



EDUCATION

Law (BCL), 2014 – University College Dublin - GPA 2:1

Leaving Certificate, 2010 – Yeats College - 500 points

FURTHER EDUCATION

Accredited Product Advisor in Housing Loans, Home Reversion Agreements and Associated Insurances, Consumer Credit Agreements and Associated Insurances and Savings and Investments

Professional Certificate in Financial Advice, Institute of Bankers, 2015.

Certificate in Global Issues, Suas Education Development, 2011. Syllabus covered political, social, cultural, economic and environmental topics.

MOOTING

Represented UCD at the McCann Fitzgerald The Advocate Business Law Challenge Quarter Final (2012). Through meticulous research, the self-development of my advocacy skills and effective collaboration we progressed through three rounds which took place over a number of months. We were one of 16 quarter-finalists from 400 entries.

Through this success I gained a place in an Advanced Mooting module. The class of 12 then partook in an internal mooting competition which led to being selected to represent UCD Law School at an international level in the ELSA Moot Court Competition and competed in the Quarter Finals at European Regional Round in Prague in March (2014).

I continued to pursue mooting in order to develop my advocacy and public speaking skills, by taking an Advocacy and Mooting module and represented UCD in the DCU National Moot Competition 2014.

MENTORING

Peer Mentor to 1st year law students.

Student Legal Advisor with the UCD Student Legal Service.

Member of the UCD International Buddy Programme, assisting incoming international students.

EMPLOYMENT

CREDIT ANALYST, AIB FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP – JULY 2014-PRESENT

SME account management of an arrears lending portfolio, includes restructures, account termination and liaising with the Litigation Management Team.

This role requires an in-depth knowledge of local market forces and industry trends when negotiating with customers.

Identified a systematic overcharging of a financial product which resulted in taking a leading role in the ensuing project to repair the error and pay restitution to those affected. Required initiative and strong decision making skills, as a result of my performance and integrity I was promoted to a higher level team.

Leadership role in training graduate entrants. Developing training exercises while adapting to individuals different capabilities and experiences.

Nominated for AIB Recognition Programme for Outstanding Performers in FSG in Q1 & Q2 2015.

ASSISTANT PROJECT MANAGER IN EVENTS AND CAMPAIGNS - 1913 LOCKOUT CAMPAIGN, IRISH CONGRESS OF TRADE UNIONS – JULY 2013-SEPTEMBER 2013

Organised two presidential events; President Higgins' Garden Party and a State Commemoration.

Took the initiative to have many of the campaign paraphernalia and commemorative awards redesigned and manufactured to match a higher standard. As a consequence I was given the lead in all design aspects of the campaign.

A significant contribution to the organisation was to systematise a number of databases that Congress now relies upon.

LEGAL INTERNSHIP, IRISH CONGRESS OF TRADE UNIONS – JUNE 2013

Produced numerous reports pertinent to the entire organisation, the most significant report identified the collective-action procedure for Congress and its members, principally regarding the current calls for Israeli boycott.

Research required clear and persuasive communication when conducting interviews and forging business relationships with senior officials of other organisations.

Assuming leadership responsibilities was essential from the outset, as my supervisor was working overseas for the duration of the internship and relied on me to fulfil many of her day-to-day responsibilities including; fielding queries on employment law and legal strategy while representing the Legal Affairs department. This responsibility required effective collaboration, succinct communication and a willingness to rely on my own initiative to effectively address unfamiliar problems.

WAITRESS, DAVIS'S RESTAURANT – JUNE 2012-APRIL 2013

Developed interpersonal skills through effective communication in a high pressure environment, in a restaurant that would regularly serve several hundred people per day.

Working well within a team was imperative to success in such an atmosphere. Effective teamwork included taking delegation well, assisting others and accepting responsibilities such as balancing the till at the end of the night.

Fundamentally a good work ethic and strong communication skills were essential to cope under pressure while also developing my customer service skills.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE, SALES AND MARKETING, FLAWLESS MARKETING – JUNE 2011-AUGUST 2011

Trained in direct sales and sales systems and achieved substantial experience in delivering oral presentations, fostering my sales and client management skills.

Teamwork was a central component of this role as we developed sales strategies as part of a group. My personal impact on the company included increasing sales, boosting recruitment and developing sales strategies.

This commission-based role educated me in setting and surpassing daily and weekly targets, and gave me the confidence to rely on my own initiative. A personal drive to excel was necessary for a role in which days were often over 15 hours.

LEGAL INTERNSHIP, MCDERMOTT, CREED & MARTYN SOLICITORS - JULY 2011

Shadowed each of the partners from the firm which allowed me to work on a variety of cases which included family law, personal injury and conveyancing.

Undertook responsibility in research for cases, which allowed me to work effectively as part of a team of both trainees and partners, and further hone my time-management skills while multi-tasking on numerous cases.

HOBBIES

I am passionate about sailing, I enjoy working in a small team, focusing on hitting our targets while battling the elements. I began sailing as a child when I attained my Irish Sailing Association Advanced Boat Handling qualifications and progressed to teaching young children both in English and Irish. This leadership role at a young age honed my leadership and adaptability skills by respecting children's different levels and abilities. I recently attained a level 2 qualification from the Royal Yachting Association.

I also play golf, I've competed since a young age and continue to play when I am visiting home in Rosses Point, Co. Sligo.

SKILLS

Strong computer literacy including basic HTML coding.

Competent in finding, evaluating, using and managing information in a range of formats following an elective module in Advanced Information Skills at UCD.

Received web management training as part of my role with ICTU.