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What option subjects did you choose to Leaving Cert? French, Biology, Geography, Business Studies.

When did you complete your Leaving Cert? 2011.

Did you have a part-time job after school? Yes, I had various part-time jobs while in school and college. I worked in Penneys and Debenhams and also did a lot of promotional work for brands which involved pop-up shops and promotional demonstrations, working at career fairs in colleges, and also working in the bars at concerts and music festivals!

Did you play sport when you were in school? Yes I played a bit of everything but mostly basketball and I played for both my school and local club teams

Did you go to college? What college did you attend? Yes, I went to the National University of Ireland, Galway (NUIG).

What college course did you study? Computer Science and Information Technology (GY350)



Share some details about any industry roles you have had in your lifetime.

I first started with Deloitte through my industry placement in 3rd year of my course and then returned as a graduate in September 2015. During that time, I've worked with banking and public sector clients and my roles have varied across software testing, business analysis and project management for both customer-facing websites and internal systems.

What skills you have developed over the years?

While there are core competencies required for each specific role, each project has allowed me to develop and strengthen critical skills such as problem-solving, prioritisation, effective communication and collaboration, and presentation skills which have benefited me both professionally and personally. I've also had the opportunity to develop skills in areas of particular interest to me such as UX design and Google Analytics.

What is your current role?

Functional lead and business analyst on a customer-facing website for a public sector organisation.

Why would you recommend a career in your industry? Every day brings something new and the type of work I do k eeps my mind energized while working to solve problems f or clients.

