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*Education:*

* Currently studying the Masters in Common Law at University College Dublin. (2015-2017) The MCL is both a masters degree and a primary law degree, accepted by Kings Inns as an approved degree.
* B.A. (Hons) History and English, UCD. (2012-2015)

*Work Experience:*

* Sales Colleague, Homestore + More Dundalk. (2015- Present): Awarded several customer service bonuses. Duties include cash handling and till operation, filing of health and safety documents and credit/ debit card receipts, cleaning and customer service.
* Co- Manager of Roots Café, Dundalk Youth Centre. (2011-2012) successfully managed a youth café with other teenagers in the heart of Dundalk. The Dundalk Youth Centre placed us in control of cash handling, stock management and general café management.
* Editor-in- Chief, Irish Youth Times (2011-2013) I co- founded the Irish Youth Times in 2011, and was appointed Editor-in-Chief by the Editorial Committee. I established strong press links, and arranged for interviews with the Dalai Lama, President Michael D. Higgins, Taoiseach Enda Kenny, Frances Fitzgerald T.D and Gerry Adams T.D, and secured press passes for our writers to the first sitting of Dáil Éireann following the 2011 elections, music concerts, fashion shows and other events.

*Achievements and Interests:*

* Member of the *UCD Law Review* Editorial Board. We are currently in the process of reviewing and editing articles, and referring them for rejection or peer review. Applications flow in from other universities all around the globe, and authors vary from undergraduate students to Law Professors. The role involves precision, dedication and the ability to work to tight deadlines.
* Sub- Editor of the Student Legal Service’s *Public Interest Law in Ireland* publication. In my capacity as sub-editor, I edit and correct articles written by UCD Law Students. The position requires a keen eye for detail, and the ability to merge the work of different people into a dingle coherent construct.
* UCD Mental Health Co-ordinator (2015) I was elected the first ever Mental Health Coordinator of UCD by a plenary sitting of the Student Council. Roles included drafting motions in Student Council, delivering reports to plenary sittings, chairing forum meetings, organising and scheduling events, establishing new Students Union mental health initiatives and expanding already existing ones, reviewing union policies and supervising sub-committees.
* UCD Student Council member (2015)
* Amnesty UCD Committee member, and member of the Amnesty Writer’s group for the University Observer. (2015-present)
* Member of the Student Poets in Residence at UCD, tutored by the Ireland Chair of Poetry Prof. Harry Clifton. (2013)
* UCD Welfare Forum Committee member (2015)
* Comhairle na nÓg (Youth County Council) Member (2011-2012) Elected a representative to the Louth Youth County council for the Dundalk Youth Centre. Roles included drafting motions and producing reports.