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**Education**

**2015 – Present University College Dublin**

BCL Law with French Law

Average GPA: 3.58

Dissertation: ‘A comparative analysis of constitutional amendment procedures in France and Ireland’ (in French)

**2017 – 2018 Aix-Marseille Université, Aix-en-Provence, France**

One-year Erasmus+ exchange studying French law and political science modules through French.

**2010 – 2015 Down High School, Downpatrick, Co. Down**

A-Level: English Literature (A\*), French (A\*), Mathematics (A)

AS-Level: History (A)

GCSE: 8A\* 2A

**Professional work experience**

**2018 (August) Almac Group,** Corporate & Legal Affairs Work Experience

Almac Group is a pharmaceutical company headquartered in Craigavon, Co. Armagh. Completed two weeks’ work experience in August 2018, and one week in August 2016.

• Drafted contractual agreements;

• Completed research and wrote reports on market issues;

• Worked in a team of three analysing case law and legislation, as well as taking business practice into account, in order to provide accurate advice to the company secretary and counsel;

• Presented work to senior counsel;

• Developed commercial awareness in the general course of work.

**2018 (June – August) KPMG Ireland**, Summer Intern

Ten-week internship in KPMG’s Consumer and Industrial Markets tax group.

• Completed research and report-writing on matters of tax law;

• Drafted emails to clients and Revenue, developing a mature business writing style;

• Carried out tax compliance and risk-management;

• Managed my own workload as I received work from multiple managers;

• Worked with small groups on advisory projects.

**Additional experience**

**2013 – Present Diocese of Down & Connor,** Lourdes Youth Team

Every summer since 2013 I have volunteered as a member (and, later, team leader) on the youth team of the Diocese of Down and Connor's annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. I received an award in 2017 for five years' service to the pilgrimage. As a leader (from 2015 onwards) I have led a sub-team of 10 people aged 16-24.

• Fostered an environment of teamwork and cohesion among the sub-team;

• Organised the team for meetings and when to bring pilgrims to services;

• Co-ordinated fundraising efforts during the year;

• Facilitated team-wide teambuilding activities;

• Instilled a positive and empathetic attitude in team members.

**2017 (January – May) UCD Foundation**, Fundraising Caller

Part-time position at the UCD Foundation, calling alumni to raise funds for UCD's Access scholarships for underprivileged students.

 • Worked towards targets each shift, improving my ability to work under pressure (as we were warned that under-performers would be dismissed);

• Used a courteous and professional tone;

• Generated positive morale for the team;

• Built a rapport with the alum in order to encourage them to donate;

• Treated financial information in an appropriate and confidential manner;

• Responded positively to failure, as many calls ended with the alum not wanting to donate.

**Additional skills**

**Languages** French (CEFR Level C1)

**IT** Confident using Microsoft applications (Word, Excel, Outlook and PowerPoint).

Experienced in using AlphaTax and ROS.

**Extra-curricular interests and achievements**

* UCD Student Legal Service Negotiation Competition – competitor in first (reaching quarter-finals) and second years; judge in final year.
* Volunteering in Lourdes, France annually since 2013;
* Member of UCD Applied Languages Staff-Student Forum (representing Italian students and influencing language provision in UCD);
* Elected to UCD French Society Committee as Debates Convenor for academic year 2016/17, during which I planned debates training and organised a ‘colours’ debate with Trinity, and co-organised the inaugural French Debating Inter-Varsity Competition in March 2017.