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OBJECTIVE

I am seeking a position as a trainee for a law firm as I wish to pursue a career as a solicitor.

EDUCATION

Law and German (Undergraduate) • Trinity College Dublin • September 2017 – Present

- Currently in final year
- Third Year Exams: First-class honours
- First & Second Year Exams: Second-class honours. Irish law modules covered: Constitutional Law, Contract Law, Torts, Criminal Law, Equity, Land Law, Private Law Remedies
- Ranked 3rd of 17 in both First and Second Year
- Trinity Exhibition Awardee for excellent Leaving Certificate results

Erasmus year abroad • Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg • September 2019 – July 2020

- Completed Erasmus at ALU Freiburg, Germany. All modules and dissertation completed entirely through German
- Modules covered: Constitutional Law, European Law, Public International Law, Civil Law, Criminology, German Criminal Procedural Law, Protection of Fundamental Rights in Europe
- Grade achieved: 1.1

Secondary School • Muckross Park College, Donnybrook • 2011 - 2017

- Leaving Certificate: 578 points, all subjects Higher level
- H1- English, German, Irish, H2-History, Biology, Music, H3-Maths

SKILLS

- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal
- Written and conversational German at C1 level (advanced)
- Hard working and meticulous attention to detail
- Experienced and confident public speaker
- Ability to work as a leader among peers
- Extensive experience in customer service and dealing with people
- Team player
- ECDL Computer Certificate

EXPERIENCE

- **Secretary, TCD Germanic Society:** Elected for 2020/21 academic year. This position involves managing all society correspondence, taking minutes at meetings and general organisation of society events. I also manage the database and mailing list for the 280 members.
- **Class Representative:** Elected representative 2018 - 2020. This involved organising events, communicating with students and representing their interests to College authorities. Successfully negotiated with the heads of the Trinity College Law School regarding a proposed module change of particular concern to the students.
- **Waitress Supervisor:** As a part-time job during college, I worked as a waitress in Dublin, Hamburg and Vancouver restaurants. This involved hard work in what is often a stressful environment. It also greatly improved my interpersonal skills and my ability to work as part of a team. My main position was in TGI Friday's, St. Stephen's Green, where I was promoted to supervisor after my first year.
- **Foreign Language Theatre Coordinator:** Actively involved in the performance and running of Trinity's Germanic Department theatre production in Dublin and Vienna in 2018.
- **Student2Student Mentor:** Part of a team helping incoming First Years settle into university both academically and socially during the 2017/18 academic year.
- **School Involvement:** In Sixth Year I was chosen to be a prefect responsible for one Second Year class group. I captained the German debate team, was editor of the School Yearbook and captained my hockey team.

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

- Extensive experience with drama in school and college. Spent many years acting in Betty Ann Norton Theatre School productions. Achieved Grade 8 Trinity Guildhall Speech and Drama.
- Interest in debating and public speaking. Took part in Colours debates in college and debating competitions in school. Achieved the highest grade in my class (77%) for our mooted assignment in the Private Law Remedies module.
- Enjoy music of all kinds and play the flute, attaining Trinity Guildhall Grade 8. Was chosen to open Feis Ceoil concert on stage in the National Concert Hall with flute ensemble of four.
- Like to stay fit. Go to the gym as often as possible and regularly go on walks.

REFEREES

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