**Personal**

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**Profile**

I am a very determined, motivated and ambitious individual who enjoys working hard and having positive outcomes. Evidence of my strong work ethic can be seen from my Leaving Certificate results for which I received the UCD Entrance Scholarship Award for outstanding results. Due to my high GPA I have also been selected to study in the University of California Davis as part of the UCD Study Abroad Programme, where I am currently studying law at a post-graduate level until May. I am also comfortable in roles of responsibility seen from the fact that I was both Prefect and Ambassador for History and for Art in St Gerard’s school. Finally, I am a very active person with great teamwork skills as I have played numerous team sports throughout my life.

**Education**

2010 - 2016          St Gerard’s School, Bray, Co. Wicklow, LC 565 PTS

2016 - 2020      BCL Law with History, University College Dublin

**Work Experience**

**September - December 2018 – The Enniskerry Inn, Enniskerry, Waitress/Food Runner**

* Money handling
* Taking orders/Serving food and drinks
* Customer care

**May 2018 – August 2018 - Pacifico Pizzeria, Vancouver BC, Hostess**

* Welcome customers into the restaurant
* Take reservations
* Take food orders/run food

**March 2018 – May 2018 – Bookstation (Callistoy Ltd), Stillorgan, Shop Assistant**

* Cashier
* Handling accounts
* Sorting stock

**March 2017 – April 2018 - BACKUP Marketing, Dún Laoghaire, Promotional Agent**

* Field marketing
* Setting up events
* Upselling of products

**March 2014 – Barrister’s Office, Dublin 7, Work Experience**

* Office work
* Administration
* Observing court proceedings

 **Voluntary Work**

**July 2017 – St Gerard’s Charity Trip to Zambia**

* Worked in numerous different orphanages
* Painted schools
* Worked in the Zambia Agricultural Centre

**September 2014 – June 2015 – Saint Vincent De Paul**

* Member of SDVP committee in St Gerard’s Secondary School
* Packed and aided distribution of Christmas hampers to local community
* Helped to organise numerous fundraising events throughout the year

**September 2013 – April 2014 – The Support Africa Foundation**

* Charity trip to Ethiopia
* Raised €4000, all of which went directly to the foundation’s projects
* Work at child day-care centre and teaching centre

**January-February 2014 – St Catherine’s Special Day-Care**

* Helped to look after children with special needs

**Hobbies and Interests**

* Playing hockey
	+ Member of UCD Hockey Club
	+ Currently playing with the UCDavis hockey team while on my semester abroad.
* Going to the gym/Healthy eating
* Singing
	+ 2nd in St Gerard’s Music Festival 2013
	+ Lead in transition year musical
	+ Asked to sing on behalf of St Gerard’s in Zambia and on behalf of The Support Africa Foundation in Ethiopia

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