



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

If anything was possible, my dream job would be an interior designer. As a girl who grew up in a small house, I've always wanted to become an interior designer. Growing up, I loved the idea of art, making stuff like arts, crafts and home decor. I remember dreaming about what I wanted to be when I grew up since junior high. I was interested in decorating and architecture. My interest in home renovations grew and developed as I watched YouTube videos about them in high school. I also liked going to the museums and old buildings.

Why interior design? Not only can interior design create a beautiful aesthetic, but it also creates an environment that is appropriate for the purpose of a space, which enhances daily life. Internal design has an indirect impact on people's lives. With good design, an empty room can be made into something lovely and vibrant or something peaceful and comfortable. It can turn an inefficient space into one that is effective. It can turn a house into a home.

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?

Way back in college, being stressed is normal, it's just a matter of how you handle it. One of the requirements for us college students to graduate was to submit a thesis or a Research study and complete the On-The-Job training course. As a leader of our thesis group, the most stressful situation I experienced was finishing our research paper while I was on my OJT period. Becoming a student and an intern was not an easy task. As interns in an accounting firm, we were given specific responsibilities. The firm is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We then have classes from 6 to 8 p.m. to attend after that. At the same time, we had to survey 150 commuters during our OJT period, especially because our research methodology required in-person interviews. We, on the other hand, struggle with time management.

We overcome it by sacrificing our precious weekends, spending our time doing our research paper. It's tiring, but we can't deny that being a student is both a responsibility and an obligation. Responsibility to our parents and our obligation to ourselves. In that moment, we realize we need to stand strong as a rock for us to get that degree and face reality.

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



During my internship, the task that I found the most challenging was travelling back and forth to BIR main office to submit some documents. At that time, summer was not yet over. Being a commuter travelling is both a journey and a challenge. We often deal with traffic and the hot season. Also, one of the main reasons why we conducted our research study to the commuters. Additionally, in our firm, we are trained to submit documents in the designated office, and as an intern, it is also new for us since we are not that knowledgeable about how government offices work.

On the bright side, the task that I enjoyed the most was creating income statements of our clients and, most especially, data encoding. It allows me to use what I learned from school, how we apply it and how it really works in the real world. It just gives me an eye opener on how the accounting world really runs in the industry of business.

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

During my internship, I was the only STI student, and the rest were students from San Agustin College. Adjusting to the office's environment would take me some time. I am a quiet, considerate, well-organized worker, according to my coworkers. I am the type of person who tries to seem calm and composed despite being quite stressed out about schoolwork. The advantage of being calm is that it allows us to think logically about what decisions we need to take accordingly.

When it comes to my work, my supervisor would normally commend me for the quality of my work. She told me that being neat when it comes to paperwork gives a good impression to our clients. Also, having good handwriting skills is a big advantage to accounting since we are dealing not just with numbers but also with different types of documents, most importantly legal documents. Even though my internship was not that easy on my part, I finished it with a graceful smile and developed new friends.

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

When I think of my accomplishments now, I think of everything I have been through. When I reflect on my journey, I realize how far I have come. We encounter obstacles in life that mold us



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into the people we are today. The most significant accomplishment I have made is obtaining my college degree, which was a difficult, costly, and life-changing experience. It has opened doors and provided opportunities that have greatly enhanced my life and taught me the value of perseverance, hard work, and determination. My college degree is not just a piece of paper but a symbol of my resilience, my belief in the power of education, and my commitment to creating positive change in the world. The sacrifices I and my parents made were not just financial but also mental and emotional. This success of mine is not mine alone. This is also a success for my dad who has been working abroad for more than 10 years and I know he is happy because I am his first child to graduate from college.