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1. Crosscare participates in unique workshop focusing on emigration

Last month, Crosscare Migrant Project participated in a unique emigration workshop event hosted by University College Cork **focusing on contemporary Irish and European migration trends.**

On June 20th the *'Lost Generations or Transnational Sojourners?'* symposium was held not just for an audience in UCC but could also be accessed by participants outside of Ireland via webinar.

Persepectives on emigration from Poland and Portugal were followed by three Irish perspectives from Joe O'Brien of Crosscare Migrant Project, Piaras Mac Éinrí of UCC and Mary Gilmartin of NUI Maynooth. Joe outlined Crosscare's work with intending emigrants, recent trends in our service and the larger context of outward migration from Ireland in recent years.

For more information on the event click [here](#) or see the facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/UCC-Emigration-Workshop-June-20th-2011/125630164182637>

2. Limited places remaining for Canada's 2011 one year working holiday programme

As of 21st July 2011, the Embassy of Canada in Ireland has advised that there were only **approximately 1,250 places remaining** on the International Experience Canada (working holiday) programme for 2011.

Anyone who wishes to apply for this programme in 2011 should do so as soon as possible to ensure the best chance of securing a place. For anyone that applies now, they can travel to Canada anytime within 12 months from the date their application is approved.

In order to apply, you must **register your email address online** and then **download a personalised application kit.**

More information on the International Experience Canada (working holiday) programme, including details on how to register and how to obtain the application kit is available on the **website of the Embassy of Canada in Ireland www.canada.ie**, or by clicking [here](#).

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3. New points test for General Skilled Migration to Australia

As of 1st July 2011, the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship has introduced a **new points test** that will apply to anyone hoping to qualify for general skilled migration to Australia (applications where the applicant does not have an employer sponsor).

While all applicants **must have an occupation that is listed in the Skilled Occupation List**, there are no longer any points awarded for occupations. The new points test focuses on better **English levels**; more extensive skilled **work experience**; higher level **qualifications**; and also **increases the age limit to 50** years of age.

For information on the new points test and **Skilled (Independent) Migrant Visas** see: <http://www.immi.gov.au/skilled/general-skilled-migration/175/>

To check if you have an **eligible occupation** on the **Skilled Occupation List** see: http://www.immi.gov.au/skilled/_pdf/sol-schedule1.pdf

For general information on **immigration and visas for Australia** see the website of the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship: <http://www.immi.gov.au/>

4. New results of 2012 US Visa Lottery available online now

The 2012 United States Diversity Visa (DV) Lottery results were posted online in May; however these results were voided as they were not valid due to a computer error in the random selection process.

For anyone who already submitted an entry to the visa lottery in October/November 2010, there is no need to reapply; however applicants should be aware that a **new selection has taken place** and the **results of the new selection are now available online** through the 'DV Entrant Status Check'.

Anyone who entered the lottery in 2010 should go to the **official DV Lottery website** www.dvlottery.state.gov to see if their application has been selected, and for more information on the selection process.

For full details of the services available from Crosscare Migrant Project please see our website www.migrantproject.ie