



*BPS
Professional
Journey
to Ireland*

April 12-21, 2019



**ALTERRA
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JOIN OUR BPS PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY TO IRELAND!

APRIL 12-21, 2019 | Price: \$2900 per person sharing. Single room \$480

Explore the Principles of Conflict Resolution

This is a signature overseas professional opportunity for BPS educators! In and near Dublin, we'll hear from Irish experts in conflict resolution; forgiveness and reconciliation; peace, equity, and justice. We'll explore how societies enter into and move beyond conflict, and we'll learn what lessons this holds for our classrooms! We'll examine techniques for avoiding war – and we'll review peaceful non-violent approaches to oppression, civil disobedience, and conscientious objection.

Debate the Merits of 4 Global Reconciliation Models

We'll explore conflict resolution models at the global level: We'll do deep dives into Truth & Reconciliation initiatives from Ireland. Presenter from a local university will talk about how they teach on conflict and peace to their students. The presentations and workshops – will apply the practical outcomes of these lived experiences to your students' own reality back home in Boston.

NB. Participating US educators will also deliver short presentations, as Irish educators are interested to hear of BPS educators' experiences.

Spotlight on Bullying and anti-bullying interventions in schools, in particular for children with Special Educational Needs and/or disability (SEN/D)

We'll hear about creative, practical Irish classroom techniques and beyond-the-classroom projects, and we'll apply these to our own unique settings in Boston. We'll enjoy a robust, moderated roundtable around interventions in schools on anti-bullying interventions in schools, with a spotlight on students with SEN/D.

Engage with Northern Ireland's Stakeholders in Spirited, Respectful Dialogue

In recent years, in the wake of a 30-year span known as “The Troubles”, Northern Ireland has emerged as a model of comity. The Troubles have given way to conversation and a shared commitment to peace and respect. We'll hold a spirited dialogue with interfaith leaders, educators, activists, and journalists.

Methodology

Employing the multiple format of intensive small-group discussions, case studies, interactive exercises, facilitated discussions, and plenary sessions, this workshop will use an action-reflection methodology frequently utilized in interactive, experiential and elicitive learning.

Alterra proposes to design and effect relevant, interactive dialogues with subject matter experts onsite at university and high school campuses, local NGO headquarters, and government offices. Presenters will open with a brief presentation of the selected issues. A moderator will ensure that each dialogue 'pops' with robust dialogue, a spirit of questioning and exploration. Small-group exercises, breakout sessions, and BPS educators' feedback presentations may be incorporated, as appropriate and time permitting

Dates, Pricing & Daily Agendas

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PRICING is set at \$2900 per person. Single supplement \$480.

This includes:

- ✦ Registration for 5 days of professional development
- ✦ Round-trip international airfare from Boston Logan
- ✦ 7 nights' shared hotel accommodation
- ✦ All breakfasts – and lunches during the workweek
- ✦ Sessions on Conflict Resolution Theory, consideration of 4+ global models, dialogues on relevance to curriculum and school culture
- ✦ Panel with Northern Ireland's key stakeholders: A spirited, respectful dialogue
- ✦ Ground transport & professional local guiding

Inquire & Register

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