

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

If anything were possible, blurring the lines of the limitations of my reality, I would love to be a detective or a forensic investigator in crime scenes. I am truly fascinated by crime shows like Criminal Minds or Forensic Files. High-profile cases, may it be murder or arson, really intrigue me and it makes me want to figure things out. I like solving things so this may also be a reason for my fondness for the subject. There is something very interesting about uncovering a story of what happened, theorizing at first then putting the pieces of information together to which a conclusion can later be formed. I am also fascinated by how the people who commit these crimes think and how their behavior works. I like getting enlightened about the motives, their reasons, and what drove them. Aside from all the detective or puzzle-solver aspects of the job, I would love to be one because I also want to help bring a sense of justice to the victims of these crimes.

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?

There are plenty of stressful situations that I have encountered throughout my college life though there is one that stands out for me. No, it was not the final thesis nor the mock board exams although they were pretty stressful as well. It was an activity for my Retail Management class. As we were nearing the deadline, an uncooperative groupmate broke to us the bad news that caused us all to spiral. She was very late in informing us about our invalid subject for the activity. We had to start from scratch with only a few days left before the deadline. It involved finding a retail store to make an agreement with. With everything going on during that busy time, we had to come up with a plan to make it work. I was so stressed that I had to cool off for a while, but I overcame it by still taking things one at a time as well as having patience. We eventually found one, but it took some time and negotiation.



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

I found my venture into a Marketing certification the most challenging. Aside from the degree, I thought it would look nice on a resume if I took extra classes in Marketing and got a certificate. However, that just brought on more stress toward the end of my senior year. The projects were very time-consuming, and they were simultaneous with the mock board exams which I failed to really put in the time to review for. In the end, I pushed through victorious in that venture, so it was a win after all. I enjoyed the Abnormal Psychology class the most. It was really interesting learning about disorders and diseases of the human mind. The manual really taught me a lot with regards to knowing how to diagnose a certain mental illness. It is scary, though, to read through because self-diagnosing is tempting. Aside from that class, we also had one wherein we did counseling simulations. It was great practice for all of us.

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

I think many of my previous classmates and batchmates would describe me as calm, shy, surprising, and not easily angered or bothered. During my senior year, a classmate whom I was not really close with approached me and asked how I keep my cool when everyone around me is stressing over their academics. It was not my intention to exhibit that coolness for fear that I would get labeled as indifferent. It's not that I don't care about my studies, I do care more than I'd like to admit, I just don't want it to seem like the end of the world if a lesson or task was hard to comprehend. I think some would also describe me as 'smart' or 'wise', though I think they're just being too kind. I know that most would describe me as quiet but approachable and friendly. I think I am exactly like that for a lot of people.



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

A personal accomplishment I am most proud of is how I learned to play the guitar. I only knew how to play the ukulele then. With only 4 strings, it was a lot easier. The guitar was more challenging with 6 strings and a bigger body. It took me quite some time to memorize chords and place them on strings with my small hand and itty-bitty fingers. It may not seem that big of an accomplishment to everyone, but I once thought I would never get to play the guitar and now, I'm singing along to the chords that I'm playing on it. Another accomplishment I am proud of is finally graduating college. Though it may seem mandatory for someone in college, graduating is still gratifying for someone like me. Finishing a degree is not an easy task and I am proud of myself for having earned one successfully despite challenges.