

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

If anything was possible, including not considering financial limitations and my own incapabilities, my dream job would be working as a Marine Biologist. I graduated with a degree in Management Accounting, making Marine Biology such a far-off job to even consider for me. Marine biology is more of a passive interest of mine. I would love to explore the diverse and unique ecosystem the sea has to offer. The only way I can relate it to my current career path and passions is that my desire to help others through information and let's say "desk work", also translates to animals. Nothing beats being able to assist people and help them with their current needs by providing my expertise and skills. If my skills and capabilities could be used to help, then a job like that is certainly fulfilling. I am not the most social person out there and I would not call myself someone who is "good with customers". I'm just any other desk jockey, and if that can make an impact in other people's lives, then I am satisfied.

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?

One very stressful situation I can recall in college as a fresh graduate, is when there was a misunderstanding between my thesis advisers and the statistician we hired. Our methodology involved numerous data from local companies, making it quite complicated and extensive. Our statistician could not understand what the problem statement demands, and our thesis advisers were not budging on changing it. As a thesis member who understands the problem statement and can navigate my way around the statistical software used, I offered to do the statistical treatment myself. I am fairly aware of my capabilities, and I used it to offer a solution and bridge differences. With my thesis group mates having only surface-level knowledge of the software, I was alone in such endeavor. However, without their support and my thesis advisers' guidance, I would not be able to accomplish such a task. This event highlighted the importance of initiative and speaking up for me. If I knew that I would be able to help, then it is my responsibility to make it known.



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

In my previous position as an intern at the City Accounting Office of Bacolod, the task I found the most challenging would be assisting in the creation of bank reconciliations. It is a fairly easy and straightforward task for someone who is familiar with accounting. However, what made it challenging is that any missed transactions would result in an error and the responsibility would fall upon the person who trained us. Government work is extensive and handling financial matters is especially a strictly regulated task. I would not want my superior or trainer to be reprimanded for anything, so I had to do my best to keep a keen eye on details. On the other hand, the task I enjoyed the most is organizing disbursement vouchers. It's mainly handling paperwork by photocopying, compiling, and classifying. The work was monotonous and easy, making it not stressful at all. It also reminded me of the game called "Papers, Please" which made it fun.

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

My past trainers would probably describe my work ethic as efficient and goal-oriented. Give me a task and I will have it done in no time. This is not to say that I sacrifice accuracy and completeness just to get the job done as soon as possible, it's just that I do tend to solely focus on the task and not have any distractions around me that may lead me to stray from my work. I'm not focusing on a task just for the sake of being quick, it is within me to also consider the time allotted to me and to avoid making people wait for long. This can correlate to me being goal-oriented, as considering goals and objectives highly motivates me. Efficiency must be paired with being effective. Achieving goals through my purposive action is one of my main reasons to work. Accomplishing a given task or objective properly and efficiently are my personal goals.



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

As a fresh graduate, I do not have any professional accomplishments as of yet. As for my personal accomplishments, I am most proud of graduating with a Management Accounting degree. Accounting, especially in a school like University of St. La Salle, is considered a difficult course and graduating with above average grades is one of my greatest accomplishments. Aside from that, graduating as part of Top 10% in my high school was also one of the things I am most proud of. Being considered as one of the top students of your batch gives a reward to my hard work and focus on academics. Lastly, graduating as Salutatorian in elementary was also one of my proudest moments. I still remember the exciting and thrilling emotions I felt as they hung medal upon medal on my neck. Almost all of my achievements are academic in nature, reflecting my focus on school throughout the years. Now that I am done with my studies, I hope that one day I can proudly enumerate my professional accomplishments.