

## **Owen O’Hanrahan**

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Bachelor of Civil Law graduate (2:1) from NUIG. Current MSc International Law and Business candidate, a degree offered jointly by UCD Sutherland School of Law and Michael Smurfit Graduate School. I’ve gained invaluable experience through placements and internships in the areas of commercial litigation, E.U directives/regulations and corporate compliance. I’m currently studying to undertake four FE1 examinations in October; company law, contract law, E.U. law and criminal law, with an intention to sit my final four exams in March 2020.

Extensive study at masters’ level in the area of financial law and corporate governance with a focus on company borrowing, Irish and European financial regulation and corporate insolvency. Additionally, extremely competent in areas of directors duties/powers, shareholder protection and the transfer of shares.

## EDUCATION

### **UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate School**

**Dublin, Ireland**

MSc International Law and Business - Current GPA – **3.73 (First Class Honours)**

2018-2019

- **Core Modules:** Business Networks & Commercial Transactions.
- **Law Modules:** Corporate Governance & Law of International Finance.
- **Business Modules:** International Strategic Management & Project Management.
- **MSc Project (thesis equivalent):** Completed in partnership with, and under the supervision of Arthur Cox. ‘Social Media Content Moderators: Steps Employers Must Take to Avoid Litigation’.

### **National University of Ireland Galway – Bachelor of Civil Law**

**Galway, Ireland**

Grade – 2:1 (66%)

2015- 2018

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Office of the Attorney General - Internship**

**July 2018**

One of two final year NUIG students awarded this internship based on academic achievement, initiative and career ambition.

- Supervised by Mr. Jonathon Buttimore S.C. - Group of advisory council dealt primarily in the areas of healthcare and banking law.
- Collaborated with a diverse list of solicitors, barristers, government officials, and interest groups.
- Succeeded in meeting all deadlines and progressively increased workload due to time management and organisational skills.
- Demonstrated ability to complete accurate and high-standard work within tight deadlines.
- Gained first-hand experience in the areas of litigation, banking and healthcare law which served to increase my understanding of these topics.

#### **Completed Projects**

- Assisted in the research and presentation of advice relating to the current Risk Equalization Scheme to the CSSO and members of the government.
- Prepared and helped conduct several meetings with the Banking Division of the Department of Finance with regard to the Capital Requirement Regulation and its effect on the Central Bank of Ireland.

### **John F. Martin & Co. Solicitors – Clinical Placement**

**January– April 2018**

Completed this placement as part of Clinical Legal Education, a module offered to final year BCL students with outstanding academic records.

- Achieved a first class honor based on attendance, contribution and reflective essay.
- Roles involved drafting memos, opinions and letters to clients and on their behalf.
- Consistently provided consistent, accurate and client-friendly documents on behalf of named partner.
- Delegated an increasing amount of responsibility throughout placement and worked entirely with the named partner attending court as well as meetings with clients.
- Responsible for scheduling meetings and preparing documents for court which demonstrated time management and organisational skills.

## SKILLS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Legal Research:** Completed and received First & Upper Second Class Honors for projects titled; “Gaps in regulation were the primary cause of the Global Financial Crisis of 2008”, “The new, post-2008, financial regulatory system in Ireland is a dramatic improvement from that which was in place pre-2008” and “An evaluation of the current financial gatekeeping role performed by credit rating agencies”.
- **Business Strategy:** Completed and received First Class Honours for strategic management projects titled; “Vietnam: A Strategic Analysis of a Growing Economy” and “A Strategic Analysis of GrabTaxi”.
- **Financial Regulation:** Extensive knowledge of Irish and European regulatory framework including Central Bank and post-2008 reform in addition to understanding and applying EU Financial Collateral Directive to needs of Irish and Irish based companies.
- **Project Management:** Demonstrated practical abilities alongside academic learnings in the facilitation and development of projects from pre-planning stage to completion.
- **Public Speaking and Presenting:** Completed diverse and challenging presentations in UCD and Smurfit Graduate School which demonstrated excellent preparatory, time management and written/verbal communication skills.
- **IT Skills:** Proficient knowledge of Microsoft Suite and completed every module of the European Computer Driving License.

## ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

- **Music:** Completed all 9 lead electric guitar grades. Completed final grade (Grade 8), in which I received a distinction, simultaneous to leaving cert oral/practical examinations in Music, Irish and German, which was made possible by my determination, application and ability to plan and multi-task my different commitments.
- **Sport:** Lifelong fan of both rugby and football. Competed with club; Garryowen Rugby Club, and school; Ardscoil Ris up to u18 level
- **Reading:** Avid reader interested in world and political history and its application to current foreign relation and globalized macro-economic strategy.
- **Travel:** Travelled Europe, North and Central America, Australia, South-East Asia and Northern Africa which served to improve my abilities to plan, organize and schedule myself as well as communicating with others in a variety of situations and contexts.

**Referees available on request.**