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 Enthusiastic, ambitious, and dedicated final year UCD Business and Law student keen to develop a career as a corporate lawyer.

**Education:**

* **2018-Present Bachelor of Business and Law, University College Dublin.**

**First Year: Achieved 2.1 Grade. (GPA 3.67)**

Modules included: **1.**Legal and Professional Skills (A-), **2.**Constitutional Law: Institutional Framework of the Constitution of Ireland (B+), **3.**Contract Law: Vitiating Factors and Remedies (A-), **4.**Contract Formation (B+), **5.**Mathematics For Business (A), **6.**ICT in Business (A-), **7.**Business in Society (A), **8.**Microeconomics for Business (A-), **9.**General Introduction to the Irish Legal System (B),**10.** Data Analysis for Decision Makers (B+), **11.**Inside Organisations (B), **12.**Constitutional Law: Fundamental Rights (B).

**Second year: Achieved 2.1 Grade. ( GPA 3.37)**

Modules included: **1.**Negligence and Related Matters (B+), **2.**EU Constitutional Law (A-), **3.**Nominate Torts (B), **4.**EU Economic Law (B+), **5.**Criminal Offences and Defences (B+), **6.**Business Analytics (B), **7.**Quantitative Methods in Business (B), **8.**Digital Society (B), **9.**Criminal Liability (B), **10.**Financial Accounting 1 (C+) , **11.** Principles of Finance (D+), **12.**Marketing: Firms, Customers and Society (B+).

**Third Year Semester 1: Achieved 1.1 Grade ( GPA 3.70)**

Semester 1 Modules: **1.**Property Law 1 (B+), **2.**Administrative Law Doctrine (B+), **3.**Lawyers Ethics and Legal Practice (B+), **4.**Management Accounting (A-), **5.**Financial Accounting (A-), **6.**Business Strategy (A-).

**Third Year Semester 2 (Bocconi University Milan).**

Modules (4 in total, each marked out of 30): **1.** Introduction to the Legal System (27/30), **2.**Fundamentals of Information Technology Law (28/30), **3.**Sustainable Operations Management (25/30), **4.**International Business and Management (26/30).

\*(Overall Degree Grade is an average of Third Year Semester 1 and Final Year Semester 1 and 2)\*

* **2013-2018** **Leaving certificate at St Joseph’s College (The Bish), Galway**.

Overall Result: 531 points

Subjects included: English (H2), Irish (H2), Maths (H4), History (H2), Business (H2), Geography (H2), Accounting (H2), French (O2 for matriculation purposes).

**Work Experience:**

* July 2021, Work Placement, LK Shields Solicitors LLP, 38 Mount Street Upper, Dublin 2.

Completed a work placement at LK Shields, spending one week in the firm’s Dublin office and the other in the firm’s Galway office. I gained valuable practical legal experience, shadowing and completing tasks for partner-led teams. My first week was primarily spent under the guidance of the firm’s Banking partner. I became accustomed with some of the ins and outs of banking law, reading through draft loan documents for example and helping to rectify any errors in these. Later, I was exposed to the area of Commercial Property, under the guidance of one of the firm’s Property partners and learned about the procedures in dealing with both sales and leases, particularly the standard title documents that are assembled for a client in preparing for either. I also spoke to many of the firm’s associates and trainees, gaining precious insight into the graduate journey and also completed tasks for them when needed. More generally, I learned about the policies and procedures adopted by lawyers in a law firm of this kind such as how to store files for different matters and how to bill clients, as well as the software used to facilitate these procedures.

* December 2018 until September 2021, Retail Sales Assistant, Anthony Ryans, 16-18 Shop St, Galway.

Worked Part- time in one of the West of Ireland’s largest department stores, rotating between both the formal and casual menswear departments as well as the company’s standalone franchise store, Remus Uomo. Responsibilities included servicing customers on a commission basis, processing cash and credit card transactions, checking off stock deliveries against orders made, responding to customer queries in-person and via telephone, optimising fashion displays, reconciling cash at daily close of business and delivering to safe, closing off till points and locking up.

Also engaged in stocktaking and helped in the preparation of fashion shows and other events.

* May 2020 until September 2020, Web Sales Assistant, Anthony Ryans Homestore, 7 Lombard Street, Galway.

Worked Full-time during the Covid-19 pandemic in the online department of Anthony Ryans in the company’s homeware branch. Duties involved printing order statements, printing invoices and postage labels, collecting products to be prepared, preparing orders for dispatch, collaborating with couriers, and managing stock levels.

* July 2018, Mentor, GAA Cúl Camps, Moycullen, County Galway.

Worked as a coach at the GAA Cúl Camp in Moycullen for two weeks during the month of July. I helped participating children acquire new skills in a positive and entertaining environment. I had the responsibility of organising activities and games for the kids and used my own initiative to ensure that these activities were structured but nonetheless enjoyable.

**Skills Profile**

**Teamwork:** Proved ability to work as part of a team by my involvement in successful sports teams as well as in retail events. Worked on various group projects throughout my BBL degree where this skill was pivotal in reaching and exceeding objectives and to meet deadlines.

**Communication:** Adept written and oral communication skills developed through a number of years working in a premium retail environment, delivering various presentations in classes, producing video content as part of module components, forming arguments through academic writing, and completing assignments subject to strict word counts and citation protocols.

**Initiative:** Have shown initiative in actively seeking work experience outside College hours, involvement in the UCD GAA club as well as sports clubs in school and at home, helping to organise annual clean ups in my local area and in seeking the opportunity to gain international experience by applying to study in a renowned international university.

**Research:** Demonstrated ability to engage in legal research in the preparation of classwork and assignments by navigating databases, critiquing legal judgements, analysing legislative instruments as well as important secondary sources such as legal journals and textbooks.

**Problem Solving:** Regularly resolved customer complaints and queries and proved ability to take a methodical and coherent approach to solving problems through the completion of a diverse range of assignments during my studies at UCD, both individual and group based.

**Achievements:**

-One of few select students nominated by university to study a semester abroad in Milan.

- Participated in the open access Matheson Virtual Experience Program with Forage, completing tasks relating to Non-Disclosure Agreements, Capital and Finance Markets, Litigation and Pre-Approval Control Functions with the Central Bank of Ireland.

-Completed NUIG’s ‘Breaking the S.E.A.L: Student engagement with archives for learning’ programme in 5th year and was selected to present my research at the certification ceremony.

-Received an award from the NUIG College of Business, Public Policy and Law in recognition of outstanding achievement in Business Studies in the Junior Certificate examination in 2016.

-All-Ireland Basketball winner with my club at U14 and U16 level.

- Received my Category B Irish Driving Licence from the Road Safety Authority at the age of 18 in March 2018.

-Member of the Galway City and West U16 Gaelic Football team that won the Ted Webb Connacht Championship and have also represented my county at U15 and U17 level.

- Member of the Moycullen Gaelic Football squad that won the Galway Senior Club Championship (Frank Fox Cup) in 2020 for the first time.

**Hobbies/interests:**

-Play Gaelic Football for Moycullen GAA and been heavily invested in sport from a young age having participated in GAA, soccer, basketball, and Athletics to a high level.

-Curious learner and regularly consume online content in the form of articles, podcasts, educational videos, and other resources.

-Passionate about music and can play the piano and tin whistle.

- Have a deep interest in general health and fitness.

**Referees:**

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