

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

If anything were possible, I could have pursued a degree in Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and become a pharmacist. I've always dreamed of working in a pharmacy where I can do the things that I love, such as accommodating people, selling, and being an expert in medicines. This is the job that I wanted so badly to have during my high school days, but due to financial problems, my parents could not take me to a private university.

I wanted to become a pharmacist because I could be in the medical field without needing to see blood but still be able to heal people. The thought of being knowledgeable in medicines makes me eager because I can educate other people on the importance of dosage in medicines. I can also discover new medicines through scientific research. A kind of medicine that is affordable for the masses yet very effective. Pharmacists can also make use of their license to build a pharmacy, which I also want since I desire to build my own business.

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 fourth-year student, we have a subject with the title "Seminar and Field Trip" on it. It was announced 3 months before the date, that our course would be having a field trip to Cebu for a price of 15,899 pesos. If we can't join, we need to interview five IT companies in Bacolod City, excluding BPO companies. I know how hard that task will be since most companies value their business, so they have confidentiality to perform, and it'll be difficult to interview someone from the higher-ups, especially if I don't have someone that I know. I talked with my mom about it and she's willing to find someone who can lend money for my trip. But I didn't want to be a burden, so I ended up looking for a part-time job to sustain my financial needs.

I applied at Bacolod Express Manpower Agency as an on-call waitstaff and kitchen helper, where I worked by accommodating guests and helping out in the kitchen. It came to a point where I had to skip classes just to work because I thought that it'd be a waste to let the salary go. Stay calm and create a plan, that's how I overcome stressful situations.



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

This is regarding my internship. The challenging task that I encountered was being asked to self-learn the NOC (Network Operation Center). It is hard because the topic is new to me, and I don't have any idea about it. Also, we don't have someone to ask because the Head who handles us called in sick, and he worked at home the whole duration of our learning with NOC. We cannot also ask the other employees because they are busy doing their job and we might be a distraction to them.

The task that I enjoyed the most was programming the payroll system. There was no deadline. We were just tasked with doing it at our own pace, no pressure, just doing what we could. That was very enjoyable because I got to work with 2 other programmers who are my classmates. One programmer is into front-end development, which is the design, while the other is a back-end developer for the functionality of the system. We worked together, hand in hand, without any conflicts.

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

I have no work experience, I will just share how my classmates view me as a student. They will describe me as responsible and studies well. Since high school, I always aimed to get high grades by studying as much as I can. I'm the type of student who doesn't get a grasp of the topic in an early discussion, I need to take down notes and study hard. If I don't, I'll receive a low grade. I kept that habit of mine until I reached college.

They will describe me as responsible since I'm always tasked to be a leader in group projects, so I am the one who disciplines them and keeps them in place if they're not participating. Also, I am an officer in two organizations which I juggle together with my academic work, which involves representing our college and being a club that IT students can run to.



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

In my internship, we were tasked with developing a payroll system for a company. Without a senior programmer, me and my development team were able to finish it within two months. It is not perfect; there are still minor issues that we need to tackle, but I am proud of it because, in that short amount of time, we were able to develop the system, which for me is a big achievement. Because our thesis took two semesters to finish, it is kind of new to us and a good discovery that with the right teamwork and cooperation, nothing is impossible.

I hope that with the help of our payroll system, the company will streamline its tasks and not keep using its manual payroll, which is in Excel. It'll also be a big help in a way that they will reduce the inaccuracy with the pay, and the accountant will not be having a hard time.