Early Christian Ireland c.400-1000

This module deals with what has traditionally been known as Ireland's "Golden Age". Having begun with a brief introduction to prehistoric Ireland, it covers in more detail the period from the arrival of Christianity in the fifth century to the eve of the first Viking attacks at the end of the eighth. The focus is wide-ranging, from early Irish politics and the emergence of a high-kingship to St Patrick and the impact of Christianization, from Brehon law and the bonds of society to the study of landscape and settlement and early Irish farming, and from Hiberno-Latin and Gaelic literature to the visual art that culminated in the creation of the greatest masterpiece of the Golden Age, the Book of Kells.

Fee:
*Reduced Fee: €60 for the course. **€30 concession
**The concession rate is available to second and third level students and people whose primary source of income is social welfare, health board or a government-sponsored employment scheme.

Time and Place:

*This course will be taught online. We want to make your experience as personable as possible and hope to add some extra live Zoom interactive sessions once term has started. More details will be available at the beginning of term. If you have not previously used Zoom or other online teaching platforms, please email hhextra@tcd.ie with ‘help with online teaching’ in the subject bar and we will arrange some pre-semester help sessions in September.

Duration:

This lecture-only module comprises two lectures per week over one commencing in September 2020