



Situated on the bustling Falls Road, in the heart of West Belfast, St. Mary's University College has been thriving as an educational community for over one hundred years. The College makes a distinctive contribution to higher education in Northern Ireland. As an academic institution it strives to give its students exceptional teaching and learning opportunities within a Christian, values-sensitive environment. The College has a Catholic ethos that is inclusive and as such welcomes students from all religious beliefs and backgrounds.

## St. Mary's University College offers a range of degree options for the Undergraduate and Postgraduate student:

BEd (Hons) Primary BEd (Hons) Secondary BA (Hons) Liberal Arts PGCE Irish Medium Education M-Level Masters Programme (Part – time)

Full details of these courses can be found on the College website: www.smucb.ac.uk

Students attending St. Mary's University College enjoy an enriching and value-added educational experience.

The College has bi-lateral agreements with partner universities in Europe and America that facilitate those students who wish to avail of the opportunity to study internationally.

Being a relatively small campus of approximately one thousand students, the atmosphere is one of genuine welcome and friendship. This contributes to a real sense of community and partnership between staff and students.

In the National Student Survey (2007), St. Mary's University College, Belfast was in the top ten in terms of overall student satisfaction. Furthermore, in the latest '*Guardian University League Tables'* the College was placed 8th for Education out of 66 university level institutions.

The vibrant Students' Union ensures that an enjoyable and lively social life compliments the academic and intellectual demands. Student life at St. Mary's includes opportunities for involvement in sport, music, drama and craic.

The College's location, on one of the main arterial roads in the city, means that students have easy access to restaurants, cinemas, theatres, concert arenas and museums. They can enjoy the Belfast Festival at Queen's in November and Féile an Phobail on the Falls Road in August.

St. Mary's University College believes in increasing access and participation in higher education and actively encourages applications from those who would perhaps not readily think of a university education.

In promoting its vision for economic regeneration and social development as the way forward in building peace and reconciliation, St. Mary's College works with a wide range of partners in the local communities in West and North Belfast.

[To enjoy a virtual tour of St. Mary's University College, Belfast log on to the website www.smucb.ac.uk and click General on the menu option to reveal the promotional video.]

