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Quick Facts

- Professors Marguerite Quintelli-Neary and Rory Cornish will co-direct the Irish Studies' Southern regional conference.
- Speakers will be poet Greg Delanty and Irish/Scottish scholar Patrick Crotty.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop is the host for the **Irish Studies' Southern regional conference** March 8-10 and will recognize "**A Piece of the Irish Dream**" as its dream.

The event will bring scholars from across the country to one of the most prestigious conferences of its kind. "The conference will give the Winthrop community and the greater region another opportunity to participate in scholarship and fellowship that ventures beyond the classroom," said **Marguerite Quintelli-Neary**, an associate professor of English and co-director of the conference with **Rory Cornish**, chair of the Department of History.

World-renowned poet **Greg Delanty** and Irish and Scottish scholar **Patrick Crotty** are among those making presentations. Scholars will present more than 50 research papers. The conference is open to anyone interested in Irish studies.

Delanty will host a poetry reading on March 9 in **Johnson Theatre** at 5:30 p.m. Currently on the faculty at St. Michael's College in Vermont, **Delanty** has authored several books, including "Collected Poems 1986-2006" and "The Ship of Birth." The admission to his reading is \$10, and tickets may be purchased at the door.

Crotty, a professor at the University of Aberdeen and visiting professor at William and Mary College, is a well-known Irish poetry scholar.

The total cost of the conference is \$105. The project is funded by the Arts Council of Rock Hill and York County Small Grants Program.

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