

1.If anything was possible, what would your dream job be, and why?

If anything is possible, my dream job is to work as a Human Resource professional, more specifically in Talent Acquisition and Learning and Development. I chose this as my major under the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration course because I admire those who are able to see the potential in others and help them see that in themselves. I feel absolute joy seeing HR practitioners in action. The ability to make one feel at ease in order to allow applicants to put their best foot forward is much appreciated. Likewise, there is so many other facets of HR that I would like to learn and discover since for the most part what I have done in university is read theories and write case studies about it. I wish to be able to apply what I have learned and experience it for myself. Some people believe that sooner or later, I will feel disillusioned about my dream job. However, I also believe that my passion to establish, organize, and promote leadership and excellence, as inculcated in me by my college Alma Mater, is not something that will ever wane.

2. Have you ever experienced a stressful situation in your past workplace (college if fresh graduate), what was it and how did you overcome it?

As a fresh graduate with no experience yet in a workplace, the most stressful situation I have experienced is being spearheading a team made of up of 9 people for our HR Thesis Proposal and Defense. This is because there is a tendency that some may pull more weight than others if tasks are not properly designated, and if each member's strengths and weaknesses are not considered. Likewise, as the team with the most research participants, it was a challenge for us to stick to our data gathering deadline when we are at the mercy of the managers and employees of the company we chose as our locale of the study. Nevertheless, we were able to overcome it by communicating often with each other and strengthening the bond of our team. In spite of the online set-up that made us physically distant, we made sure get to know each other better by taking collective breathers in the form of prayer and/or music sessions. Moreover, from the very start, we had a visual timeline that can be seen by everybody in our team and we would make adjustments when necessary.

3. In your previous position, what task did you find most challenging and why? What task did you enjoy most and why?

In Rotaract Club of Cebu Fuente – University of San Carlos, the task I found most challenging was when I was Secretary External. This is because we were still adjusting to the pandemic and no clear guidelines were given on what we were to report to our Mother Club. Likewise, the monthly reports were canceled during that time and so a lot of things felt null and void. However, when the end of the Rotary year was nearing, we were surprised with the task of making a report for the entire year that included links to all of our social media engagements, which was a lot since everything was online at that point. Our team was given two (2) days

to summarize the entire year by month, by Area of Focus, and by type of engagement. On the other hand, the task I enjoyed most during my time with the club was when I conducted the monthly club service activity entitled "RACinema Online", which I proposed to boost membership engagement. Every month, Rotary had a theme and that was our basis for picking a movie. Afterward, we would have in-depth talks about the movie and its relevance to society then also have games with prizes at the end since we not only believe in "Service Above Self", but also in fellowship and camaraderie.

4. How would your previous managers/coworkers describe you?

My instructors and educators have described me as respectful, kind, and diligent, which I believe are traits I got from having two wonderful teachers as grandmothers. I have high regard for those who work in the field of education and similar practices. Likewise, my mother taught me not to focus on grades, but rather on really understanding what I am being taught. Good grades will naturally follow. Moreover, I am known to my peers as someone who takes time to introspect because gaining insights to better understand where I am as a person is something that I value. Meanwhile, my classmates know me to be patient and understanding. They also know that I am one with the instructors when it comes to promoting academic honesty and integrity since I was taught by my grandmothers that the only person we are truly fooling is ourselves. Honesty is indeed the best policy.

5. What personal or professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

The accomplishment that I am most proud of is graduating Magna cum Laude. To me, this is only a personal achievement and is not something to be arrogant about. Nonetheless, I am most proud of it because as a late bloomer, it was not something I thought possible for myself. My goal as a freshman was to graduate was to graduate Summa cum Laude since if I were to aim for something then might as well choose the highest. I had a manila paper on my wall and everything to serve as a mantra of my goal. Before the last semester started, I had already calculated my grade point average and knew that I would not make it to my original goal. I initially wanted to be upset and disappointed with myself, but then I realize that going back to my values. I regret nothing since I worked hard and deserved to be proud of myself for making it through despite the anxieties and personal challenges I faced alongside my academic journey.