

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

If anything was possible, my dream job would be to become the president or probably a senator of the Philippines. With the recent events unfolding in the country, where corruption of government officials, particularly that of DPWH officials that are involved in failed flood control projects; anomalous involvement of high-ranking officials in the manipulation of and insertions in the nation-wide budget; blatant efforts in the delay of holding government officials accountable for misuse of government funds and other offenses, I think that many of our high-ranking officials are making a humongous joke out of our justice system. It's heart-breaking to see the poorest of the suffer from the consequences of greed of those in power. While there are those who continue to struggle to make ends meet daily by grinding and working hard, taking overtimes, bravely facing storms and floods, there are those who do nothing but take advantage of those who are suffering by amassing wealth and living a luxurious life.

If it were only me, I'll ignore those who are at the top living lavish lifestyles for I wish only a simple one. But when you see your fellowmen continuously sink to the pit of poverty while the people they elected, whom they thought would help alleviate their poverty and suffering, are the very ones who push them deeper to the pit, I think that someone has to definitely put an end to all of this corruption. Someone who has the authority and is brave enough to go against political dynasties and topple down the system that has been imposing a yoke on the Filipino people too difficult to carry should take the lead. I wish to be the president, or senator, or anyone who is capable enough to end the suffering of my oppressed fellowmen and bring justice to those who take advantage of them.



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?

I'll be honest on this part. It was pandemic, in the year 2022 that I experienced a stressful situation in my past workplace. During this time, I was assigned as the only Audio-Visual Entertainment Committee member and head at the same time. This committee in our Institute is primarily tasked with all the video and entertainment productions. I was also assigned as a Pastoral Committee member, wherein we are in-charge of all the pastoral services that we were providing to the secondary schools in NCR under our care. All these I balanced together while at the same time taking up a bachelors in Theology in UST.

It was pandemic, and our apostolate took on a different medium. Before the pandemic we would be visiting our assigned schools weekly and teaching secondary students. Now that the pandemic continues to rage, our apostolate was moved to online platforms. We began producing online livestream programs as a form of apostolate, daily mass was streamed to the public, and social media content production was introduced to our Institute. Everything that involves apostolate, and media was under me. Things were getting difficult for me. I would sleep way past midnight just editing ang finishing video contents to be posted the next day, waking up early to live stream the 5:30 am mass, conceptualizing new designs for weekly postings and a lot more. I was getting burned out. I had to balance all these works together with my academic responsibilities. Studying theology requires a lot of reading and understanding. It was not just the typical memorization. We regularly wrote critique and reflection papers on philosophy and theology.

There came I time where I found myself standing at the roof deck of our building. Looking from the height where I was, a thought came to my mind to end all the anxieties and stress that I was feeling that time by jumping off the roof deck. A strange force seems to pull me. However, I took the time to close my eyes and said a prayer. After my prayer, it gave me a sense of peace. It gave me the strength I needed to keep on persevering. Though the difficulties were not taken away and I must endure them for the entire year, whenever I would find myself tired and burnt out from all the works that I had, prayer and a moment with God was my saving grace. I took all those challenges as a means of my further growth. True enough. After a year of challenges, I found myself ever stronger and resilient to face the challenges that life may throw my way.

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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In my previous position as assistant to the pastoral director, and Audio-Visual Entertainment committee held, I actually had no difficulty in performing tasks assigned to me. The difficulty only comes when tasks overlap with one another. Now, you might think that I lack the skill in the proper scheduling of my work, however that is not the case. There are times when you already had a specific schedule for this particular task, or this particular academic requirement, but the superior suddenly comes in and inserts another schedule that was never in the calendar in the first place. Obedience to the superior precedes all other tasks, thus you have no choice but to forgo your current schedules and tasks for the schedule the superior has arranged for everyone.

I can consider myself docile. I learn new tasks and adapt to new environments quickly. I enjoy almost all tasks given to me, for its accomplishment gives me satisfaction and fulfillment. The tasks that I find the most challenging are the tasks assigned to me that I find useless and irrelevant. To qualify my previous statement, the tasks that I find useless and irrelevant are the tasks that serve to benefit the personal gain of specific individuals rather than serving the good of many.

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

I do think that my past colleagues or managers would describe my work ethic as being reliable in fulfilling tasks and at the same time providing quality outputs. I was given lots of assignments and tasks in the Institute that I previously belonged to. These tasks vary in a lot of disciplines. I had been assigned tasks relating to music and choral organizing. I had been assigned tasks in video editing and production. I have also been assigned tasks relating to social media posting and content creation. I had also been assigned tasks in organizing documents and databases.

I might be considered a jack-of-all-trades, master of none, but I definitely make sure that when a task is assigned to me, I deliver quality output. I make sure that I am doing my best in every task I perform. I don't want looking back at a task with frustration thinking that I could have done better. I also think that the quality of my outputs is a reflection of the love and passion I put in every work assigned to me.



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

Some of the personal accomplishments that I am most proud of are: First, I was able to finish high school in our provincial science high school. During my time, top students from all over the province seek admission in that particular school. Most of my classmates were either the valedictorian, salutatorian or top of their class they graduated from. Second, I was able to pass the UPCAT examination and secured a slot in UP Visayas for AB Psychology. However, due to twists in my path I forwent my admission and entered the seminary which I consider my fourth personal accomplishment. I was heavily trained inside the seminary in the human, intellectual, social and spiritual dimensions of my being. Fifth, I graduated Bachelors in Secondary Education Major in English, Magna Cum Laude with awards in Best in Philosophy and English. Lastly, I graduated Bachelor in Sacred Theology, Cum Laude from the Pontifical, Royal, and Catholic University of Santo Tomas.