



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

If anything was truly possible, my dream job would be an animal rescuer. Specifically, a rescuer of domesticated animals that roam the streets, abandoned. Not only would I be an animal rescuer, but I would also be an advocate for animal rights. A world where domesticated animals are abandoned by their owners, as well as society, is not a world I wish for in the future. Human neglect has no bounds and I only wish for these animals to have a place where they can be healthy, happy, and cared for.

Some might say, "Why only the animals? Why not help people instead?" Domesticated animals know how to reciprocate the love given to them; they know how to be loyal, and they can be trusted. Humans, on the other hand, tend to take advantage of those around them. Very few are truly grateful for the blessings given to them.

If I can live in a world where everyone knows how to take care of their pets and are responsible owners, I will gladly start the movement. Maybe someday that will all come true.

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?

Stress, like everything else in this world, is inevitable. As long as the human body carries out functions that have a deadline, that requires interacting with other individuals, or anything that one might find daunting, stress will always be present.

As a fresh graduate of the Technological University of the Philippines – Visayas, I am no stranger to the feeling. I believe every student has experienced stress at least once in their entire academic life. What differentiates every one of us is how we deal with stress.

I will hold back on the details regarding what caused me stress throughout my college life. I, however, will share how I cope whenever I am overwhelmed by stress. My coping mechanism is isolation-type. Basically, I entertain myself with social media or mobile games. It takes about an hour or so to feel better. I don't want others to be bothered whenever I'm de-stressing, it just doesn't feel right with me. After that, I'll be able to go back to what I needed to do.



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

Although I only got to experience half of what college life is all about because of the pandemic, I still had my fair share of experiences. Some highs, some lows. Experiences relating to academics, experiences unrelated to academics. I've garnered a hefty number of memories.

If I were to choose the most challenging task of them all, I would probably have the same answer as most of my fellow TUPVians, the thesis paper. Well, the thesis paper would be the answer of a lot of college students. For me and my co-researchers, it was a fiery hell. Our thesis focused mainly on the correlation of the emissions of sugarcane bagasse and their physical properties. We had a time limit, gathering samples would be easy if it weren't for the unfavorable schedule of sugarcane harvesting season. On top of all the experimentation and paperwork, we had to deal with a major subject worth six units simultaneously.

Enjoyment and college are words that don't usually mix. But my college life wasn't all that bad. The task I enjoyed the most was being part of a committee that hosted a party for our entire department. It was hard work, but it was the reason why college was more memorable.

4. How would your past colleagues or managers describe your work ethic?

I could never speak on behalf of the people on how they see me or my outputs. Everyone has their own opinion, and I am not sure if I can generalize everyone's thoughts into a single paragraph.

I can, however, describe how I go about doing my tasks. First and foremost, I am not perfect. I cannot count with my fingers how many times I messed up throughout my college life. Some minor mistakes, some not-so-minor mistakes. Second, I grow. I was immature during my first year in college and I made dumb decisions. But with guidance from a beloved mentor, I was able to become more reliable and confident in what I do. Lastly, I do my best. If scouting taught me anything, it's to always do my best. I always try to put in the effort, especially when a task's outcome affects many people.

Actions speak louder than words, that's the mantra I live by when doing my tasks.



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

Goals are what help the human body from getting up from bed every day. It is what keeps us moving. It gives us meaning to the life we live. The harder the goal, the more rewarding it is when it is accomplished. And looking back on my previous achievements, it would be difficult to choose just one.

The most recent achievement I accomplished was passing the Licensure Examination for Mechanical Engineering. And before that, I passed college. I also got my driver's license. I became an Eagle Scout. I survived the pandemic, that's an accomplishment.

If I had to pick one, it would be none of those. To me, right at this very instant, the fact that I'm alive right now is my proudest achievement. It means that I was able to survive everything that came my way and I lived to tell the tale. And I plan to continue living to achieve everything I want. I am proud of being alive.