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Prof. Vicki Jardiolin-Villa

Dear Ma’am Vicki

I, Jamie Anacleto, a 3rd year BS Computer Science student of the University of the Philippines Visayas and your scholar in VBBSP, am writing to appeal my current status in your scholarship program. Last 1st semester I received two 4.0s, one in Statistics (Stat 105) and one in Database systems (CMSC 127). I was lucky enough to be allowed by my professor to take a removal exam in CMSC127 during enrollment period, thankfully enough I passed, and now I have a grade of 3.0. As for Stat105, I will take a removal exam Tuesday next week, I will study for it, and I pray that I will pass. My professor did not respond to my emails during the sem-break period so I had to ask her personally when classes were already on-going. But another thing is, even if I pass Stat105, I will have a GWA of 2.91 for last semester, which according to the rules of VBBSP, is insufficient to maintain my scholarship. I was disappointed with myself for last semester because I was not able to get better grades than what I have received. But I would like to believe that knowledge should not only be gained from within the four corners of the classroom, because staying here in UP does not only mean getting a grade of 1.0 in every subject. It’s becoming a responsible person, it’s finding out for yourself the things teachers don’t teach inside the classroom, and most importantly, it means to get used to what the real world is like, much like growing up. These were the things that kept me busy for all the times I did not study enough for a long test, for every time I could not attend class, and for every time my teacher asked me why I was so distracted, it’s because the lessons inside the classroom, for me, are not the most important. But still, University policy binds me to comply in order to get a diploma. So Ma’am, I humbly ask of you for my last chance in this scholarship, to get better grades and to push myself to work harder. I am hoping for your kind consideration.

Humbly yours,

Jamie Anacleto