

To whom it may concern,

Application for Summer Internship 2019.

I am writing to apply for a summer intern position for the 2019 intake at Byrne Wallace. I feel my work experience and academic record to date exemplify why I would be suitable for such a role.

I am currently in my 4th year of studying Law at Trinity College Dublin with a current grade of 69%. I am aiming to attain an overall grade of a 1.1 and have achieved final grades of 70% and 72% in two of my modules this term. Further, I have completed the core subjects which are required for the FE1s. I am completing further modules this year and creating a research project on Feminist Criminology which has been a really interesting subject to engage with.

Additionally, I am very proud of my past work experiences and I have found working in customer-based roles has provided me with numerous skills. I have worked part-time since I was 16 years old in a number of roles. The area of financial services which I will be studying this year is of interest to me as I worked as a bank assistant and cashier in Bank of Ireland. The regulations and restrictions within banking impacted every day at work and I loved not only engaging with customers but understanding the legalities which exist in the area.

Social media and the rules surrounding it are also something which are of great interest to me and I have been fortunate to work in this area. I worked as a social media intern for Blackstone LaunchPad and LaunchBox in Trinity College, engaging with students starting their own businesses and assisted in the promotion of the programme through social media. This led me to work as an SMB Account Manager Intern at Facebook and Instagram, I was fortunate to have my own book of business and engage with 15 small to medium businesses from the UK. Working with clients is something I thoroughly enjoy and provided me with the skills of learning to negotiate and to explain difficult processes in more simplified terms. Building upon my social media experience at Facebook I launched my own website northsouthstudent.com. I found there was a lack of information for Northern Irish students applying to study in the Republic of Ireland vice versa and I wish to fix that issue.

I have also enjoyed participating in social entrepreneurship and was a committee member on Trinity's social entrepreneur society Enactus TCD for 2 years, working on projects to combat environmental issues, homelessness and poor mental health. The legal measures surrounding the existence of social enterprises and the necessary protections which exist were certainly experienced in this role.

I now want to tie together my university degree with some of the areas my work experience has touched upon and would love the opportunity to do so at Byrne Wallace. The strong presence of female partners also drew me to the firm, as this is an important factor in making my decision. I feel that the summer internship would be an opportunity to gain true insight into the role of a trainee solicitor.

Thank you for taking the time to review my application.

Kind regards,

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