

Dear Sir or Madam: I am a third year Law and French student from Trinity College Dublin currently on Erasmus in Strasbourg, and I am seeking an internship in ByrneWallace for the summer of 2020.

I see a good fit between myself and your firm because I am a dedicated worker, a team player and very eager to learn more about the practical application of the Law. I finished first in my class last year and have published legal articles in French and English as well as participating in Mock Trial, Moot Court, the Law Review and FLAC's 50th Anniversary Research Project. I have experience working on teams from my time as a swimmer, class representative, student mentor, FLAC research project participant, camp counselor and more. My internship at Sheehan and Partners last year greatly increased my desire to be a lawyer, and I look forward to another internship in your law firm.

A career in corporate law appeals to me first because of the breadth of work it encompasses, which will allow me to grow and explore what I am truly suited for. Your firm in particular has over 30 practice areas and sectors. Second, corporate law at its best creates solutions that benefit society at large by promoting consumer confidence and creating wealth. I see significant potential for growth in corporate law in the coming years, and am eager to work in this diverse, challenging and meaningful branch of law. Being a corporate lawyer requires expertise, creativity and cooperation, and a career as a corporate lawyer would therefore be an excellent use of my intellectual abilities. An internship at ByrneWallace is the right first step on this path.

I notice that your law firm is smaller and takes on fewer interns than other corporate law firms in Dublin, which would allow me more in-depth experience with partners and clients. The work your firm does helping businesses get off the ground plays a key role in Ireland's economic development, and the advice your law firm gives on GDPR compliance is crucial for businesses and their customers. GDPR compliance interests me in particular, as I have written a legal article on this. I would be eager to see these or any of your practice areas in action this summer, as the work is challenging and meaningful across your firm. I note that your firm won Law Firm of the Year 2018, that you are recognised as a leading firm by Chambers and Partners and Legal 500 and that you are the only top ten law firm in Ireland with Lexcel accreditation. This reflects the quality of your legal expertise and the caliber of your clients, such as Brindley Healthcare and Ocuco Limited. Your technology-based and forward thinking approach will prepare me for what the legal profession will look like when I practice as a solicitor.

Overall, I believe an internship at ByrneWallace will provide me with practical skills that will prove invaluable to me in the workforce. I want to be challenged in a way I have not been challenged in university, and I look forward to interacting with first-rate legal professionals, important clients and peers who will one day be colleagues.

Employment references can be provided upon request and I very much look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Campbell Whyte