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Reflection on My Interview with Engr. Jimlord Quejado

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Introduction

interview of Engr. Jimlord Quejado, a BS Computer Engineering alumnus, Class of 2025, was one of my activities related to the theme "Life After Graduation". The main goal of the interview was to have a graduate's point of view from the local area as first-hand evidence. We focused on his transition from school to career, his way through the challenges, and, of course, the advice he would give to current students.

Summary of the Interview

After college, one of the main things he struggled with was getting a job and he was very honest about it. He was a junior engineer in a tech company at the start of his career and later on, he took over as the leader of a team. The thing that most affected him was that the rapid changes at work were difficult for him to get used to and he had to be always on the move to learn something new. To emphasize this point, he stated, "Learning doesn't stop after graduation" and thereby he advised me to always seek self-improvement.

Moreover, he also talked about some milestones apart from this one such as when he was in charge of a project that led to the company's efficiency increase. Engr. Jimlord believed that being well-connected and having the right people in your network mattered most for him. As a piece of advice, he implied that one should not hesitate to ask for help and at the same time, be willing to learn something new.

Personal Reflection

What surprised me the most about the interview was how honest Engr. Jimlord's answers were, before and after college, and even in his work life. He made it clear that, even after getting a diploma, there are still battles to be fought outside of college. Learning never stops and I was even surprised that someone like him was still somewhat of a student when he revealed to us that he was pursuing his master's degree.

Among other things he revealed to us some insider knowledge that will help us with our course, such as setting up a home environment early on and getting familiar with a multitude of coding languages, he also revealed that he was proud of us for showing visible signs of progress in our coding abilities, basically signs that we were learning what he was teaching us, and that made me feel warm inside.

His words about almost wanting to quit but was stopped by the support of his friends taught me that making friends and connections is another important part in getting through college, something that I'm struggling with at the moment, though his determination inspires me somewhat. I also learned from him that my time management and multitasking skills will continue to evolve as the years go on and things get tougher. I just hope I won't get too addicted to coffee by the end of it.

Connection to Course or Program

The most prominent point to me being the very and only one was the interview which was the point, honestly, that Jimlord, in face of difficulty, was telling his post-graduate experience very straightforwardly. He went on to say that a diploma is no guarantee for a smooth journey. On the contrary, we have to work much harder

Appendices



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