

Dear Hiring Manager,

My name is Laura Fenn and I am writing to apply to the 2023 Summer Intern Programme. I am a current Senior Freshman student in Trinity College Dublin studying Law and Business (Law Major). I am a graduate of Loreto College Foxrock where I was the recipient of an academic scholarship. I completed my Leaving Certificate in 2021 and achieved maximum points of 625. It has long been a dream of mine to work in a prestigious Dublin Law Firm such as Byrne Wallace.

I chose to study Law & Business as the dual degree affords me the unique privilege of gathering knowledge in not only law but the broad discipline of business. While studying topics such as Torts, Contract and Land Law, I also have the opportunity to explore modules in Economics, Finance and Accounting. I believe these studies alongside my time spent as a junior-analyst in the Student Managed Fund have been vital in developing the commercial awareness necessary for an internship in Byrne Wallace.

Over the last few years I have gained invaluable experience from several jobs and internships. For example, last summer I travelled to Madrid to complete an internship with fast-growing property-technology company BidX1. This dual language position allowed me to gain insight into the Real Estate sector of a foreign country. A particularly interesting part of this internship was examining regulation related to anti-fraud and money laundering. Moreover, I had the chance to examine Spanish law surrounding vacant possession and short-term rentals.

While studying I maintain a part-time job in a local pub. Waitressing has taught me how to work in a fast-paced, demanding environment and manage stressful situations. Additionally, I also work intermittently in the events department of the Irish Hotels Federation. This role is varied and often involves assisting in the running of charity days, team building exercises and conferences. My experiences with the IHF have helped me to strengthen my problem-solving, communication and interpersonal skills, which I believe to be fundamental for a career in law.

One of the main factors that attracts me to the Byrne Wallace Summer Programme is the firm's people focused nature. The emphasis placed on employee growth and development in Byrne Wallace is a major contributor to the firm's position as a leading corporate law innovator today. Moreover, with close links to law firms around the world, Byrne Wallace is the perfect firm for any aspiring solicitor to begin a career in commercial law. In this increasingly globalised world such a broad perspective is crucial for personal development and international cooperation. Finally, yet another advantage of this internship is the possible stepping-stone it provides to the highly sought after solicitor traineeship.

Away from my studies and part-time work, I am an individual who endeavours to spend their free time in a meaningful manner. I volunteer in the Student2Student mentor programme. I enjoy playing sports in particular athletics, Pilates and golf. I have a strong love of music and play and teach the piano. Finally, travel is a great passion of mine and I was fortunate enough to spend a month last summer exploring Europe by train. This year I look forward to completing my Erasmus at ESADE Law School, Barcelona.

Thank you for your consideration, I hope to hear from you soon.

Kind regards,

Laura Fenn