

Global Sports Academy

Sample



Collegiate Foreign Tour

Ireland



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Tentative Itinerary

DAY 1 - USA

Gather at US Airport and board your connecting transatlantic flight to Ireland. Enjoy meals and snacks in route and arrive the next morning with a grand time of sightseeing, touring, fun and activities ahead.

DAY 2 – DUBLIN - CORK

Welcome to the Emerald Isle! You have arrived in Dublin, Ireland where you will be met and taken on an orientation tour and travel to Cork City. Transfer to your hotel with the rest of the day free for relaxation or your own exploration. This evening gather together for a light practice and a Welcome Dinner.

DAY 3 – DUBLIN - CORK

This morning, visit Blarney Castle. This 15th-century fortress is known above all else for the legendary Blarney Stone, said to grant magical powers of eloquence to those who kiss it—which you can attempt by climbing the steep staircase to the top of the parapet and leaning out of the battlements. Afterwards the remainder of the day is at leisure to wander about on your own. This evening gather together for a light practice and have a friendly game against a local Cork Select Team.



Game One vs. TBD

DAY 4– GALWAY

This morning you will travel to and be introduced to Galway, Ireland. It has long since been known as "The City of the Tribes" and this title could not be more appropriate these days, given the multicultural vibrancy of present-day Galway. Enjoy this afternoon at leisure in Galway. Galway lends itself to walking, the city centre is compact and it is always lively and a pleasure to be in. You might choose to visit the broad expanse of Eyre Square or visit the Spanish Arch at the south end of the pedestrian mall which is one of the few remaining parts of the town's ancient defenses. Lovers of pub culture will delight in Galway's traditional public houses, from The Quays, Murphy's Bar, Monroe's Tavern and so much more. This evening you will gather and have a friendly game.



Game Two vs. TBD

DAY 5 – GALWAY

This morning as part of an on going tradition, the local basketball club team invites you to participate in the Junior Basketball Camp where they invite children from the surrounding area to come and be coached by the travelling team. During the afternoon you are once again free to absorb all of the sites Galway has to offer. This evening you all gather together for a team dinner.

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DAY 6 – DUBLIN

In the morning you will be travelling to Dublin. Originally founded as a Viking settlement, it evolved into the Kingdom of Dublin and became the island's principal city following the Norman invasion. Once you arrive, you will have lunch and then a team practice at Dublin City University (DCU) and then followed by an early dinner. Then it's back to DCU for your third game of the trip.

Game Three vs. TBD

DAY 7 – DUBLIN

It's never too early to pour the perfect pint. The Guinness Storehouse aims to tell the story of Guinness from its origins at the St James' Gate Brewery to its growth into a global brand. The story is told through various interactive exhibition areas including ingredients, brewing, transport, cooperage, advertising and sponsorship. At the base of the atrium lies a copy of the 9,000 year lease signed by Arthur Guinness on the Brewery site. Visitors have the opportunity to craft their own pint of Guinness, tutored by a dedicated Guinness ambassador. A complimentary pint of Guinness (or soft drink) is available with views over Dublin. Don't have too much because you return for lunch and then a late afternoon game against Dublin's Select Team.

Game Four vs. TBD

DAY 8 - BELFAST

In the morning you will be travelling to Belfast. Belfast is the capital of and largest city in Northern Ireland. Historically, Belfast has been a centre for the Irish linen industry, tobacco production, rope-making and shipbuilding: the city's main shipbuilders, Harland and Wolff, which built the well-known *RMS Titanic*, propelled Belfast on to the global stage in the early 20th century as the biggest and most productive shipyard in the world. Once you arrive in Belfast, you are free to tour the cultural site of the city but don't stay out too late for dinner is at the Bushmills Inn situated in Bushmills, this hotel is close to Old Bushmills Distillery, Giant's Causeway, and Dunluce Castle.

DAY 9 – BELFAST

In the morning you will participate in your second Junior Basketball Camp. After the camp, you will have lunch and a light practice and rest the remainder of the afternoon. This evening you all gather together for a team dinner and then play your final game of the tour.

Game Five vs. TBD

DAY 10 – BELFAST - USA

All good things must come to an end! This morning transfer to the airport to board your transatlantic jet returning you to the U.S.A. Arrive later this afternoon with many unforgettable memories.



About Global Sports Academy

Global Sports Academy is an organization created to arrange athletic competition between equally matched teams at all levels. To "Promote International Goodwill" and a better understanding between nations through sports is our major goal. With Global Sports Academy you will experience the thrill of international sports competition, attend cultural events and see the historical sites of the world.

Global Sports Academy ("GSA") has been participating in domestic and international competition since 1991. It was initially established to provide athletes overseas playing opportunities in Ice Hockey and it has grown to support a total of 12 different sports that compete in 25 different countries.

