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 Liam O’Driscoll

Curriculum Vitae

*Student*

*University College Cork*

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**Personal statement**

As a law student in University College Cork, an Editorial Board member at the Cork Online Law Review and volunteer and Director of Foróige, I am a driven, committed, and passionate individual. My functional experience principally relates to project management, team leadership, research, strategic planning, and communications. I love to travel and during the summer of 2018, I took part in the U.S. State Department’s Study of the U.S. Institutes program, where I undertook several service activities and studied politics and civic engagement for 5 weeks in the University of South Carolina. I am currently on an Erasmus semester at the University of Helsinki in Finland. In addition to my passion for travelling, I have a keen interest in academic writing and have been published in both the University College Dublin Law Review and the Kings Inns Law Review.

**Education**

* Bachelor of Civil Law (International), University College Cork (2016 – 2020).

First Year Overall Result: Upper Second-Class Honours

Second Year Overall Result: Upper Second-Class Honours

* Erasmus Semester, University of Helsinki (Jan 2019 – May 2019).
* Study of the U.S. Institutes program, University of South Carolina (Summer 2018).
* Leaving Certificate, Hamilton High School, Bandon, Co. Cork (2010 – 2016).

Points Total: 515

* Foundation Certificate (NFQ Level 6) in Youth Leadership and Community Action, National University of Ireland, Galway (2015).

Result: First Class Honours

**Work Experience**

* Office Assistant & Receptionist, Carbery Group, Co. Cork (May 2017 – Dec 2018).
* Factory Operator, Bandon Vale Fine Cheeses, Laragh Industrial Estate, Bandon, Co. Cork (Summer 2015).
* Transition Year Work Experience, Office Assistant, Carbery Group, Co. Cork (December 2013 and May 2014).

**Voluntary Experience**

* Case Notes Editor of the Cork Online Law Review (Oct 2018 - Present).
* Chairperson, Governance and Nominations Committee, Foróige Board (May 2017 – Present).
* Member of the Board of Directors of Foróige (Apr 2015 – Apr 2016) (May 2017 – Present).
* Member of the U.S. Embassy (Dublin) Youth Council (Jan 2017 – Jan 2019).
* Member of the Editorial Board of the Cork Online Law Review (Oct 2016 – Present).
* Youth Delegate to the Congress of the Council of Europe (Feb 2017 – Dec 2017).
* Youth Participant at the World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg (Nov 2015 and 2016).
* Chairperson of Ballineen Foróige Club (Sept 2011 – May 2014).
* Chief Editor Hamilton High School’s annual magazine, *Forthright* (Sept 2013 – Dec 2013).

**Achievements**

* Published an article in the 8th Edition of the Kings Inns Law Review entitled, “Kerins v McGuinness & Ors – Oireachtas Inquiries and the Protection of Constitutional Rights: Striking the Right Balance”.
* Published an article in the 18th Edition of the University College Dublin Law Review entitled, “Voluntary Patients under the Mental Health 2001: Inadequate Protection and Delayed Reform”.
* Class Valedictorian, Hamilton High School Graduation Ceremony (May 2016).
* National Winner of the Central Statistics Office, John Hooper Medal for Statistics 2014 for a group project on lowering the voting age to 16.
* In January 2015, I took part in Rotary Ireland’s Youth Leadership Development Competition, where I debated in the European Parliament in Strasbourg as part of Euroscola.
* *Highly-Commended* award at the 2014 BT Young Scientist and Technology Exhibition for a group project on lowering the voting age to 16.

**Skills and Abilities**

* Team work
* Communication
* Problem solving
* Legal research and writing
* Critical thinking
* Time management

**References**

* Hazel Duggan – Office Manager – Carbery Group, Ballineen, Co. Cork – (023) 8822200.
* Liam Kenny – Irish Association of Local Government - Secretary to the Irish delegation of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe – (01) 6106100.