



Laura Shorten

International Human Rights Specialist

Passionate and experienced in human rights, international law, global diplomacy, climate change, and international politics. I am hardworking, thrive in dynamic environments, and quickly adapt to the ever-changing demands of the international human rights field. I have worked in Southeast Asia, which gave me a greater appreciation of the complexities and issues facing poorer developing nations.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

International Human Rights Specialist Cambodian Human Rights Action Coalition

03/2023 - P *Phnom Penh, Cambodia*

Achievements/Tasks

- Writing case studies on human rights injustices in Cambodia.
- Engaging and lobbying with CHRAC stakeholders.
- Initiating national workshops to promote justice reform.
- Interviewing victims who face human rights violations.

Human Rights Researcher & Writer MZEMO - Human Rights Media Website

03/2022 - P *Amsterdam, The Netherlands*

Achievements/Tasks

- Blog writing, copy writing researching, editing, proofreading, WordPress, SEO optimization and Google Console.
- Social media manager - digital copywriting, social media optimization and scheduling monthly content calendars.

Alumni Relations & Communications Officer UCD Foundation

09/2015 - 08/2016 *Dublin, Ireland*

Achievements/Tasks

- Promoting access to university to students from lower socioeconomic backgrounds.

Children's Rights Professional Fundraiser UNICEF Ireland

07/2014 - 12/2014 *Dublin, Ireland*

Achievements/Tasks

- Established over 1,000 SEPA direct debit contracts with clients, generating approximately 200,000 euros per year for UNICEF.

CERTIFICATES/PUBLICATIONS

- Foundations of Project Management (Google) (11/2022)
- Certificate in Social Media Management (Meta) (09/2022)
- Certificate in Global Diplomacy: the United Nations in the World (University London & SOAS) (03/2022)
- Obtained the European Computer Driving License (E.C.D.L). (09/2012 - 02/2013)
- Obtained a 120 hour TEFEL Certificate Qualification (ITT International) (02/2020 - 03/2020)

March 11, 2023

EDUCATION

LL.M Master of Law - Advanced Studies in International Children's Rights Leiden University

09/2020 - 08/2021 *Final GPA 80% - First Class Honours*

Courses and Achievements

- Advanced knowledge in juvenile justice, child protection, private international law, economic, social, and cultural rights, migration, digital technologies and privacy rights.
- Member of the monthly meetings committee which organized world renowned human rights speakers from across the world to speak and engage in dialogues.
- Advanced LL.M thesis - Existential Oblivion: An Analysis of the CRC's Legal Framework in Protecting Children's Right to Health and Right to Life in the Face of Climate Change. Awarded an 8/10.
- Leiden University International Children's Rights Moot Court Competition 2021. Scored 90/100 during three rounds of oral submissions.

Post-Graduate Diploma in Law Technological University Dublin

09/2018 - 06/2019 *Higher 2.1 Honours Degree*

Courses

- Refugee/Immigration Law
- Constitutional Law
- EU Human Rights Law
- European Union Law
- Criminal Law
- Core Legal Skills

International Bachelor of Social Sciences University College Dublin

09/2014 - 06/2018 *Higher 2.1 Honours Degree*

Focus

- Majored in international politics and development, social policy and social justice.
- Erasmus Exchange Scholarship 2017 - Vrije University Amsterdam.

REFERENCES

Dr. Ton Liefwaard

"Vice-dean of the Faculty of Law at Leiden University and professor of childrens rights"

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Mr. Alan Murphy

"Former UNICEF Direct Dialogue Manager"

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