

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

My dream job before the world hit me with the truth was to be a doctor or a nurse. Growing up, I always looked up to these professionals and I somewhat looked at them before like gods. I have always felt comforted whenever I know there are nurses or doctors around; as a sick person before, I felt like they were the real heroes of this modern world. My grandmother died of cancer, and my grandfather died for some complications that I am not aware of years ago. And looking back, I feel like they would also feel relieved and comforted that someone they are with is knowledgeable when it comes to healthcare. I knew that my grandmother was in a lot of pain that no medicine could cure, and at that time I felt like the only support I could provide her was more on the emotional aspect. Right now, I still have thoughts regarding how I could have helped her to feel better if only I was in health care. I was thinking that maybe she'll be a little more relieved like how I was before thinking that someone could help ease her pain when it is time for her to go.

I want to be someone people could go to when they are in pain, someone they can rely on when things are a little harder for them to take on. Although it feels impossible to be a doctor or a nurse now, I will make sure that I will be there for the people that matter to me when they need me most.

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?

Since I am a fresh graduate, I think a stressful situation I have encountered was during the making of our feasibility study. When doing the study, it is inevitable not to go out and meet people on the streets unfamiliar to me since we will be conducting a survey of our participants. Our participants include vendors of a certain place or market whom we are tasked to question with regards to their nature of business, income, and expenses, which we are also aware to be confidential. One participant took our endeavor in a bad light and misunderstood us, thinking we might exploit the information we got from him to his competitors despite us providing him with the confidentiality letter we made. This resulted in a heated discussion, by which we were very taken aback. What I did was apologized on behalf of my team members and explain to him that he can always decide not to answer the survey if it feels threatening to him and that we will just go on our way and decide to look for another participant. At the end, although he was a bit reluctant, he still provided us with some information we needed.

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

I did my on-the-job training at Ribshack Grill Corporation as an accounting intern for around 3 to 4 months. The most challenging task for me was auditing the liquidation reports presented by each employee. There are cases when the employee's report of expenses is different from their submitted OR's, which can result in a series of discussions as to why there was a relevant difference in their report. On the other hand, what I enjoyed most was when I was using QuickBooks to record a purchase order and closing of accounts. I find this task enjoyable since I get to work on software, which I was unfamiliar with. I also audited what my supervisor did before putting in the final output in the software. Through the internship program, I was given a chance to get acquainted with things not taught at school and apply the theories we learned at school into the corporate world.

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

I think they would describe me as someone who is dedicated to getting the work done. Way back, I always made sure to do my task efficiently, and there were even moments when my supervisor would commend me for finishing my tasks ahead of time and ask me to slow down a bit. In terms of punctuality, in the past 3 to 4 months I have been with them, there was never a time when my supervisor arrived in the office before me. I value and respect my colleagues, and I always make sure that I do not do things that would put them on the line. I make sure that I am going in the extra mile to achieve the desired results I have in mind, may it be at work or in a personal aspect. Through the character and personality that I have manifested during the time that I was with them, I am confident that they can say that I am a colleague they would want to work with again someday.

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

When it comes to accomplishments, it can be very subjective, but one thing I have achieved in the professional setting was passing the Civil Service Professional examination during the first try. Although it may seem like a small win to others, with someone who took up a non-board bachelor's degree, this is an achievement for me. I was not prepared; I was busy with my OJT tasks and academics on the side, and I only had a day to really prepare for it, and luckily, I was blessed to pass the exam. On the other hand, one proud accomplishment I have right now on a personal level is the maturity and mindset that I have developed all through the years. I am proud to say that I do not take everything personally. This lesson was a hard pill to swallow as someone who always fishes out for validation from other people. I am now my own person, unafraid of what the world says about me.