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**Education**

2015 – 2018 National University of Ireland, Galway: BCL (predicted grade 2.1)

**Second Year:**

EU Law I - 77%

Essay - 74%

EU Law II - 68%

Legal Methods and Research II - 66%

Criminal Law I - 66%

Company Law II - 65%

Alternative Dispute Resolution - 62%

Criminal Law II - 60%

Administrative Law II - 58%

Company Law I - 57%

Administrative Law II - 52%

Consumer Law and Policy - 47%

**Overall Result: 2:1**

**First Year:**

Tort Law - 68%

Sociology of Law - 66%

Legal Procedure - 65%

Constitutional Law - 62%

Irish Legal System - 60%

Contract Law - 58%

Legal Methods and Research - 58%

Family Law - 45%

**Overall Result: 2:1**

**Third Year**

Industrial and Intellectual Property Law - 74%

Housing Law and Policy - 70%

Land Law I - 68%

International Protection of Human Rights - 65%

Equity I - 64%

Essay - N/A

Banking Law - N/A

International Public Law - N/A

Clinical Legal Placement - N/A

Equity II - N/A

Land II - N/A

**Overall Result: predicted 2:1**

2008 – 2015 Assumption Grammar School, Ballynahinch

**A-Levels (ABCC)**

Sociology (A) History (B) Physical Education (C) Politics (C)

I have received a conditional offer from UCD to study a masters in International Commercial Law starting in September 2018. I fully intend on taking my place on this course and developing my legal education in the international commercial law sphere as the next step in my plan to becoming a corporate solicitor.

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**Legal Work Experience**

Jan 2018 – **Clinical Legal Placement with Barrister**

* + Writing legal articles with the intention on being published under the supervision of the Barrister;
  + Researching legislation and any updates that have occurred and informing local companies;
  + Putting together PowerPoint presentations on my legal research. I have already met up the managers of COPE Galway and presented my work to them on the new Domestic Violence Bill 2017, and the legal issues surrounding domestic abuse victims and legal aid;
  + I assist the Barrister with different cases through research. The research I have carried out for current cases concerns employment law issues for persons with disabilities such as accommodation;
  + I attend court and meet clients and discuss their case (if they are willing), this has taught me the importance of confidentiality and integrity.

Aug – Dec

2017 - **Kemple Gormley Solicitors, Galway**

I sought out local work experience during the first semester of the this academic year and worked with this firm every Monday before my lecture at 6pm. My responsibilities include:

* + Drafting correspondence and legal documents;
  + Reception work;
  + Billing work on cases;
  + Using CortBase for client and case management;
  + Conduct research on relevant legislation, regulations and legal articles;
  + Kept cases organised by establishing and organising a filing system.

Aug 2016 –  **Arthur Cox, Belfast**

* + Interacting with associates and partners;
  + Using my initiative to solve problems set by each department and present complex legal issues in a simple and understandable manner;
  + Advancing my commercial awareness whilst developing effective communication in a fast pace office environment;
  + The opportunity to complete team research tasks set out for the interns in the difference departments of the firm, including; Finance, Property, Litigation and Corporate;
  + Learnt how to draft applications to the High Court;
  + Researching databases such as Companies House Beta to assist the associates in their work;
  + Attending court with solicitors;
  + I presented my own presentation to the firm's partners, trainees and associates on a topic I felt passionately about at the end of the internship programme which helped focus and improve my presentation skills and personal development.

**Other Work Experience**

Jan – Sept 2017 – **Menlo Park Hotel, Galway**

The Menlo Park Hotel, being a 4\* establishment, gave me great experience in contemporary fine dining waitressing and dealing with large groups of customers. I believe my attention to detail was truly tested to a high standard whilst working at the Menlo which made the rewards of set up and compliments at service worth while. My professional manner and dedications to providing excellent service to all customers was certainly built during my work here.

**Voluntary Work**

2017 -- Student Connect Mentoring Programme. I voluntary in university with

this programme by mentoring a group of thirty first year law students throughout the year helping them with any issues and informing them of university events.

2016 -- NUIG FLAC Society. I have been an active member of the FLAC

Society at university since the start of my second academic year. I volunteer with the free legal advice clinics that run every two weeks of the academic year for members of the public to seek advice.

2014 – 2015 Habitat for Humanity Charity. I have been fortunate enough to travel

to Malawi with this charity where my team built two houses over the course of three weeks. I have fundraised with and for this charity and have made an individual fundraising total of €2500.

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**Personal Achievements**

* + I have completed the Hear Me Communication Awareness Training which is about promoting communication awareness in the community from a professional and personal perspective;
  + I have a grade 2 on the Irish Flute;
  + I have been part of the Down Gaelic ladies team where we had Ulster victory and I have also captained my school Camogie team to two Ulster Finals where we won one and lost the other;

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**Interests and Activities**

* + Sports: Regular exercise and social interaction at the gym and gym classes, namely the strength and conditioning classes. I am a keen sports player and have played at different levels over the years in Gaelic, Camogie and Netball, which have all developed my endurance and competitiveness whilst confirming my commitment.
  + Travel: Over the years I have travelled with family and friends to many different countries and continents for periods of time. I love to emerge myself in the different cultures as a sign of respect and adaptation. Travel keeps me observant and open minded to different people and situations as well as new cultures.
  + Cooking: I enjoy cooking and trying new recipes. This is a great way to learn new skills and socialise with friends.

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