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## EDUCATION

#### MA Geography

UCD School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Policy Sept 2007 – Sept 2008 University College Dublin Dissertation title; Bungalow Bliss or Bungalow Blitz? One-Off Rural Housing: An Examination of Sustainable Rural Housing Policy and Practice in Ireland

### Bachelor of Arts

Sept 2004 – Sept 2007 University College Dublin Subjects: Economics and Geography

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2011 - 2014 Adviser to Joan Burton TD, Minister for Social Protection, Labour Party Leader

2010 - 2011 Labour Party General Election Project Manager

2009 - 2010 Political Coordinator, Alan Kelly MEP

2007 – 2009 University College Dublin, School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Policy Academic Tutor