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**EDUCATION**

*Maynooth University, NUI, 4th Year LL.B. Candidate* 2013 – 2017

Third Year: Second Class Honours (2.1)

Criminal Law II 72% Equity & Trusts I 61%

Land Law I 65% Equity & Trusts II 51%

Land Law II 73% Jurisprudence I 70%

Dispute Resolution 70% Jurisprudence II 68%

Moot Court 67% International Law 64%

Second Year: Second Class Honours (2.1)

 Criminal Law I 64% Legal Skills 72%

 EU Law I 66% Constitutional Law I 51%

 EU Law II 65% Constitutional Law II 60%

 Evidence 43% Administrative Law 68%

 Legal Writing 69% Legal Systems 63%

First Year: Second Class Honours (2.1)

 Company Law I 67% Contract Law I 40% Law of Torts I 62% Practising History I 66%

 World of the Vikings 65% Practising History II 70%

 History through Film 68% Political Institutions 59%

 Modern Irish Society 71% Thinking Sociologically72%

**Leaving Certificate**

*Castleknock Community College 2007 – 2013*

*History B2, Mathematics B2, Spanish C2, English B2, Irish B3, Biology C1, Agricultural Science C2.*

**AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

* Third Place in the Irish Tax Institutes Fantasy Budget 2017.
* Gaisce Bronze Award – 2014.
* Content Editor – *The Golden Thread*.
* Senior Mentor – *Castleknock Community College.*
* Spirit of the College Award – *Castleknock Community College.*
* Completion of FLAC Training – *NUIM, 2014.*
* Public Relations Officer – *Maynooth Law Society, 2016/2017.*
* Completed an ECDL course in Microsoft Office.

**INTERESTS**

* Competing alongside my peers in the Fantasy Budget and Moot Court competitions.
* Participating in sports at a local level.
* Volunteering at the local community centre and the Irish Cancer Society, Phibsborough.
* Active member of Maynooth Law Society and FLAC MU.
* Travelling, studying different cultures and learning new languages.

Sports: I enjoy rugby, swimming and playing football. I also have a passion for team sports and I am a member of my local football team. I regularly organise football matches for teenagers at our local sports centre and take pride in my organising of activities for local youths. I have also participated on a competitive level on numerous occasions.

Languages: I am enthusiastic about learning new languages. I am proficient in Spanish and I am in the process of learning French. After I finish my degree I intend to further my understanding of both languages.

History: I am passionate about history as I am a firm believer that we can learn a great deal about ourselves and where we are going by examining the past. I am fascinated by historical figures and I enjoy researching leading lights in European, Global and Irish history from the medieval era up to the present day. This can be seen by the fact History was part of my collegiate studies until the end of my first year.

Travel: I have travelled at length within Ireland, as well as visited a number of continents including Europe, North America and Australia. I have found that travel has trained me to adapt, observe and keep an open mind in regard to the diversity of cultures and situations seen in everyday life within Ireland’s ever changing and evolving society.

**Work Experience**

*Customer Services, Kenna’s Centra* Ongoing

I currently work for Centra in a part-time customer services role on the weekends and festive periods. I thoroughly enjoy my client facing role and the responsibilities bestowed upon me. I particularly enjoy interacting with customers, dealing with their queries, and handling complaints or issues. During my time at Centra I have continuously enhanced my core client skills, honed my efficiency skills, built upon my team working abilities, while remaining a consummate professional. The experience of working in such an environment has also enabled me to adapt to a multitude of different situations and to learn to think on my feet due to the nature of working with and serving a diverse range of people.

*Sales Assistant and Fundraiser, Irish Cancer Society Phibsborough* Ongoing

I volunteer with the Irish Cancer Society on a continuing basis as a shop assistant and fundraising strategist. I handle sales alongside other volunteers and assist in stock taking. I have carved out a unique role in relation to stock management and have assisted the shop in becoming more proficient with sales and the handling of donated goods. Further, I have represented the Irish Cancer Society in local fundraisers.

**Society Participation**

*Public Relations Officer, Maynooth Law Society* Ongoing

I am currently the Public Relations Officer of the Law Society, Maynooth University. As Public Relations Officer I handle promotions and the online liaising with members and associates of the Law Society. I also take an active role in the planning, organising, and running of our events which are open to all members of the society and other law students attending Maynooth University and beyond. In addition to this I also co-hosted our Law Career Fair, in early October, where we welcomed a number of law and financial firms from across Ireland to meet our students and provide information about their firms and what their programmes entail. This position has allowed me to gain hands on experience dealing with the public while exposing me to varied areas of law and giving me an understanding into how a committee operates.

**REFERENCES**

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