

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Highly motivated graduate of law, with excellent communication, teamwork and analytical skills, as well as extensive leadership experience. Seeking work in a challenging and client-focused legal role.

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4. (2013 – 2018)

- BCL Law with Philosophy. First class honours. Grade Point Average of 3.7.
- Recipient of the UCD President's award 2018.
- Awarded a full scholarship to attend the Fordham University Summer Programme 2017, studying human rights and alternative dispute resolution. Achieved a first class honours result.

Castleknock Community College, Diswellstown Road. (2007 – 2013)

- Achieved 535 CAO points in the Leaving Certificate
- Received the College Academic Excellence Award 2013.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kialo Inc. (July 2017 – Present)

Researcher & Editor

- Researching and writing arguments on a range of topics, supported by academic literature, for Kialo's online platform for reasoned and researched discussion.
- Evaluating and editing the input of newer contributors: proof reading, analysing, fact checking and developing arguments made.

Maples and Calder (June 2018)

Legal Intern – Tax Department

- Conducted research (consulting case-law, legislation and text books). For example, I was asked to answer a client query regarding double taxation between Ireland and the UK.
- Summarised regulatory developments, and prepared a summary of the ECJ's stance on whether foreign controlled companies, set up for tax reasons, are to be considered genuine economic activity.
- Attended and took minutes for various internal and client meetings.
- Prepared a presentation on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting, and the OECD response.

University College Dublin (September 2017 – September 2018)

Debate Coach

- Coordinated training for seventy competitive debaters in UCD.
- Prepared a year-long syllabus, taught weekly debate classes, and provided individualised coaching.
- Oversaw a range of events from internal competitions to international inter-varsity championships.

UCD Law Society (March 2016 – March 2017)

Auditor (Sabbatical Role as President)

- Managed the society of 4,500 members, over half of whom came from faculties outside of Law.
- Coordinated the committee of 30 volunteer students.
- Handled an annual turnover exceeded €140,000. Increased membership by over 30%, and negotiated a 15% increase in sponsorship from multiple leading firms.
- Introduced three times more careers and social events as well as maintaining all previous events.

FCR Media

(October 2014 – January 2016)

Telesales Representative

- Sourced new customers and advised potential clients on a range of Search Engine Optimisation and Google Ad Word services.
- Promoted to position of Telesales Representative and selected to join the team that launched the online product “Snap-Sync” into the Irish market.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND INTERESTS

Debating

- Debating has been one of my primary hobbies since before University. As well as winning five international intervarsity competitions, my achievements include:
 - Winner of the Irish Times National Debating Competition 2018.
 - Quarter-finalist of the World University Debating Championship 2017.
 - Winner of the Irish, and international Mace Competitions 2016.
 - Finalist of the European University Debating Championship 2015.
- Organised national and international debating competitions. Each catered to over 300 participants.
- Coached debate camp in summer 2014, in Jerusalem, Israel.
- Volunteering currently as coach to the Irish World Schools Debate Team. Responsible for coaching and accompanying the team to Sri Lanka for the world championship.

Moot Court & Negotiation

- Semi-finalist of the Cecil Lavery Moot Court Competition 2018, UCD’s senior internal competition.
- Semi semi-finalist of the UCD Student Legal Services Negotiation competition 2017.
- UCD Law Society Moot Court Convenor 2015.
- Winner of the UCD Vivian Lavan Moot Court competition 2014, UCD’s novice internal competition.
- Recipient of the UCD Law Society Moot Court Novice Gold Medal 2014.

Scouting

- Member of my local scout group from the age of six.
- Appointed Patrol Leader, Chair of the Patrol Leaders Council and Secretary of the Venture Crew.
- Volunteering currently as an adult leader, facilitating weekly meetings, and regular hikes and camps.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Justice for Magdalenes

(August 2018 – Present)

- Transcribing and formatting testimony from survivors of the Magdalene Laundries.
- Authentically conveying survivors’ experiences forms part of the charities aim to achieve a state apology and compensation.

Localise Youth Volunteering

(October 2010 – September 2013)

- Provided regular events in coordination with Special Olympics Ireland for members of the community with Down syndrome.
- Raised funds for, and volunteered time towards, a variety of charities such as Dublin 15 Hospice.

REFERENCES

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