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PROFILE

I am currently completing a European Affairs Certificate at the Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po) as part of my degree in Politics and International Relations with History at University College Dublin. I am also presently the Irish representative of Model European Union Strasbourg 2019, which is a European political simulation due to take place next year. I pride myself in having a great work ethic and look forward to new challenges. I believe in the saying "*nothing without effort*" and I always give my best towards the task at hand. My areas of interest vary widely, from my involvement in transport and planning, evident from my work experience history, to political and historical interests, as can be seen in my studies at present.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- Bachelor of Arts International with Specialisations in Politics & International Relations and History at University College Dublin **2016-2020**
 - Certificate of European Affairs at Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po) **2018-2019**
 - French (Four modules at B1 Level at UCD and a B1 Level Course at Sciences Po) **January 2019**
 - Leaving Certificate Results - 440 CAO Points - **2016**
 - European Computer Driving Licence (E.C.D.L.) – **2016**
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CAREER HISTORY

Work Experience, Íarnród Éireann, CCE Technical Dept - 2012 November

- Recorded track analysis reports onto spreadsheets which featured data that I observed being collected on the Track Recording Vehicle (T.R.V.) This was essential in providing a reliable reference to other civil engineers.

Work Experience, National Transport Authority, Planning Dept - 2014 February

- Compiled a preliminary report on a proposed cycle lane between Booterstown and Dublin City Centre, featuring potential hazards and obstacles that would have to be overcome during its development. (reference National Cycle Plan)
- Observed the first stages of the Luas Cross City Project

Superintendent's Attendant, Leaving Certificate - June 2015

- Assisted a State Examinations Commission Superintendent in the running of the Leaving Certificate examinations.

Sales Assistant, Dunnes Stores - August 2016 – August 2018

- Worked as a Sales Assistant in Dunnes Stores, Cornelscourt for two years. My duties there entailed customer service, stock control, conducting daily store orders in conjunction with the manager and the upkeep of store appearance and hygiene to HACCP standards.
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ACHIEVEMENTS

Minister for the Kingdom of the Netherlands at Model European Union Strasbourg 2018:

- Represented the Netherlands in a simulation of the European legislative and political process in the European Parliament in Strasbourg. This involved reading, debating and amending two pieces of European legislation over the course of one week.

Country Liaison Officer for Ireland at Model European Union Strasbourg 2019:

- Currently the Irish representative for MEUS 2019. In this capacity I am engaged in fundraising activities with MEPs, as well as universities across Ireland to garner support and participants from Ireland for the political simulation.

Represented the Republic of Ireland whilst addressing 720 European delegates in the European Parliament in Strasbourg, France. – March 2015

Delegate of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg at a Model European Council debate at Dublin Castle – April 2016

Vice-President of the U.C.D. Section of the Erasmus Student Network 2017-2018:

- Represented Ireland and U.C.D. at the Western European Platform in Munich, Germany.
- Organised various trips and events for Erasmus students arriving in Dublin.

Chief Editor of the Clonkeen College Yearbook Committee 2016:

- Led a committee which ensured that the Yearbook was free from errors and made corrections accordingly

Vice Chairperson of Clonkeen College Student Council 2015 - 2016:

- Succeeded in making Clonkeen College Student Council a member of the I.S.S.U. (Irish Second-Level Students Union).
- Made adjustments and reforms to the Clonkeen College Code of Behaviour and various other school policies.
- Led a subcommittee which made significant amendments to the Student Council Constitution.

Member of An Coiste Gaelbhrtach 2015 - 2016:

- Encouraged the use of the Irish language throughout Clonkeen College and consequently earned a flag for the school for this achievement.
- Hosted a radio programme on RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta, called "*Guth na gCeannairí*" which commemorated the 1916 Rising in Ireland through the Irish language.

Certificate of Excellence and Attendance from Clonkeen College; 6 years.

Leadership Award from Clonkeen College; 4th, 5th and 6th Year.

INTERESTS

Secretary of 10th Dublin Kiltarnan Ventures 2014 - 2016:

- Completed Sionnach Adventure twice.
- Won Three Rock County Cup in 2012
- Organised two group trips; to Utah, U.S.A. and Interrailing across Europe for twenty people.

References available upon request.