

# PUBLIC MEMORY AND SOCIAL IDENTITY IN NORTHERN IRELAND

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J-TERM 2025



### COURSE OPTION

ENGL 387 (ES) or SOCI 387 (ES)

### PREREQUISITES

2.0 minimum GPA

### CREDIT

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### APPLICATION

- Apply online at [studyaway.plu.edu](https://studyaway.plu.edu)
- Application Requirements:
  - \$50 non-refundable application fee
  - Application questions
  - 2 short-answer essays (250 words each)
  - 1 faculty recommendation
  - Following the online application process, you may be contacted by the faculty leader(s) for an interview
- April 15th: Application Deadline
- May 3rd: Decision Date

### PROGRAM FEE

- Final program fee will be determined April 1, 2024. Check [studyaway.plu.edu](https://studyaway.plu.edu) for pricing and details about inclusions and exclusions.
- Global Scholar Award eligible

### COURSE OVERVIEW

This January course will examine the intersection between identity and public memory construction in post-conflict Northern Ireland. We will be based in Belfast and Derry/Londonderry, ground zero for past (the Troubles) and current (post-Brexit) socio-political conflicts and home to an array of museums and memorials that participate in the construction of individual and group identity on a national and local scale. Course materials and experiences will draw from a sociological perspective to understand the connections between self and society, and a rhetorical perspective to consider strategies used to formulate identity via the design and organization of public space. Course assignments are identical for ENGL 387 and SOCI 387, including the site-based analysis of public memorial spaces and the manner in which context shapes meaning in those spaces. Students will have time off for independent exploration, including a long weekend for extended travel.

### FACULTY LEADERS

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