

# Aidan Donnelly

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I am currently in my penultimate year of studying PPES at Trinity College Dublin and am looking for an internship in a law firm for the upcoming summer. Having developed my writing and argumentative abilities through my study of philosophy and advanced English classes, I aim to utilize my talents while gaining invaluable knowledge on what a career in law entails.

## Education

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### **Trinity College Dublin** (2017-present)

- PPES (Philosophy, Political Science, Economics, and Sociology)
- Focus on Philosophy and Economics
- Earned 2.1 (second honors)
- Taken modules Logic, Moral Philosophy, Modern European Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy, Philosophy of the Mind, and Philosophy of Religion.

### **Fordham Preparatory School** Bronx, NY (2013-2017)

- Graduated with a 3.85 weighted GPA
- Ignation Scholar Award (four-year full academic scholarship)
- Attained highest possible score in advanced placement tests for English Literature, English Language, Macroeconomics, and United States History.
- Earned a 31 on the ACT (within top 95<sup>th</sup> percentile nationally)

## Work Experience

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### **Apawamis Country Club** Rye, NY (2014-August 2019) *Assistant Manager of Poolside Dining*

- I began working as a server at Apawamis but gained additional responsibilities with each summer spent at the club.
- These five years in the service industry have given me the ability to quickly learn new skills and adapt to changing situations in a fast-paced environment.
- Organized lunch and dinner service, coordinated events in the pool area, and fully managed this section of the club when the manager was absent
- This position allowed me to develop the interpersonal skills acquired through team sports in a professional setting.
- Worked with and lead a team to meet high standards of service in a high-pressure environment
- Improved customer service skills by responding to member's requests and inquiries

## Awards and Achievements

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- National Honor Society
- New York Times 2016 Student Editorial Contest Runner-Up: “Concussion Hysteria” was a short editorial piece describing the increased awareness of concussion’s negative effects from the perspective of young athletes. Out of over 6,300 entries from around the world, my editorial earned twelfth place. <https://learning.blogs.nytimes.com/2016/05/23/runners-up-from-our-third-annual-student-editorial-contest/>
- Joseph J. Ososki Award: This award is given to a graduating senior who represents the well-rounded student Fordham Preparatory aims to develop.

## Outreach/Volunteering

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- DUFC Women’s: Current forward’s coach for Trinity Women’s Rugby. My responsibilities include organizing training sessions, creating a plan for player development, and working with management to organize fixtures. Having moved up to Leinster division 2 since last season, the team has maintained an above .500 record and has shown major signs of improvement.
- Boy Scouts of America: Eagle Scout (highest rank in BSA)- required planning, fundraising for and executing a major public project. My project involved replacing a dangerous footbridge in Rye Nature Center. Getting the project approved by the Boy Scout Council and Rye Building Council was a major lesson in organization and attention to detail. After months of adjustments and paperwork, I led a group of roughly 20 volunteers and successfully completed the project in three full days.
- Appalachia Habitat for Humanity: Scott County, Tennessee- Helped to raise funds and then assisted with the framing and flooring of two homes for families in need
- P.O.T.S. (Part of the Solution): Bronx, NY- volunteered in a food pantry and soup kitchen for seventy total hours

## Other Interests/ Relevant Skills

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Team sports have played a major role in developing my ability to work with and lead a team. At Fordham Preparatory, I captained both the American football and rugby team. Having to coordinate teammates from vastly different backgrounds helped me learn how to inspire individuals to achieve a common goal. Outside of my role as captain, sports have taught me the importance of planning, preparation, and consistent work for success.

- DUFC: plays for Trinity Rugby, part of 2019 U-20 All-Ireland winning team
- Fordham Prep (American) Football: **captain**, two-time defensive MVP, all-conference player
- Fordham Prep Rugby: **captain**, two-time MVP
  
- Trinity Student Managed Fund: current Junior Analyst in the Basic Materials Sector
- Member of Fordham Prep choir
- Enjoys playing guitar and hiking