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Education

University of Manchester

2015 - 2019/20

Ph.D in Law (part-time)

My research is concerned primarily with the relationship between

bioethics, law, and synthetic biology. Supervisors Prof. Søren

Holm and Dr. Carolyn Abbot.

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

2016 - 2017

M.Sc Master of Bioethics

Cum laude, took modules focusing on medical ethics and

philosophy.

BPP University

2015 - 2016

Graduate Diploma in Law

English law conversion course; passed all modules (land law,

equity & trusts, and administrative & constitutional law).

Queen Mary University of London

2014 - 2015

LL.M Medical Law

Distinction, graduated first overall in my specialism. Modules taken related to intellectual property of pharmaceuticals, new medical technology and the law, and medical jurisprudence.

Dublin City University

2011 - 2014

BCL Law and Society

Upper Second Class Honours, graduated 16th overall in my class

with a 65% average grade.

Awards / Scholarships

Medical Law Prize, Centre for Commercial Legal Studies, Queen Mary University of London 2015 Awarded to the student with the highest overall mark in the Medical Law LL.M specialism.

Fund Professor Roger Borghgraef Scholarship

2016/17

Scholarship to support the following of the Master of Bioethics at KU Leuven to students who hold First Class Honours (or equivalent) in previous Master level degrees.

Work Experience

Research Assistant, Centre For Biomedical Ethics

Leuven

Oct 2017 - Present

And Law, KU Leuven

Working directly for Prof. Dr. Pascal Borry, I conduct literature reviews for upcoming classes and drafting papers. I have completed translation work from Dutch to English related to research protocols, clinical trials, and ethics approvals. On behalf of the Master of Bioethics programme I have constructed a database of bioethics centres worldwide under Prof. Borry's supervision. I work as a job student with a contract until end May 2018.

Company Director & Secretary, Byrne Consulting Services Limited

Dublin

Feb 2016 - Present

The company offers a range of services to engineering, and health, safety and environmental departments. Having successfully implement a HSE Management System for Novartis International, the company will now begin a contract with Amgen Inc. My role involves management of the company, handling of legal documents, and consulting research.

Volunteer Writer, BioNews / Progress Educational Trust

London

Jan 2015 - Jan 2018

Having completed an internship with BioNews learning skills in writing news articles I am now a volunteer writer. Articles generally focus on areas of reproduction, genetics, law and science, and the relationship between these areas. I have been invited to take part in debates on mitochondrial donation at the UK Houses of Parliament, discussion on Huntington's disease and the future privacy of genetic information. Recently I have published a comment piece, 'The media, synthetic biology and CRISPR - fears vs. reality'.

Legal Assistant, John Gaynor & Company Solicitors

Dublin

Jan 2012 - Feb 2017

I was involved in all aspects of the firm, working as part of the team of solicitors and trainees in drafting documents, attending court, and commenting on case files. The role demanded continual interaction with clients, maintaining good relationships and upholding the professional nature of the firm. I interned with the firm from January 2012 - September 2014 during term and summer vacations. From February 2016 -August 2016 I work as a full-time legal assistant, with a client list which was primarily litigation focused. I also built and managed the firms website, while consulting on marketing, and office IT updates. This is something I have a personal interest in, and was active in this role with the firm from January 2012 until February 2017.

Legal Administration Intern, ding*

Dublin

Nov - Dec 2013

University internship placement. I conducted and presented analytical research reports to in-house counsel and other departments on aspects of intellectual property, commercial, and telecommunications law in Ireland and the United States. Produced executive summaries of contracts, reviewed and proofread documents.

Move Coordinator, Gentle Giant Moving Company

Boston

June - Sept 2013

Worked with two high ranking sales representatives, and high end clients; ensured successful completion of inventories and customer satisfaction before, during and after their move. My role involved constant interaction with customers, ensuring a calm and convenient process to make their move day as easy as possible. Additionally I worked as a mover during the busy season as the company required extra workforce.

Supervisor, National Foods Industry Company Saudi Arabia

Jeddah

June - Aug 2012

Reported to the Health, Safety & Environmental Department. Coordinated onsite assessments for safety audits of sound, fire, and hygiene equipment. Completed offsite logistical projects in relation to product safety. Produced a legal report on labour law in Saudi Arabia.

Publications / Conference Presentations

"Irrational Rationing Rationalised, Access to Highly Expensive Cancer Treatments in England" [2016] 2(1) ELSA Law Review http://files.elsa.org/AA/ELR_2016_no1.pdf.

'The influence of bioethics on policy / regulation development'; Post-Graduate Bioethics Conference, Bristol UK, September 2016.

'Regulation of New Sciences and Technology'; UNESCO 12th World Conference on Bioethics, Medical Ethics, and Health Law, Limassol Cyprus, March 2017.

Languages

English - Mother tongue.

Dutch - Currently B1 level, I aim to be certified B2/C1 in September 2018.

French - Studying to achieve B1 level reading skills by May 2018.

German - A2 level, out of practice but can understand conversationally and for reading general texts.

Extra Curricular

Founder, and public relations officer - DCU Law Society, 2012/13

Semi finalist - DCU National Moot Competition, 2012

Semi finalist - Maynooth Silken Thomas IV Moot Competition, 2013

Winner - DCU Grand Moot Final, 2013

Chairperson - DCU Law Society, 2013/14

Nominee - Arthur Cox Student Life Engagement Award 2013/14

Ambassador - School of Law and Government DCU, 2013/14

Rapporteur - Association for Criminal Justice Research and Development (ACJRD), Oct 2013

Vice President of Marketing - ELSA Ireland National Board, April 2014 - Jan 2015

Writing Scheme Intern - BioNews, Oct 2014 - Jan 2015

Exam Script Viewing Supervisor - University of Manchester, October 2015

Insight Into Law Workshop Presenter - University of Manchester, November 2015, and February 2016

Joos Florquin Summer Course Dutch - ILT Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, 2017.

Teaching Commission Master of Bioethics - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, 2016/17 and 2017/18

References

On request.