

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

If anything were possible, my dream job would be to be a flight attendant. Back when I was young, I loved the idea of traveling to different places. That's the time when I started to think about what jobs include traveling. One day, I saw a television advertisement for one of the airline companies here in the Philippines. It caught my attention, and I searched for what a flight attendant does. I started to envision myself having that dream job, wearing beautiful uniforms, traveling locally and internationally, and being able to assist passengers. My eyes sparkle whenever I see a flight attendant. The pandemic came, and many dreams were shattered, including mine. I didn't get to pursue a tourism course because I chose practicality over what I wanted at that time. But no regrets, I learned how to love the course that I took when I was in college. I get to enjoy the course, learn things hand in hand, and step into something that explores creative thinking and understanding the importance of marketing. I may not get to take the course or career path that I wanted back then, but it redirects me to something that I can enjoy and make use of in my life.

2. Have you ever experienced a stressful situation in your past workplace (college if a fresh graduate)? What was it, and how did you overcome it?

Yes, stress is really evident wherever we may go, but during the time that I get to experience a stressful event, I make sure to compose myself and never let my emotions take over me. It was when I had to juggle things like my academics, being a student leader, and being a scholar of the university. Every aspect has its corresponding duties and responsibilities that need to be fulfilled. There are times that I question myself whether I can perform and comply with all the responsibilities that are on my shoulders. I began to doubt myself, but when I gathered all my thoughts and paused for a while, I rethought the reason and purpose why I entered those things. It began to be clearer than usual and took me back on track to where I left off. That was when I also discovered that being relaxed and composed can make me think clearly and make decisions correctly. Stress can be avoided if we are aware of our limitations and we know how to handle shortcomings. Dwelling on something that we can't control is a waste of time and energy.

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

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On my previous tasks, back when I was an intern in the banking industry, my task was to ensure that walk-in clients received excellent service, assistance, and accurate banking information. I also support my supervisor by managing files and documents and contributing to sales by facilitating online account openings and promoting bank products. The task that I found the most challenging was encoding and checking if the documents matched. Accuracy and attention to detail are the two important skills that are required. It's challenging due to the reasons that it really needs to be accurate with the database since the information correlates with big amounts of money involved. If ever there is an error or missing information, someone will be held liable. That is why attention to detail and accuracy must be observed properly. Although it is challenging, I find it enjoyable in part because it also enhances my performance when it comes to making sure things are correct and free of errors. It's good pressure since I get to develop my skills and know how important accuracy and attention to detail are.

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

My supervisor during my internship would describe me as diligent and reliable when it comes to the tasks that were given to me. Whenever my supervisor sets a specific task for me to do, I get to finish it within the time given and provide a good-quality output. I also make sure that I give my best on doing my task to help them lessen their workload. There is a time that my supervisor needs assistance, and that requires someone to run through all the details correctly and report to her whether there was an error. After I'd done my assigned tasks, she complimented me and thanked me for completing them diligently. Being able to help my supervisor, mentored by her, was a great opportunity for me to learn and to learn new things. I've also got to have an experience that I will remember and can utilize in my career.

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

My accomplishment that I'm most proud of is being able to give my service to an organization or a certain person and create a better impact on them. Having this opportunity to connect and be a leader or a member of a certain group is really what I'm proud of. Connecting with people is easy, but having a meaningful friendship or companionship is what really matters to me. Back when I was in college, I was given the opportunity to lead the organization that I'm in. Although I'm hesitant at first, my love for the organization itself makes me decide to follow what my heart desires. Yes, there are challenges that I faced, but together with my teammates, we surpassed them through teamwork and collaboration. Being a leader is not always commanding what things to do but listening to your people and knowing what could benefit everybody. After all, leadership is a voluntary action, not just for popularization.