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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course offers a chronological survey of Ireland and the Irish from the Act of Union with Great Britain to the present day. It will consider the social, political, cultural and economic aspects of that history, and will place the island of Ireland within its wider contexts, as part of the United Kingdom, as part of Europe, as part of the British Empire, and as the source of the global Irish Diaspora. The course will focus on a number of central issues, including: how enduring sectarian divisions have influenced the development of Irish history; the Famine, mass emigration, and the rise of the Diaspora; the development and course of both Ulster and Southern unionism, and of Irish nationalism; the relationship of Ireland and the Irish to the British Empire and the wider Anglo-world; the Irish revolution, counter-revolution, and partition; the development of the Irish Free State, and Republic of Ireland; the history of Northern Ireland, the Troubles, and the peace process; the collapse of the ‘Celtic Tiger’.

INTENDED AIMS AND LEARNING OUTCOMES
By the end of the course students should be able to:
• undertake scholarly investigation into the issues of modern Irish history;
• interpret and analyze primary source material; demonstrate detailed knowledge of the course of Irish history, 1800-present;
• appraise the conflicting narratives of modern Irish history, and analyze specific events, problems, or ideas;
• work with peers as part of a learning team through group work organised by students; demonstrate scholarly initiative and a willingness to engage in intellectual debate.

This course aims to develop transferable skills in a number of areas. Skills relating to the format of the course are skills that are indispensable in many different kinds of work, both within academia and in the world at large. You are expected to develop your IT skills by submitting your essays in word-processed format. Written and oral work is designed to develop your skills of effective organisation, coherent expression and rational judgement. Lecture, seminar and essays topics have also been chosen in part with a view to prompting such reflections.
LECTURE/SEMINAR PROGRAMME
All students will attend the Tuesday lecture, which will be held 10-11am in King’s College KCG5. Seminars are held on Thursdays, and you should attend your assigned seminar group unless alternate arrangements have been made in advance.

The Lecture programme is as follows:

**11 September:** Introduction: A potted history of Ireland from Patrick to the Penal Laws

**18 September:** The Protestant Ascendancy

**25 September:** 1798 and the Act of Union

**2 October:** Daniel O’Connell and Catholic Emancipation

**9 October:** The Famine

**16 October:** The Devotional Revolution

**23 October:** Fenians

**30 October:** The Cultural Revival

**6 November:** READING WEEK – NO CLASS

**13 November:** The Easter Rising and the War of Independence

**20 November:** The Two Irelands

**27 November:** The Troubles

SEMINAR PROGRAMME
Each week, the seminar will introduce and discuss a document or reading relating to that week’s lecture. These will be posted on MyAberdeen.

READING LIST
The basic text for this course is Thomas Bartlett, *Ireland: A History* (2011).

Students may also wish to consult Alvin Jackson, *Ireland, 1798-1998* (1998),

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This is available online via the Library website, and is an excellent starting point for research. N.B. The DIB only contains entries on the deceased.

**THE CAMBRIDGE HISTORY OF IRELAND**

The new four volume *Cambridge History of Ireland* was published in 2018. It has been placed in the Heavy Demand section of the Sir Duncan Rice Library.

**WEBSITES**

A wealth of information on modern Ireland, especially the Famine and emigration, can be found online. The best way to access this is via ‘Irish History on the Web’. There are also a number of important websites relating to the Troubles in the north of Ireland:

- [Stormont Cabinet Papers](http://62.190.209.167/proni/index.htm)
- [Stormont Parliamentary Papers](http://www.ahds.ac.uk/stormont/index.html)
- [University of Ulster site – useful general information](http://cain.ulst.ac.uk/)

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