Curriculum vitae: Eva Lindsay.

Summary:

Trinity College law student with a great work ethic, initiative and interest in a career in commercial law. I have built up a number of skills both as an employee and as a volunteer.

Education:

University: Trinity College Dublin.

Second Year Results:

Land Law: 62

Administrative Law: 59

Equity: 58

Private Law Remedies: 64 Constitutional Law II: 61 European Union Law: 53 Overall Grade: II-1 (60)

First Year Results:

Tort Law: 66

Irish Legal Systems: 57 Contract Law: 40

Constitutional Law 1: 54 Legislation and Regulation: 57

Criminal Law: 53 Overall Grade: II-2 (55)

Work Experience:

Centra: Deli Assistant: 2011-Present.

I have been working part-time in my local Centra for the past four and a half years. I have been able to balance working and commuting every weekend to Mayo to keep up with my studies. This job involves balancing customer service while maintaining health and safety standards. My duties include operating cash register, maintaining courteous and friendly attitude toward customers and answering the phone and taking orders for particular requested items. I also completed a HACCP course to ensure that I was trained to the highest standard within my job. I have a number of responsibilities as an employee in Centra. I have to work as part of a team, maintain records of tractability and use by dates and maintain health and safety standards while serving customers.

Here2Help: August 2015- September 2015.

I worked as a Here2Help mentor for two months in 2015. This job focused on providing undergraduate and postgraduate students coming to Trinity with any assistance they needed around campus and to assist with any questions or queries they had.

I was also placed in academic registry. Due to the high pressure and speed of academic registry it gave me great experience in dealing with pressure and stressed out people looking for assistance which has been very beneficial in many aspects of my life since.

Childminder: December 2006- present.

I have worked as a childminder since the age of eleven. I have always wanted to work and earn my own money and so I put up posters in my local shop advertising my services and took a First Aid Course in order to ensure that while in a position of responsibility of my employers children, that I was capable of dealing with minor health risks. I picked up many jobs and was hired most weekends due to my flexibility, kind nature and professionalism. Being employed as a childminder from a young age gave me both the drive and maturity I have today which has been invaluable.

Achievements and Interests:

TAP: Coming from a disadvantaged background and area in Co. Mayo, I attended a DEIS school. TAP gave me the opportunity to study at my first choice university and also has given me invaluable financial assistance throughout my college career. I try and balance both work and university in order to successfully maintain my studies and finances.

I was awarded the TAP Pathways to Law Scholarship. This is an amazing asset as it includes a series of career enhancing workshops and seminars with personnel from across the legal arena, aimed at assisting me in developing my legal skills.

FLAC: I also have an interest in social justice and the human rights aspect of law and I wanted to have the opportunity to receive first-hand knowledge and experience in these sectors of the law. I had a variety of experience working with disadvantaged people, both on a legal and financial level and definitely believe that being part of FLAC was an ideal way to pursue justice, and campaign for Human Rights issues relevant to those people. I was elected an OCM this year and have since then been involved in the organising and participation of many events including a panel discussion on the current refugee crisis and also organised a sleepout to fundraise and highlight the current homelessness issue in Ireland.

IASE: While in secondary school I was heavily involved with the IASE, which is the Irish Association of Supported Employment. While working with the IASE we successfully managed to obtain three stable jobs for job seekers in the programme and also publicise the importance of equal employment opportunities for everyone to a number of local businesses, which have since changed their recruitment methods and customised their work places in order to allow for equal employment. My experience with the IASE was definitely very rewarding, educating and something I am extremely proud of. I feel very strongly that all people should have an equal opportunity for employment, regardless of their backgrounds or disabilities.

SAOL: I volunteer with this amazing organisation when possible. SAOL is a unified programme of education, rehabilitation, advocacy and childcare for woman living with addiction and poverty. Its on-going commitment to the women, children and community members of the North Inner City continues to develop, responding to the changing needs of the women who participate in the project with creativity and commitment. I learn so much from both the workers and the woman who benefit from the project and have seen many of them change their lives for the better which has been such an amazing, unique and educating experience.

SMF: I have also been involved with Trinity student managed fund, working briefly as a financial analyst. I regularly attend events led by leading commercial firms such as Deloitte, Goldman Sachs and Davy Stockbrokers. I attend these events to broaden my knowledge, learning about the commercial and business world and not just confine myself to my legal studies.

Finally, I have also been involved in a number of other voluntary roles. I was the u-11 trainer for my local club, I volunteer annually with daffodil day and have also helped organise a hugely successful fundraising event for them and I have also been a volunteer in a tuition program for secondary school students, giving them extra help and tuition coming up to exams.

Skills Profile:

I have built up a large variety of skills throughout my career due to the diverse voluntary and work experience I have undertaken.

These include:

Commercial awareness: Working in a retail outlet for the past four and a half years has allowed me to become receptive of retailers wants quite quickly. Knowing the market and customers is extremely important in any organisation and I feel that this is a great skill to have.

Communication: I have built up extremely impressive and valuable verbal and listening skills. In all my terms of employment I have had to listen and speak clearly and effectively in order to succeed. I have had to delegate, resolve any issues or conflict that may occur and remain calm and collected which I have achieved successfully.

Teamwork: This is a vital skill when working in a large firm and I feel that my teamwork skills are up to the standard needed. In addition to being part of a variety of team sports including both GAA and soccer, I have developed strong teamwork skills as a volunteer as an u-11 trainer, implementing working as part of a team to the children and as a result realise the vital importance of working as part of a team. During my time as a volunteer with SAOL and the IASE teamwork was vital for success. Finally. As an OCM on the FLAC committee I have to work with the other committee members to run successful events and campaigns.

Negotiation and persuasion: I have discussed how I have successfully worked as part of a team which has developed my negotiation and persuasive skills. I am able to put forward my opinion, but also am able to understand where the other person is coming from so that we can all get what we want or need and feel positive about it. This is a valuable skill when working with other people with strong opinions.

Problem solving: I feel that I have developed very good problem solving skills due to my diverse and broad work experience. Everyday a problem can arise that needs to be dealt with efficiently and quickly and I think I have the capability to achieve this. I have taken my own initiative in many situations and have solved problems that have arisen within the workplace.

Loyalty: It is clear to see from my employment history that I am an extremely loyal employee. I have maintained my job in Centra, despite the four hour bus journey, each way, every weekend. I am a valued member of staff in all my terms if employment. I think that loyalty is a very important skill which I definitely display.

Perseverance, Motivation and Ability to work under pressure: I think it's clear that I am extremely self-motivated and will persevere despite the difficulty of any situation put before me. I am well able to work under pressure due to my time as a deli assistant, when a number of tasks and customers must be served and completed and my time in academic registry with Here2Help has strengthened these skills.

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