Síofra Dowling

**Education**

Trinity College Dublin, Law and Political Science 2012 - Date   
Notre Dame Secondary School, Dublin 14 2006 - 2012   
Notre Dame Junior School, Dublin 14 1997 – 2006

**University Modules:**

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| **1. Junior Freshman:** | **2.1** | **65%** | **2. Senior Freshman:** | **2.1** | **68%** |
| **Class Ranking:** | **5/22** |  | **Class Ranking:** | **4/20** |  |
| **Irish Legal System** | 2.1 | 69% | **Constitutional Law I** | 2.1 | 67% |
| **Torts** | 2.1 | 66% | **Land Law** | 2.1 | 61% |
| **Contract Law** | 2.1 | 61% | **Criminal Law** | 1 | 72% |
| **Introduction to Political Science** | 2.1 | 66% | **History of Political Thought** | 1 | 71% |
| **Introduction to Sociology** | 2.1 | 66% | **International Relations** | 1 | 71% |
| **Introduction to Economic Policy** | 2.1 | 60% | **Comparative Politics** | 2.1 | 65% |
| **3. Junior Sophister:** | **1st** | **70%** | **4. Senior Sophister:** |  |  |
| **Class Ranking:** | **=3/13** |  |  |  |  |
| **Administrative Law** | 1 | 71% | **Clinical Legal Education** | Pass | Neutral |
| **Jurisprudence** | 1 | 73% | **Evidence** |  |  |
| **EU Law** | 1 | 73% | **Family Law** |  |  |
| **EU Politics** | 2.1 | 67% | **Criminology** |  |  |
| **Irish Politics** | 2.1 | 64% | **Company Law** |  |  |
| **Democracy and Development** | 1 | 70% | **Equity** |  |  |

**Leaving Certificate – 580 Points:**

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| Irish(H) **– A1** | English(H) **– A1** | Maths(H) **– B2** | Classical Studies(H) – **A1** |
| Geography(H) – **A2** | French(H) – **B1** | Chemistry(H) – **B1** | History(H) – **B1** |

**Experience**

* In September 2015, I spent three weeks working in A&L Goodbody. I was a part of a team in the Property department, assisting with legal research tasks, drafting letters and memorandums, proofreading legal documents such as leases, confirming details in documents such as Fee Farm Grants and collecting documents from other firms. I also took part in IT training with the firm.
* In July-August 2014, I did work experience in the Private Residential Tenancies Board (PRTB) for two weeks. I was tasked with checking that all current case files were active with the solicitor’s firm, Eversheds; going to court to witness section 124 proceedings under the 2004 Residential Tenancies Act; and working alongside Eversheds interns and qualified solicitors.
* I am a part-time barista in Insomnia Churchtown, where I have been working since May 2013. My responsibilities include customer service, food and beverage preparation, till operation and cleaning.

**Achievements**

* Notre Dame Award for Academic Achievement 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012.
* Notre Dame Junior Certificate Cup 2009.
* International Kenpo Karate Association World Championship competitor Jersey 2008, Las Vegas 2009.
* Awarded Brown Belt by the Rathdown Kenpo Club.
* Bronze Gaisce Award.
* Piano Grade V Royal Irish Academy of Music.
* Notre Dame Debating Award 2010, and 2011.
* Captain of Notre Dame Debating Team 2009-2012.
* Notre Dame 2nd Year Prefect, and Prefect for Debating 2011-2012.
* TCD Entrance Exhibition Award 2012.
* Dublin University Dean of Students Roll of Honour 2013-2014.
* TCD First Class Book Award 2015.

**Personal Interests**

I am very involved with DU Amnesty. I was elected to the 2013-2014 Committee as Librarian of the society, the 2014-2015 Committee as Treasurer and the 2015-2016 Committee as Secretary. As Librarian, I was responsible for the running of Amnesty Arts Club (AAC). AAC was the reinvention of the society's book club, which broadened its scope in order to have a wider appeal to fellow students. We use a variety of creative outlets to examine and campaign against Human Rights abuses. This position led me to organise the DUA Creative Challenges Competition. My role as Treasurer gave me responsibility over the society’s finances and required me to keep careful track of all income and expenditure along with applying for grants. As Secretary, I have responsibility over keeping minutes of the meetings and sending weekly society emails, and I am involved in organising large-scale events such as the Trinity Charity Ball and Jailbreak.

**Referees**

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| Anne Marie Caulfield  Director of the PRTB  [AnneMarie.Caulfield@prtb.ie](mailto:AnnMarieCaufield@prtb.ie)  O’Connell Bridge House, D’Olier Street, Dublin 2. | Ivana Bacik,  Co-ordinator of the Law and Political Science Degree Programme,  [icbacik@tcd.ie](mailto:icbacik@tcd.ie) School of Law,  Room 18, House 39  Trinity College Dublin. |