



Ireland

Age : 15 to 18

HIGH SCHOOL ABROAD

Private school in Ireland, County Cork (Tralee)

SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

The College welcomes students in year 5 and 6 only (last 2 years of secondary studies). There are currently 110 students enrolled in the school. Facilities include modern classrooms equipped to a very high standard, unlimited computer access. Please note that there is no sports facility on campus.

The school arranges one or two school trips per year. The school has recently moved to new modern premises. Note that there is no uniform requirement at this school.

Tralee is the country town of County Kerry, located in the South-West of Ireland. The town's population including suburbs was 23 693 in the 2011 census. The climate of Tralee is, like the rest of Ireland, classified as a maritime temperate climate. Tralee is a tourism destination with museums, Ireland's National Folk Theatre, a large indoor water leisure facility with a mini-golf course, woods, parks, and nature reserves.

SCHOOL SYSTEM

A typical secondary school consists of 1st to 3rd years, the usually optional 4th year or Transition Year (< 16 Y.O.), the 5th year (16/17 Y.O.) and 6th year (> 17 Y.O.). Note that Brookfield College

only welcomes students in 5th and 6th Year. 95 per cent of all Brookfield College students who sat the Leaving Certificate are now in third-level education, in institutions across Ireland, the North and the UK. Students are monitored continuously and are required to sit regular assessments.

The Senior Cycle builds on the junior cycle and culminates with the *Leaving Certificate Examination*. International Students must take a minimum of five subjects (most students take 7 or even more) including the two core subjects of English and Mathematics. Students can then choose their other subjects from a broad range including arts, languages, science and other applied subjects (e.g. mechanical drawing, woodwork etc.). At the end of the senior cycle the Leaving Certificate Examination is taken. Students normally sit for this examination at eighteen years of age.

The Leaving Certificate Examination is internationally recognised as being the equivalent of the British A Level Examination and the International Baccalaureate Examination and allows access to universities in the UK, the USA and all over Europe.

Graduation is possible.



Location : Tralee

Boarding : Full board

Accommodation : Host family

Length : Academic Year

Type : Private

Application deadline : March 31st for an arrival in August, October 31st for an arrival in January. Late applications may be accepted, depending on availability and visa processing times.

Requirements : Students must be interviewed in their home country before being accepted on the program. A minimum of two years of English study and good academic results are required.