

VT IRELAND 2018

Culture, Sustainability, and Community

Spring 2018 (March 2-11)



Hiking in Connemara National Park

Enjoy your spring break studying culture, sustainability, and community in beautiful and friendly Ireland. Experience the culture and history of the rugged Connemara region while learning how natural resources, sustainability, and culture interact. *Experience the world!*

Course participants will meet and work with students at Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology in Letterfrack, Ireland. From our base in Letterfrack, will visit locations such as Connemara National Park, the Cliffs of Mohr, the wild Atlantic way, the Claddagh, museums, and historic sites. In addition to Letterfrack, we will visit and learn about the city of Galway and the town of Ennis.

The semester-long course includes once-per-week meetings in Blacksburg (in the evening) before and after travel to Ireland.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Appreciate the culture and history of the Connemara region of Ireland
- Learn of natural resource use and sustainability issues in Europe
- Develop intercultural skills
- Appreciate the interconnected nature of the world



Virginia Tech students help to reestablish native trees in Connemara National Park

ESSENTIALS

- Virginia Tech course, VT faculty led, VT credit
- No prerequisites; **open to all majors**
- Estimated course fee is \$2,500
- Course fee covers round trip airfare, in-country travel, lodging, and some meals
- Scholarships available
- Application deadline: December 15, 2017 (or when course reaches capacity)
- Apply through the VT Global Education website ([LINK](#))



Cliffs of Mohr, County Clare, Ireland

MORE INFORMATION

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