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A committed and efficient individual actively seeking a legal traineeship. I am a positive person who thrives in an innovative, dynamic, team environment. My strong legal knowledge, in combination with my commercial awareness, strong communication skills and teamworking abilities makes me an ideal candidate for your firm.

Education

University: University College Dublin: *BCL Law with Politics* **2017-Present**

- Relevant Modules: Contract Law, Property Law, Company Law, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, EU Law, Law of Torts, Legal and Professional Skills, Matrimonial Law, Environmental Law, Equity and Trusts, Intellectual Property Law, Mooting and Advocacy.
- GPA: Stage Three: 3.57, Stage Two: 3.45, Stage One: 3.47

Erasmus: Charles University Prague **Feb-May 2020**

Secondary School: St George's School for Girls, Edinburgh, Scotland **2011-2017**

- Scottish Highers: English: A, Geography: A, German: A, History: A, Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies: A
- Scottish Advanced Highers: English: A, Modern Studies (Criminology Course): A

Work Experience

Receptionist - UCD Sport and Fitness, Dublin **Aug 2020 - Present**

- Working closely in a small team to provide strong customer service and satisfaction
- Applying and enforcing Covid-19 adaptations within the UCD Student Centre
- Communicating well with customer and working within a dynamic team to achieve daily goals

Programme Tester - Digiteq Automotive, Prague **Feb 2020 - Present**

- Work closely with an online database and Microsoft Excel to complete tasks
- Communicating issues with Czech colleagues to help to develop online database

Warehouse Operative – Amazon, Dunfermline **May-July 2020**

- Working towards extremely high targets in a high-pressure, fast paced environment to accurately and quickly stow items for customers, to ensure maximum customer satisfaction
- Adapting quickly to new situations and problem solving throughout the day to achieve targets

Childminder – MummyCooks, Dublin **Aug-Dec 2020**

- I childminded 2 sisters under the age of 11 after school, helping them with their homework, taking them to and from after school activities and cooking dinner
- I was responsible for their safety and ensuring all their homework was complete to a high standard

Assistant Producer - Katie Storey Productions, Edinburgh/London **April-Aug 2019**

Worked with 10 separate comedy clients to produce their shows, including, but not limited to the following:

1. Leading a street team to market the 12-separate comedy shows. I created shifts and established and managed the payroll. I strategically planned locations and times for flyer distribution resulting in a number of full capacity audiences for each show
2. Liaising and communicating with venue managers, agents, PR representatives and management companies

Camp Leader and Lead Tutor 2018 & 2019 – Florence Summer Camp, Florence **June 2018/19**

- Led a summer camp teaching Italian children English. Every child left with a certificate for their level of English learnt & 100% of students passed the curriculum

Children's Party Host - RealPartyKids/ClapHandies, Dublin **Sept 2018-May 2019**

- Led children's parties, ensuring high levels of safety and fun, engaging in a range of activities from science experiments to arts and crafts. Worked well within a team to ensure

Marketing & Technical Manager - Interrupt the Routine, London

March-Aug 2018

- I led a street team for marketing the show by creating shifts, strategically planned locations and times for flyer distribution resulting in full capacity for each show
- Managed/created social media content
- Programmed and levelled show sound system to ensure optimal technical performance

Lounge Waitress - The Two Sisters Lounge and Bar, Dublin

Sept-Dec 2017

- Built on my customer service skills, resulting in customer satisfaction
- Worked closely with a team to ensure customer satisfaction and effective service
- Developed my communication skills with my team and customers

University Involvement

UCD Music Society: Auditor/Chairperson

April – Present

I am in an elected position where I manage and lead an 18-person committee, chairing weekly meetings, EGMs and AGMs. I oversee the overall running of the society and I am responsible for ensuring that we are functioning effectively, maintaining our finances and that we are engaging with over 800 members. I am responsible for externally sourcing sponsorship, partnerships and guest speakers and for producing budget proposals and grant applications. Society life has been faced with a unique set of challenges due to Covid-19, and I have worked extremely hard with my committee to transition the society online, facilitating online events, virtual meetings and developing content for our social media platforms.

UCD Music Society: Choir Director

April-Dec 2019

In this elected role, I was responsible for the running and organising of the UCD Contemporary Choir. I chose set pieces for the choir to perform, worked with external companies and venues to organise performance opportunities and I ran bi-weekly rehearsals to teach the materials.

UCD Dramsoc: Director of Trainspotting

Jan-May 2019

I directed an award-winning production of Irvine Welsh's Trainspotting, working closely with a small team of creatives to pull off the highly challenging show. The show over-sold 3 out of 5 nights and made the most profit for a single show in Dramsoc history. Moreover, Trainspotting was nominated to represent UCD at the 2019 Irish Student Drama Awards in Belfast, where the show was nominated in 6 different categories.

UCD Dramsoc: Events Manager

April 2018-April 2019

In this elected role, I was in charge of the planning and execution of all the events for UCD Dramsoc; the most active student drama society in Europe. I ran over 90 events for our 2000+ members, including a full-scale ball, Alumni night and the annual Drama Awards. The key to my committee's success was our excellent team work and collaboration, as we all worked efficiently to strict timeframes, were equally accountable in our roles and trusted to make important decisions on behalf of the society.

UCD Dramsoc: Women's Week Director

Jan-April 2019

In this elected role, I was the director of the Women's Week celebrations, where I organised 12 events, produced 2 full-scale productions and notably hosted Louise Lowe to come into UCD as a guest speaker.

Interests and Hobbies

- **Music Performance:** Cello, Guitar and Vocals
- **Musical Theatre and Drama:** *Anita* in 'West Side Story' 2015, *Wednesday Addams* in 'Addams Family' 2017, *Actor* in '4.48 Psychosis' 2018, *Actor* in 'Memoria Ground' (Smock Alley) 2018, *April* in 'Company' 2019, *Ensemble* in 'Addams Family' 2019
- **Theatre Production:** *Producer* of 'The Important of Being Earnest' & 'History 2387', *Technical Manager* of 'The Gin Chronicles in New York', *Director* of 'Trainspotting', & 'Camp Rock'.
- **Lacrosse:** UCD 1st Lacrosse Team, Thistle Edinburgh Club Team, St George's School for Girls 1st Team
- **Running:** Completed the Together we Run Apart half marathon, and now training with them for their full marathon race.