



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

If anything were possible, I would be a pediatric surgeon. Ever since I was a kid, I always had a passion for helping the sick, especially the poor. I always aspired to be able to work at a hospital and attend to my patients. I grew up having no siblings, so seeing little kids makes my heart flutter and inspires me to pursue my dreams. I love being able to study medicine, knowing the different causes of why someone is sick, and helping them recover their optimal self. I grew up watching medical documentaries and learning how doctors live their day-to-day life, which inspired me to pursue a course that is inclined to helping those who are in need. Although my dreams are quite far-fetched, I am still hopeful that I'll be able to study medicine and pursue my true calling—which is to cure the sick. I see myself 10 years from now being able to have my clinic and perform surgeries on little children.

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?

When I was still a student, I was a member of our student council. During our intramurals, we had a costume malfunction for our mascot contest, and the person in charge was out of reach for no valid reason. Our governor was at a different venue, and being the vice governor stressed me out since my team was understaffed and we didn't have any idea on how the costume would be fixed. Also, during the malfunction, the sports manager of our council asked for my help in providing drinks for the basketball participants. It was chaotic, and my mind felt crowded with the different problems that our council was facing. But being the vice governor, I knew that I had to step up and find solutions to our problems. Luckily, I was able to hold an emergency meeting with the remaining staff that I have, and we came up with a plan that helped us resolve the costume malfunction. I assigned someone to oversee the malfunction, and I asked one of our board members to help the sports committee in providing drinks for our participants.

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

The most challenging part for me is having a boss that is hard to reach out to. Since she has multiple jobs, being the sole virtual assistant was draining, and I found it hard to accomplish my tasks since she would barely give me instructions on how I could access her files, where I could find her contacts, and which client should be prioritized. Our clients would have a hard time communicating with her, which would lead them to cut their partnership with my boss' company. Most of the time, she would give me tasks that were given to her last week before the said



deadline. I would end up cramming the task and doing rough edits since the client will be expecting the work after an hour. But despite the disorganized work ethic, I had fun talking with our clients since they would guide me into their desired designs and assure me that they were satisfied with my service. They would also ask me if I was still able to manage my tasks well and tell me to take my time.

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

My past colleagues will describe me as someone who is fast-paced and on time. I would make sure that everyone arrives at the location on time and that all our tasks are handed out equally. I tend to keep track of my members' progress and check their well-being from time to time. Sometimes, I can be really strict and straightforward, which could appear intimidating for others. I value my team's work output, and I want to make sure that all of us are working at the same pace. If someone cannot keep up, I make sure to help them out and suggest ways on how they could improve their output. Although I may appear stern, I try my best to appear as approachable and accommodating as possible to my workmates. I love making people comfortable as they work while helping them unleash their full potential through giving them an extra push when they feel that they cannot handle a task.

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

In my 22 years, I can say that being able to graduate on time while being busy with my external organizations is my most prized accomplishment. My mother always reminded me that not everyone has the privilege to finish their studies and that I should be proud of having the degree. Although I did not graduate with an academic honor, I am still grateful for being able to finish my degree and serve the community at the same time. I was able to surpass my subjects with flying colors despite being easily sick during my internship days. I was also able to reach the marginalized communities through conducting forums, seminars, and outreach programs. Also, I was able to connect with God through my chosen ministry during the weekends, which makes my day-to-day busy yet fulfilling. These achievements remind me that I am currently living the life I aspired to when I was still a child, and I should ground myself through connecting to the marginalized and helping them achieve their needs.