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Aoife Kelly

Education

Dublin Academy of Education: 2019-2020 Leaving Certificate

Trinity College Dublin: 2020-2024 Law & Political Science (LL.B. (Pol. Sc.)) Candidate

- Recipient of Entrance Exhibition Award (2020)
- Recipient of the Cara O'Hagan Memorial Prize for Land Law (2022)

Work Experience

Surfdock: Wakeboarding & SUP Instructor May 2018 - May 2020; Assistant Retail Manager May 2020 - September 2022

After joining the team as a part-time watersports instructor in secondary school, I worked my way up to assistant retail manager by demonstrating my loyalty and my love for the job. Implementing a new, efficient system for stock management, both in the physical stockrooms and utilising new online tools, I allowed for better productivity among staff and a better customer experience for both in-store and online purchases.

My time in this role taught me what it means to lead a team; to assume responsibility for those around me, and to engage with differences of opinion. Being part of such a collaborative environment furthered my interpersonal and communication skills, and taught me to appreciate the value of having and being part of a supportive team.

Additionally, I gained experience on the shop-floor, in customer-facing situations. With my extensive product knowledge, I was able to provide enthusiastic and informed customer service. I learned how to make the customer experience an enjoyable and easy one.

Hibernia College: Finance Internship June 2021 - August 2021

Under the mentorship of the CFO and her team, this experience allowed me to develop new skills in a field I had had little exposure to prior to my internship. This experience helped to foster a strong work ethic and an attention to detail which has greatly helped me in subsequent academic and professional situations.

Gaining practical experience in a challenging, fast-paced yet supportive environment has had a lasting impact on my professional skills in general. Engaging in tasks such as invoicing adjunct staff, completing purchase orders, and assisting with data collection allowed me to further my skills with Excel and other IT systems.

Other Skills & Interests

Languages

English: Native

French: Conversational

Skills & Hobbies

Research skills, debating & mootng, reasoning

Reading, writing, swimming, surfing