**Laura McGrath**

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**Education**

**Present: LLB Degree - University College Cork**

* Currently completing a postgraduate law degree at UCC. Beginning in September 2017 and finishing in May 2019.

**2014 – 2017: University College Cork** - Film and Screen Media (BA)

**2009 – 2014:** Presentation Secondary School, Thurles Co. Tipperary – Leaving Certificate

* Achieved **540 CAO points** in the Leaving Certificate, with A grades in French (A2), English (A2), Home Economics (A1), and History(A2).

**Legal Experience**

**July 2018 - Ronan Daly Jermyn - Legal Intern**

* Gained the opportunity to see day-to-day activities of a corporate law firm
* Took an active role researching legal issues and contributing articles to the firms online blog
* Participated in the firms client consultation programme
* Aided trainees and solicitors in research for advising clients
* Further strengthened my interest in the legal profession and desire to work in a corporate law.

**Other Work Experience**

 **May- September 2016/17: New York Yacht Club, Newport, RI**

* Spent two summers working as front of house staff and in special events at this prestigious club
* Role included waitressing, hosting and attending to specific needs of the private members during their stay
* Trained in of new staff and held other positions of responsibility due to seniority
* Attention to detail and the promotion of team-work was crucial, given the high standard of service expected.

**May 2018-July 2018: Electric Bar and Restaurant, Cork**

* Role included both bartending and waitressing
* Developed customer service skills and interpersonal relationships
* Worked as part of a team.

**September 2017 – May 2018: Brown Thomas, Cork**

* Joined the sales team of ‘The Kooples’ a luxury French clothing brand
* Effectively communicated with and persuaded customers in the sale of luxury items
* Completed administrative work such as recording daily sales figures and drafting emails to international management
* Learned how best to work under pressure to achieve a particular goal such as sales targets, through teamwork and dedication.

**October 2016 - January 2017 - The Kilkenny Shop, Cork**

* Joined the sales team during their busy periods in the run up to Christmas
* Engaged with and assisted customers in purchasing luxury goods
* Developed interpersonal skills and customer service skills
* Provided recommendations based on customer inquiries
* Received regular deliveries and monitored stock levels and demand.
* Operated the point of sale.

**Voluntary & Society Experience**

**MS Ireland(Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland)**

* Active member of MS Ireland
* Partake in fundraising and awareness campaigns in my locality
* Organised my own fundraising event in my locality in 2014 as well as a huge involvement in other events taking place in my community
* Learned valuable lessons in leadership and cooperation during the organisation of my event which had a turnout of 400 people and raised over 10k.

**UCC Journalism Society**

* Attend regular meetings and events of the UCC Journalism Society
* Personal writing and current affair articles featured in the student newspaper, the UCC Express and in UCC’s Motley magazine.

**UCC Surf Club**

* Participate in club events and organisation of meetings
* Aiding with the transport of gear and equipment
* Travel around Ireland attending surf trips and intervarsities.

**Interests & Achievements**

* **Languages:** Studied French in secondary school and university. Have maintained an advanced writing ability and an intermediate spoken level.
* **Music:** Completed up to and including Grade 7 in piano. Member of my local drama group 2009-2015.
* **Writing:** Enjoy writing opinion pieces on current affairs and having them published in various university publications.
* **Sport:** I run and swim regularly to maintain a level of physical fitness.
* **IT:** I have a passion for computers and technology, with an ability to type up to 75 words per minute and competency using Microsoft Office applications.

**References**

Available on request.