

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

I've had many dream jobs in my entire life, but if anything was possible, I would choose to work two jobs: to become a Legal and Business Analyst during weekdays and a part-time News Anchor at an English TV News Program during weekends. Having two jobs might seem to be stressful and demanding, but I truly can see myself enjoying the thrill of analysis, looking at data and trends to provide insights and projections, like what both Analysts and News Anchors do, although the latter provides less personal insight than the former. Moreover, I love helping people. I love seeing the results of my analysis make a business grow because I know businesses help the economy circulate, providing jobs and basic human needs, and I believe that if there are more jobs available, poverty also diminishes, especially here in the Philippines. I also love informing people of relevant information that they should not be unaware of, such that it lessens their risk of unknown danger. I love work that leaves an impact on even just a few people, because that's when I know I have done my purpose on Earth, and I truly believe when I'm doing the work that I love, I will not have to work a single day in my life.

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?

I have experienced a stressful situation in my first-ever workplace, at our Local Government Unit. For the holidays, the Mayor's Office tasked us to convert almost a hundred sacks of rice into 5 kilograms of smaller rice packs. We did not use a weighing scale for the smaller packs because the assigned supervisor for this job gave us scoopers each with a mark estimating that 5 scoops of rice not exceeding the mark would already make 5 kilograms. As I expected, after the second day of our hard labor, the employees were mad at us because they claimed their packs were short by 1 kilogram. Moreover, the people were also accusing us of cutting the kilos of their rice packs so we could take home double which was untrue and hurtful. I personally even had it worse, because I also had to prepare for a solo performance for our Gymnasium Christmas Party when I came home from work every day, all with that muscle ache and mental strain. Not long before that ordeal I, along with my office colleagues, also just finished competing at the Employee's Night and the month-long preparations were intense. But of course, with the right amount of time management, perseverance, dedication, sacrifice, and above all, prayers, I survived what I thought I wouldn't. Everything always looks impossible until you start doing it.



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

One of the most challenging tasks I had ever done in my previous workplace was the retrieval and restoring process of Executive Orders, because these were all papers, and papers when they age, seem to crumble and easily tear, especially from the holes punched. Scanning through the folders looking for certain EO numbers with no care, especially when being rushed, was painstaking. When some employees go through the folders and put them back in the wrong order without letting us know, they leave it unorganized, crumpled, and incomplete. When this happens, we take the blame for it and we reorganize again, which could take me almost three days, just in time for another person to look for another EO again and the ordeal begins again. On the contrary, the computations for the Overtime Pay Vouchers of the Regular Employees were by far one of the most enjoying tasks I had ever done in my previous workplace because it just didn't trigger my Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder that often, and nobody else was able to touch my work so I am sure nobody disorganized it again without letting me know.

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

Previous managers and coworkers would often describe me as young, childish, cute, smart, kind, and having a pleasant face. They always commented on the way I talked and sometimes mimicked it when I spoke because they say I'm soft-spoken and I'm not sure if that was annoying them. Some days it can be offensive, but I learned to laugh it off because I know I am not hurting anyone by speaking in a calm and soft voice. They also call me "IU" after the Korean Celebrity whom they claim looks like me, which I often did not believe in and just laughed it off as well. They say I am talented because I performed for three of our Christmas Party events. They also thought I was very young maybe because of the way that I spoke and walked, and they always said it was because I was the youngest child in the family, but I truly was the youngest employee in the office too. My colleagues also thought I had a pleasant face, in fact, they always complimented me most days and I would smile, thank them for the compliment, and compliment them back too, and in fact when I informed my former Supervisor of my resignation because I was accepted here at PathCutters, he even suggested that I also try applying at BDO because he claims they are looking for pretty employees, which I only took with a grain of salt.



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

A personal accomplishment I am proud of the most was when I became a finalist for the individual category of the "Most Outstanding Student in the field of Spirituality as a Young Lasallian Animator" at the University of Saint La Salle in my third year in college. Back then when I was just in Senior High School at Liceo de La Salle, I would look up to my remarkable "manongs" and "manangs" who were awarded with La Salle bust trophies as Outstanding Students among the entire university. Back then I only thought of surviving my academics to attain and eventually maintain my scholarship and just be a simple student, but destiny took me there out of the blue and it was like a dream. Although I did not win the La Salle bust like they did, having been a finalist was already an incredible feat to me. God does not present you with challenges you cannot conquer after all.