

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

If anything was possible, my dream job would be to become a flight attendant. Growing up, I was fond of reading books. I used to imagine things, people, and most especially, places. This imagination of mine has led me to believe that travelling is a parallel way of reading. In travelling, you get to know new things, meet people with different backgrounds, and visit places that were once told by books—all through first-hand experience. More than the travel perk, I believe that this job will teach me the values of patience, hard work, and how to withstand pressure. For me, being a flight attendant is not just a dream job but a promise to my younger self. To learn is something, but to experience is everything. As I experience life, I know to myself that this dream has never left my being. It is still part of me. And when the right time comes, I hope to fulfill this promise.

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 an Accountancy graduate, stressful situations have become the norm. Every day, we are challenged by different examinations, quizzes, and recitations, which all have high demands in order to reach the grade requirement. Sleep has become a luxury, and most of my time has been dedicated to studying books and analyzing transactions. Family gatherings are most of the missed events, and eating on time was one of my failed promises to myself—that is how stressful my college life was. Given this unbalanced lifestyle, I overcome this situation by being prepared every day by studying ahead of the topic and exam coverage. Through this, I was able to ace my tests and have extra time to rest or spend time with my family. From that stressful experience, I learned how to manage my time wisely and, at the same time, to use it efficiently. Nonetheless, no matter how many exams and recitations you're preparing for, choosing an effective study habit is a must to fully digest the information and to not mix up the concepts.

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

When I was in college, I considered our qualifying exam to be the most challenging. This is due to the fact that our qualifying exam results will determine if we are still qualified to be part of the Accountancy program. Despite the pressure it has caused me, I can say that the task that I enjoy the most is studying the coverage of the exam. I find it enjoyable as I get to understand concepts better, and at the same time, it gives me fulfillment when I know how to approach the transactions given in the problem. Further, this qualifying exam has opened an opportunity for me to get along with my classmates as we all hurdled our way to passing the exam. It was really a nice experience knowing that I was surrounded by different individuals who all had the same goal as mine. With that, passing the Accountancy program is not just a challenge but will definitely be my greatest achievement in life.

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

My former classmates would usually describe me as hardworking and a goal-oriented type of person. I believe that great things in life are achieved through hard work, and this has fueled me to do things to the best of my ability. Given the demanding and competitive environment of the Accountancy program, studying most of the time has become part of my routine. This program has humbled me to not just be an intelligent person; you also must do the extra work of being ahead of the coverage. Also, I am described as a goal-oriented type of person because once I am assigned to a specific task, I really make sure to produce a quality output. Not only that, I also love to work in teams and do tasks together. It gives me an opportunity to share and gather ideas for producing an outstanding performance. Hence, through hard work and my goal-oriented personality, I was able to finish the Accountancy program and enjoy my college days back then.

5. What personal or professional accomplishments are you most proud of? My personal accomplishment that I am most proud of is to finish college with a degree in Accountancy. I considered it an accomplishment knowing that I have put so much effort, time and dedication to be part of this program. I have gone through hardships up to the point of closely giving up on this course. However, I am just glad that I have the best support system—my family and friends, who continuously believed in me. I have undergone sleepless nights, endless reading of business and taxation laws, and finished countless cups of coffee just to keep up with all the coverage. With these sacrifices, I can say that my hard work has paid off after I have seen my diploma. Nonetheless, it is true to say that when you give your 100% to the things that you love, it will bounce back a sense of 101% fulfillment. This 101% is what pushes me to hurdle life's challenges. If I made it through Accountancy, I am sure I am going to make it whatever my heart desires, no matter how hard it can be.