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"Education, Good Will and Sportsmanship through Sports"

Tour Package Includes the Following:

- Round trip airfare: USA Location – Ireland - USA Location
- Luggage: Each person is allowed 1 suitcase and one 1 carry-on (backpack)
- All taxes (airline/road/hotel) and gratuities (see "Exclusions" below)
- Accommodations in 3 or 4 star hotels in twin bedded rooms; (single room, additional charge)
- 9 Days and 7 Nights
- Meal plan: Buffet breakfast included daily
Team and Coaches only will be given dinner after every game
- English speaking tour guide for entire stay
- Ground transportation as "a group" for entire tour while in Ireland
- 5 games vs. local teams (with number of games to be agreed upon prior to leaving)

Exclusions:

- Lunches and beverages (soda) with meals
- Dinners on all non-games days
- Gratuities for motor coach driver and tour escort
- Admission to all attractions not specified in above inclusions

The itinerary and tour is not intended to be a scripted event but rather a time for the student athlete to explore and experience a different culture in their own way and time

Conditions of Travel – Please Read Carefully

General Conditions for Global Sports Academy Programs

Global Sports Academy (which expression shall for the purpose of these conditions include and parents subsidiary affiliate or associated company and hereinafter shall be called “the Company”) acts only as agents providing accommodations, transportation or other services, and all coupons, exchange orders, receipts, contacts and tickets issued are issued subject to any and all tariffs, terms and conditions under which any accommodation, transportation or any other services whatsoever are provided. The Company shall not be liable or responsible for death of or injury to any person or loss of or damage to any property or otherwise (including baggage) whether due to its servants agents or employees negligence or otherwise arising out of or in connection with any accommodation transportation or other services or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, dangers incident to the sea, hijack, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of governments or other authorities, de jure or de facto, wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, pilferage, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations delays or cancellations of or changes in itinerary or schedules or over bookings or defaults, or from any causes beyond the Company’s control or through the acts of default of the hotels, airlines, bus or car companies, railroads, steamship lines or owners or contractors providing accommodation, transportation or other services or for any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and that neither the Company nor its servants agents or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour members as a result of any of the foregoing causes. All prices quoted are subject to change without notice having regards to unforeseen circumstances, foreign exchange fluctuations and variations in airline operating costs including but not limited to say an escalation of fuel prices. Unused services cannot be refunded or exchanged. The Company reserves the right to cancel the tour and/or modify the itineraries in any way it thinks desirable and further reserves the right to decline to accept any person or any tour and may substitute hotels where necessary. The issuance and acceptance or receipts, tickets, vouchers, coupons or travel orders shall be deemed consent to the above.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ ALL THESE BOOKING CONDITIONS CAREFULLY AND ENSURE ALL TOUR PARTICIPANTS ARE MADE AWARE

ALL LAND COSTS SHOWN ARE SUBJECT TO ALTERATION (UP OR DOWN) DUE TO EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS (SELLING RATE) AND INCREASES IN LAND AND AIR COSTS WHICH MAY ARISE BETWEEN NOW AND THE DATE OF DEPARTURE

Refunds: The refund policy is as follows:

- 75 days from Departure: 75% refund, loss of deposits
- 60 days from Departure: 50% refund
- 45 days from Departure: NO REFUND

Amendment Fee: Any person wishing to amend from the group tour arrangements will be charged a standard \$100.00 amendment fee per person plus any additional charges involved with the amendment (increase in airfare, additional transfers, accommodation etc).

Insurance Protection: We strongly recommend you take out a Travel Insurance policy which is available from Global Sports Academy. Policy booklets are available from Global Sports Academy

Changes in Itinerary: There may be circumstances beyond the control of Global Sports Academy and our suppliers that necessitate revisions (including tour dates) of the itinerary. Every effort will be made to have changes maintain the intent of the original itinerary. Global Sports Academy shall not be or become liable or responsible in any way whatsoever for loss, injury, or damage due to sickness, weather, strikes, war, quarantine, and injury during program events; however caused or arising. Global Sports Academy reserves the right to alter any part of the tour it deems necessary or advisable. The additional cost resulting from such change shall be paid by the program participant.

Television and Video Rights: Global Sports Academy has full television and video rights in and to any and all of the programs or events affiliated with the Global Sports Academy program.

Member's Acceptance: Global Sports Academy reserves the right, in its own discretion, to decline or accept approval of any individual as a member of Global Sports Academy.

Conditions of Travel – Please Read Carefully

What's included in the Cost of My Trip?

- Round trip airfare from the team's gateway city airport (hotel taxes & Service fees)
- International hotel accommodations
- Uniforms
- Meals and Tours as outlined in the itinerary
- An experienced and knowledgeable tour manager and coaching staff

What's NOT included in the Cost of My Trip

- Connecting airline ticket to gateway city
- Fuel Surcharges (when applicable)
- Visa fees (if applicable)
- Individual medical insurance (Primary)
- Customary tipping (Bus drivers, etc.)
- Laundry
- Travel insurance (Recommended)
- Personal items such as gifts, telephone calls, snacks, drinks, etc

Documentation: Australian citizens require a passport with minimum 6 months validity from date of departure from final destination. Other passport holders may require additional documentation. Please check your applicable requirements with our Travel Consultant. A copy of each person's passport is required.

Airline & Airport Taxes, Surcharges & Levies: Are not included in the tour cost as they are continually changing. Any of these charges imposed by the airline will be notified to you at the time of final payment 2 months prior to departure. Frequent flyer/mileage accrual : Some group airfares are not eligible to accrue frequent flyer points (due to discounted group airfares). Please advise your travel consultant if you are a member of the airlines associated frequent flyer program to see if your fare is eligible for frequent flyer point accrual.

Travel Advisories : We strongly suggest that you consult the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFAT) website and register (either group or individual) so that you are kept up to date with any travel warnings or advisories that may be in place for your destinations (www.dfat.gov.au). You should also advise DFAT of your travel details such as date of departure and itinerary.

Travel and Immunizations: It is essential that all tour participants discuss their personal travel plans with a health professional to ensure you have the correct vaccinations for your trip and any booster doses of childhood vaccinations you may need.

Upon re-entry, Customs & Immigration will request a copy of your vaccination certificate if you have visited areas that have current health risks or hazardous diseases. For further information, visit the following website to check the current health alert and warnings for the destination/s you are visiting.