

**Irish Tax  
Institute**

# Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) Hunt Scholarship

**For recently qualified Solicitors & Barristers**



# The natural synergy between tax and law

Tax is grounded in law and one of the key skills of a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) is the ability to provide tax advice through the interpretation of tax legislation, case law and precedents.

Many qualified solicitors and barristers complement their existing qualifications by completing the Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification - Ireland's leading tax qualification. Not only does it provide enhanced career opportunities by giving you a competitive edge, it will give you the skills and knowledge to interact with other tax professionals.



## Legal professionals and the Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification



Once I qualified as a solicitor, I started my studies for the Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification. In the Matheson tax department and the tax industry as a whole, this is considered an essential qualification and I knew how much it would enhance my knowledge and skills.

Caroline Austin  
Senior Associate Solicitor, Matheson  
Bachelor in Laws



Matheson



I completed a Bachelor of Civil Law and I am currently undertaking the Degree of Barrister-at-Law in Kings Inns. The Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification prepares you for a career in tax, as it covers tax technical knowledge for all tax heads, while teaching you how to read and interpret the legislation.

Danielle Grant  
Senior Tax Manager, PwC  
Bachelor of Civil Law



  
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## THE HUNT SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship is an excellent opportunity for recently qualified solicitors and barristers with an interest in a career in tax, to qualify as a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA).

The Scholarship includes:

- A place on the prestigious Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) programme worth over €6,000.
- Option to commence either Winter 2020 or Summer 2021.
- All course materials, registration fees and exam fees are covered under this scholarship.



## WHO CAN APPLY

To be eligible to apply, applicants must:

- Have qualified as a solicitor or barrister in Ireland since 1 January 2015 and be eligible to practise in their profession as at the application closing date.
- Be a resident of Ireland.
- Not currently be a student on the Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) programme at the Irish Tax Institute.



## HOW TO APPLY

- Applicants must complete the application form and submit an essay.
- The essay will outline why you are interested in a career in tax and how the Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification will benefit your career (no more than 600 words).
- A character reference should also be submitted as part of your application.
- Application form available at: <https://taxinstitute.ie/career-in-tax/scholarships/>



## WHAT IS THE SELECTION PROCESS

- A judging panel will use the application form and essay to shortlist for interview.
- Successful applicants will be called to interview.
- For any queries contact the Institute on: [scholarship@taxinstitute.ie](mailto:scholarship@taxinstitute.ie)



## WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS

- Review the rules in our “who can apply” section above.
- Download the application form our website: [www.taxinstitute.ie](http://www.taxinstitute.ie)
- Submit the completed application form, essay and character reference by **5pm on Friday, 9 October 2020** to:  
Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA)  
Hunt Scholarship  
Irish Tax Institute  
South Block  
Longboat Quay  
Grand Canal Harbour  
Dublin 2  
or email to: [scholarship@taxinstitute.ie](mailto:scholarship@taxinstitute.ie)



## IMPORTANT DATES

**SUBMISSION DATE  
FOR APPLICATIONS**  
5pm, Friday 9 October 2020

**INTERVIEWS**  
October 2020

# Previous Scholarship Winners



The Hunt Scholarship was a turning point in my career. As a young Barrister, I went into the process looking for a specialisation to set myself apart from my peers. It opened the door to so much more: six months' experience in an International Tax practice; a job offer; and, 5 years' experience as a Senior Associate at a leading Irish law firm with a focus on Tax litigation. When I moved to the US in 2018, my Tax background was very well received. Now, as Special Counsel at a large US law firm, I regularly field queries from clients and colleagues with Irish and EU tax issues. It has been quite the journey. It began the day I completed the application form.

Donncha O'Tuama  
Barrister-at-Law



It was so encouraging that employment figures among qualified Chartered Tax Advisers (CTA) are high. The Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification offers great opportunities and is a great accompaniment to my qualification as a solicitor.

Edel Butler  
Solicitor



Having studied tax at undergraduate level, I knew that the CTA qualification would greatly complement my practise as a barrister. In order to specialise in areas such as Revenue law and employment law, the CTA qualification is essential. As many legal transactions have tax implications, being a CTA will enable me to better serve my clients.

Niamh Ryan  
Barrister-at-Law



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### About Irish Tax Institute

The Irish Tax Institute is the leading representative and educational body for Ireland's Chartered Tax Advisers (CTA) and is the only professional body exclusively dedicated to tax.

The Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) qualification is the gold standard in tax and the international mark of excellence in tax advice. With over 5,000 members in Ireland, along with the Chartered Institute of Taxation UK and The Tax Institute of Australia, we are part of a 30,000-strong international CTA network.