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Call for Applications for a Study Visit on

TRENDS IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

March 31st – April 10th, 2009

Boston, Massachusetts and San Francisco, California

Fourteen individuals (seven from Ireland and seven from Northern Ireland) to include senior administrators and policymakers from third level institutions and relevant government agencies and professional bodies in order to participate in a funded study-visit to the United States. Some of the topics of inquiry will include enrolment management, equity of access, curriculum design, building community, and establishing strong relations and strategic partnerships with alumni and with corporate entities. The programme is sponsored by the Irish Institute at the Centre for Irish Programmes, Boston College, and the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. All programme-related costs including travel, accommodation, tuition, and the majority of meals are provided. The programme is not open to U.S. citizens, Green Card holders, or past participants of U.S. Government-funded Irish Institute programmes. *Short-listed applicants must be available for interview either 10th February in Belfast or 12th February in Dublin.* Please note that the programme is by necessity highly selective, and that consequently, not all applicants will be interviewed and not all interviewees will be invited to participate.

To apply: Please visit our website at <http://www.bc.edu/irishinstitute> for an application form. The completed form, in addition to a letter of interest, must be returned by email to Ms. Thea Gilien at gilien@bc.edu before 5 p.m. GMT on Wednesday, **28th January, 2009**. The letter of interest should include: reason for application, your ability to contribute to the programme, and potential for sharing your experience upon your return home. For further information, please visit our website www.bc.edu/irishinstitute or telephone Ms. Thea Gilien (Dublin) at (353) 1 614 7450.