations. All marketing is affected by the context in which it operates, be it, for example, cultural, government policy or the legal framework to protect consumers. The first part of the module deals with this area. Next, marketing as a concept is explained and, even if you are familiar with it, you will have the opportunity to understand it in a new way. The final part presents stories of marketing success and failures drawn from contemporary European examples and how they fit within wider global perspectives.

Excursion(s):

We will visit a local company with European business interests to examine their marketing activities in the UK and across Europe. The visit will focus on their specific marketing behaviour and consider their corporate social responsibility vision. There will also be an opportunity to visit tourist attractions which feature Scotland's industrial and commercial heritage.

ISS9IN: INTERNSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

This exciting new opportunity, run in partnership with the Career Development Centre here at the University of Stirling, will give students opportunities to carry out four-week internships in a number of sectors in the Stirling area. These sectors may include sports, environmental science, politics, charity/non-profit and marketing, though this list is subject to change. Through this internship, students will develop an understanding of the UK labour market and the specific sector of their internship; develop their team working skills; and develop their written and oral communication skills. Students can expect to spend approximately 140 hours in their internship placement and an additional 10 hours on associated classroom sessions, review days, writing reflective journals, and on-line tutorials run by the Career Development Centre. Assessment will take the form of a presentation given about your internship, completion of your journals, and submission of a project report.

Important note: students taking this module must enrol full time in ISS block 1 (and take two modules). Students may also be required to obtain an appropriate UK visa, such as a Tier 4 visa. Please also note the earlier application deadline. For more details see the ISS Application Pack.

FINANCE/ COSTS

ISS has been designed to minimise the costs you will be required to pay upon arrival in Scotland – the fee charged is an all-inclusive cost covering virtually all your expenses. The cost varies depending upon whether you are planning to study for one block (four weeks) or two blocks (eight weeks) and how many credits you wish to take.

The costs are detailed below and include:

- Tuition fees
- On-campus housing in single study bedrooms with high-speed internet connection
- Comprehensive orientation programme, both pre-arrival and onsite
- All field trips and excursions (with the exception of a small charge for ISS9IR)
- Social activities – welcome and goodbye events, trips and a Scottish ceilidh
- Sports Centre membership
- Designated airport pick-up/drop-off
- National Health Service free medical/emergency treatment
- Optional sporting opportunities will be offered to all students, including kayaking, canoeing and cycling.

The only additional costs you will have once at Stirling will be for your food, an occasional textbook and other incidental costs you may also incur.

PROGRAMME COSTS

BLOCK 1 OR BLOCK 2 2 MODULES	£2,450
BLOCK 1 & BLOCK 2 3 MODULES	£4,250
BLOCK 1 & BLOCK 2 2 MODULES AND INTERNSHIP MODULE	£4,250
BLOCK 1 & BLOCK 2 4 MODULES	£4,800

Cancellation Policy:

- A cancellation fee of £250 per block applied for will be charged for any withdrawals from the programme received after Friday, 2 May 2011.
- Cancellations received after Friday, 27 May 2011 will be liable to pay the full programme fee.

Please note that if you are applying via one of our providers/agencies that the programme fee will vary accordingly.



APPLICATION INFORMATION



REQUIREMENTS

To participate in the University of Stirling's International Summer School you must have a minimum 3.0 GPA or equivalent academic record. You should submit all of the following application materials by **15 April 2011**:

- A completed Application Form, which can be found at: www.stir.ac.uk/iss/application
- An official transcript from your home university
- One academic reference or recommendation from someone who has taught you at university or college, or a reference provided by your exchange or study abroad co-ordinator
- If you are a non-native English speaker see additional requirements at www.stir.ac.uk/international/entrance

When your completed application materials are received, we will review your file and if you meet the summer school requirements, send you an offer letter for admission with a listing of your pre-approved modules and an Acceptance Form. We will then ask you to return the Acceptance Form in order to secure your modules and accommodation. Modules will be filled on a first come, first served basis so make sure you apply early.

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SARA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN—URBANA, ILLINOIS, USA



BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Final details about orientation and other useful information will be sent to you in our Introductory and Welcome Packs. These will be emailed to you beginning in April.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND ADVICE

Additional information and advice on the UK and Scottish education systems and visa procedures can be obtained by visiting the British Council's website in your country:

www.britishcouncil.org

You may also wish to visit the UK visas website for additional information and advice:

www.ukvisas.gov.uk

The University works with a number of education providers/agencies who are happy to assist with your application should you wish this. Contact details are provided on the next page.

Members of the International Summer School team at the University of Stirling are also happy to assist you throughout the application process (iss@stir.ac.uk).

FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS



For more information about the International Summer School at the University of Stirling:

OVERSEAS VISITS

Each year International Office staff regularly visit North America, Europe and much of Asia. If we are in your area we would love to meet you – just look out for us at your study abroad fairs!

ALUMNI

With 300+ students studying abroad at Stirling each year, we have a healthy alumni network in Europe, North America and Asia. If you are interested in finding out more about the University of Stirling, then who better to speak to than the students themselves? Email us at: iss@stir.ac.uk for more information.

AGENCIES/PROVIDERS

The University works closely with a number of agencies who are happy to provide you with advice and assist you with your application. They are often able to offer orientations prior to departure and can provide you with extra support before you leave should you feel you need this. Several of our partner agencies also have members of staff based in Scotland who continue to support you on the ground throughout your studies.

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NORTH AMERICAN CONTACT

The University of Stirling has a member of staff permanently based in the USA who is on hand to answer any questions that you may have. She is happy to provide information on studying at Stirling, no matter whether you are in the early stages of deciding where to study, have applied, accepted your place, or are about to depart.

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