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Paris, France

## EDUCATION

**Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne - Collège de Droit International de la Sorbonne**  
*Bachelor's and Master's degrees in English and French Law (Hons)*

Paris, France

September 2022 – June 2026

- Overall Grade : **15/20** – Bachelor's degree with Honours ( “**Mention Bien**”)
- Double degree conducted in partnership with Queen Mary University of London.
- Qualification in the English and French legal systems is to be achieved by the end of the four-year programme.

**Queen Mary University of London**  
*LLB English and French Law (Hons)*

London, UK

September 2022 – June 2026

- Overall Grade: 2:1
- Strengthened problem-solving skills throughout the following law **modules**: Public Law, Contract Law, Equity and Trusts, Tort Law, Land Law, Criminal Law, European Union Law, French Private and Public Law.
- Enhanced critical thinking, legal research and writing by navigating complex legal material.

**Faculty of Governance, Economics and Social Sciences - University Mohammed 6 Polytechnic**  
*Bachelor's degree in Political sciences and Government*

Rabat, Morocco

September 2021 – June 2022

- Overall Grade: 15,3/20.
- **Modules**: Moroccan Constitutional Law, Moroccan Private Law, International Relations, Political Science, Geopolitics, Strategic Analysis and History of Political Ideas.
- Broadened transferable skills through Law, Politics and Accounting.
- Collaborated to the writing and publication of a book about the German elections during the pandemic (Covid-19).

**French Lycée of Victor Hugo**  
*French Baccalaureate (Highest Honours) - International Option*

Marrakech, Morocco

September 2020 – June 2021

- Overall Grade: 17,18/20.
- Developed conceptual and logical reasoning by specialising in Mathematics, Physics-Chemistry and Arabic literature.
- Gained efficient organisational skills through managing 7 subjects concurrently.
- Developed ability to cope with a demanding environment under significant pressure.

## EXPERIENCE

**Mcdermott Will & Emery LLP**  
*Summer Intern Programme*

London, UK

July 2024 – July 2024

- Introduced to various legal sectors through presentations by associates and partners.
- Gained insight into white-collar crime and its implications in corporate settings.
- Explored legal frameworks in healthcare, energy, and corporate law practices.
- Introduced to tax law, real estate, and litigation through expert discussions.
- Engaged in Q&A sessions to understand daily responsibilities of legal professionals.
- Delivered a presentation on shipping law to firm associates and fellow trainees.

**International Counsel Bureau**  
*Summer Trainee*

Kuwait City, Kuwait

June 2024 – July 2024

- Attended sessions on competition law, arbitration, negotiations, mergers & acquisitions, client management and litigation.
- Drafted NDA and settlement agreements related to shipping and corporate transactions.
- Conducted legal research on ESG, contract law, and share purchase agreements.
- Reviewed contracts and drafted an operating agreement under American law.
- Drafted a client alert on consent issues in the healthcare sector under Kuwaiti law.
- Shadowed four multi-qualified lawyers across various legal sectors and casework.

**Queen Mary Legal Advice Centre**  
*Tribunal representative*

**London, UK**  
*September 2023 – June 2024*

- Successfully won the case for my client securing enhanced rates for both the daily living and mobility components.
- Enhanced interpersonal skills while interviewing clients to gather relevant information and assess their cases.
- Conducted legal research to ensure thorough understanding of relevant laws and regulations.
- Reinforced written communication skills by drafting tribunal submissions to appeal necessary awards.
- Provided ongoing support to clients throughout the appeal process.
- Fortified advocacy skills by presenting evidence and assisting clients to give oral statements during tribunal hearings.

**Kapital Legal**  
*Summer Trainee*

**Izmir, Turkey**  
*July 2023 – August 2023*

- Published 4 legal articles on European Union Law ( EU-Turkish relations, GDPR) and Turkish Arbitration.
- Enhanced legal research skills by exploring complex legal material on Turkish commercial law.
- Assisted in the resolution of cross-border Maritime law cases.
- Translated international contracts (e.g. international investments) and pleadings.
- Delivered a presentation on the “Equitable Remedies Available In The Commercial Field” to the firm’s associates.

**Zarkal Law Firm**  
*Legal assistant*

**Casablanca, Morocco**  
*June 2022 – August 2022*

- Shadowed and assisted a 22 years-experienced attorney whose expertise area is Corporate litigation.
- Acquired an enterprising approach consisting of interpreting ahead of what the team needs.
- Liaised the firm with English, French and Arabic-speaking clients.
- Actively participated in legal advice meetings between the attorney and his clients.
- Honed legal research skills by preparing legal consultations and gained practical skills by drafting pleadings.

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## **POSITION OF RESPONSABILITY**

**Leo's International Club - Victor Hugo**  
*Founding Member*

**Marrakech, Morocco**  
*September 2020 – June 2021*

- Successfully collaborated with the founding members by implementing the « one team » approach.
- Organisation of the first pro-bono auction in Marrakech within 2 weeks.
- Attained a fundraising amount of more than £8000 passed to an organisation advocating for children with Down’s syndrome.
- Headed an environment-friendly project at the heart of the Marrakech Medina (over 70 volunteers).

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## **AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS**

**Excellence Scholarship (£6000) - Faculty of Governance, Economics and Social Sciences - University Mohammed 6 Polytechnic.**

- Achieved high scores in both oral and written entrance examinations, ranking within the top 10 students.

**Queen Mary Undergraduate Student Scholarship (£2000) - Queen Mary University of London.**

- Received the academic merit-based student scholarship for outstanding achievements.

**Finalist of the Concours d'Éloquence/ Public Speaking competition - Lycée Victor Hugo.**

- Progressed to 1 of the 8 finalists from a field of 260 students.

**REED SMITH Business Skills Certificate.**

- Strengthened my commercial awareness by attending 4 conferences hosted by Peter Alfandary.

**Lexis+ UK Legal Research Advanced Certification**

- Deepened my mastery of legal research.

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## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

- **French** – Native or Complete Working Proficiency.
- **Arabic** – Native or Complete Working Proficiency.
- **English** – Native or Complete Working Proficiency.
- **Spanish** – Limited Working Proficiency.