**Belfast Spring Break 2020**

**Friday 13 March**

Students leave for Ireland

**Saturday 14 March**

Take 300 or 300a from airport to Europa Bus Centre. 10.50 return ticket. Leaves every 15 minutes, 40 minute ride.

Walk to Vagabonds Youth Hostel, 9 University Road, Belfast, BT7 1NA (opposite Crescent Arts Centre).

Orientation tour: Queen's University, Botanical Gardens

DINNER ON OWN & FREE EVE

**Sunday 15 March**

Bus to Cave Hill and then Walk up Cave Hill (Divis and Black Mountain?). Enter park at Belfast Castle via Strathmore Park Road.

Afternoon: The Ulster Museum/Queens University — FREE –(open 10-5)

Welcome Meal

**Monday 16 March**

Walk to City Hall (about a mile) where we'll meet AP

10:00 a.m.-10:45 Free tour of City Hall (lasts between 45 minutes and one hour).

11:30 - 12:15 Linen Hall Library tour (political collection) and soup/sandwich lunch

Take Bus to Stormont From Queen Street, take 20a toward Dundonald, or from Donegall Square West, take 4b toward Stormont, travel time on bus is 35-60 minutes

2:00- 3:30 Stormont

Play/Film/Music

**Tuesday 17 March**

9:15 a.m. Bus up the Antrim Coast/Giant's Causeway (1:30), Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge (90:30, arrival at 10:15), Fair Head walk. Full day. (Contact Bobby and NT properties)

Evening: Kelly's Cellars

**Wednesday 18 March**

Tour of Titanic Quarter/Museum. Meet Pat in City Centre at 9.30am for walk/talk to Titanic Quarter. Museum, slipway, drawing rooms/hotel.

Afternoon: Murals Tour — Black Cab Tours (3 cabs). Early dinner (Contact Bobby)

Skainos for Irish Language Appointment —illustrated talk by Linda Ervine (the person who started the Turas Irish language project) 5:30-6:30, followed by attendance at Irish language class 7:00-9:00, though there's no need to stay that long.

Bus back to Youth Hostel

**Thursday 19 March**

Bellaghy, HomePlace/Seamus Heaney Centre, Grave followed by Derry (tour of the walls, Bogside): Guide Dermot McCloskey

**Friday 20 March**

10:00 a.m. Tour of Clifton House (cliftonbelfast.com, Belfast's 17th-century origins, charitable society and poor house) and nearby Clifton Street Graveyard (1797) (HJ McCracken and sister Mary Ann) -- includes tea break and catered cafe lunch (approx £15 pp) -- EAMON PHEONIX as guide?

2:00 Crumlin Road Gaol Tour About a 15 minute walk from Clifton House

Play/Film/Music

**Saturday 21 March**

Check out of Vagabonds Youth Hostel for flight from Belfast.