

# Robert Adamson

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## Personal Profile

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I am a final-year Masters in Common Law student at UCD. Drawing on my demanding, client-facing professional background in architecture and my strong academic and extra-curricular achievements, I am seeking to reorient my career towards commercial legal practice.

I am a dual Canadian-Italian citizen and fully entitled to work in the European Union and Ireland.

## Education

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### **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN** – 2020 to 2022

#### **Masters in Common Law, in progress**

- 1.1 ('First Class Honours') average (3.85 GPA)
- UCD Law Review Board Member & Online Development Officer
- Trained to volunteer with the university's Student Legal Service

### **UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA** – 2017 to 2018

#### **Completed 41 credits towards Master of Architecture**

- Faculty of Applied Sciences Graduate Award (entrance scholarship of \$5000)
- Average grade of 87% (i.e. 'A' average)
- Portfolio at <https://issuu.com/robertadamson>

### **MCGILL UNIVERSITY** – 2012 to 2016

#### **Bachelor of Arts, First Class Honours in Philosophy (Minor Concentration in Political Science)**

- Dean's Honours List (Cumulative GPA: 3.77)
- Alexander Rutherford and Edgar R. Parkins entrance scholarships for merit, 2012; approx. \$4500 total)
- Elsie Stephen Reford Scholarship (in-course award from Department of Philosophy, 2013, approx. \$1000)
- Research Group on Constitutional Studies Student Fellowship participant (2014-15, approx. \$750 bursary)
- Completed and received 'A' grade on full-year guided Honours Thesis.
- Gained basic knowledge of empirical social science research, including survey design and implementation, data retrieval, and statistical methods using Stata and SPSS software.
- Co-organized and planned a colloquium on 'rationalism' in philosophical tradition as part of Philopolis Montréal (2015).

### **LI PO CHUN UNITED WORLD COLLEGE OF HONG KONG** – 2010 to 2012

#### **International Baccalaureate Diploma and United World Colleges Diploma**

- Attended on Grant MacEwan United World Colleges Scholarship (a 'full-ride' to attend a United World College, awarded by the Government of Alberta: approx. \$70 000 CAD)
- I.B. Score: 41
- Created, installed, and presented a exhibition of 18 artworks as part of two-year IB Visual Art program
- Conducted and analyzed the results of empirical fieldwork on Cheung Chau Island, Hong Kong for a module on urban geography

## Additional Skills / Competencies

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- Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint
- Proficient in Adobe CC (InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator)
- Intermediate verbal and written proficiency in French
- Experienced in public speaking

## Professional and Extra-Curricular Experience

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### **MATHESON** – June 2021 to July 2021

#### ***Summer Intern***

- Completed programme involving range of research, legal-drafting and presentation tasks.
- Presented highly commended proposal for pro-bono initiative within the firm.

### **UCD LAW REVIEW** – December 2020 to present

#### ***Board Member & Online Development Officer***

- Responsible as a board member of a top student-run Irish legal publication for the selection and editorial oversight of original academic articles, ensuring a high standard of rigor, topicality, and style.
- Develop and implement strategies for the publication's branding and online presence, including expanded online content and improved web interface.

### **HARCOURT ARCHITECTS** – June 2018 to present

#### ***Architectural Designer***

- Assist in client outreach, consultation, and management—including for private and commercial clients—facilitating decision-making regarding planning and building regulations, construction methods, and project management.
- Coordinate with design team on design development and construction documentation.
- Developed standard layouts and graphic design content for the firm's printed and digital outputs.

### **UNITED WORLD COLLEGES IRELAND** – Sept. 2018 to present

#### ***Board Member, Governance Officer & Treasurer***

- Conduct annual selection process for nominating Irish students for United World Colleges ('UWC') scholarships.
- Oversee adherence to governance and reporting obligations with the CRO, Revenue and Charities Regulator
- Track funding and expenditures and reported on financial matters to other board members.

### **CPM IRELAND** – March to May. 2017

#### ***Market Researcher***

- Administered market research surveys on location to businesses throughout Dublin, Ireland and surrounding area.
- Coordinated strategically with regional team to ensure timely and thorough survey coverage of allocated area.
- Planned and responded to potential respondents' schedules and concerns to maintain high response rate.

### **DOYLE + PARTNERS** - Sept. to Dec. 2016

#### ***Design Intern***

- Constructed virtual models of the firm's architectural designs on SketchUp.
- Responded to communications from clients and graphic designers with revisions to design details, facilitating the coordination essential to the practice's 'integrated design' approach to retail architecture.

### **DAVE STOKES CONSTRUCTION LTD.** – May to Aug. 2014 to 2016

#### ***Roofer***

- Coordinated with 3-6-person crew to efficiently install roofing materials to residential and commercial buildings.
- Communicated logistical information to other crewmembers to maintain high productivity in construction routines.
- Responded to customers and residents to ensure comfort and satisfaction with the installation process

## Selected Achievements, Skills, and Interests

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- HSBC Royal Canadian Geography Challenge (Provincial 1<sup>st</sup> Place, National 8<sup>th</sup> place)
- I sketch and paint in my spare time and have been commissioned to produce several paintings.
- I play soccer and enjoy outdoor sports, including running, hiking, and skiing.