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Career Objective

I am initiating to forward more sustainable solutions and technologies for a more inclusive future. Demonstrated strengths include:

- Project Management
- Quality Control
- Budgeting and Financial Reporting
- People Management

Work Experience

Kantar Philippines Inc. — Associate Project Manager (Aug 2021 to present)

- Troubleshoots and performs root causes analyses to resolve any data and analytics issues, resolving at least 20 tickets, and prevented more, saving upwards of 23% in project resources in terms of work-hours.
- Has executed at least 15 Level-3 (complex) projects with production teams to ensure timely and accurate delivery of outcomes as per Scope of Work, which received glowing reviews from stakeholders.
- Mentors team members on project delivery using data analytics tools and best analytics management practices.

Jones Lang LaSalle (Philippines), Inc. — Assistant Project Manager (3 years)

- Led multiple project teams, some consisting of 10+ stakeholders including Designers, Consultants, Contractors, and other Vendors to implement the activities of each project to ensure cost, schedule, document control, and quality standards of evolving real estate industry are met
- Handled multiple projects simultaneously—up to three at any given time, each amounting to at least PHP 5 million (~USD 90,000)—at various stages and locations, usually within business districts in Metro Manila.
- Guaranteed all works to be up to date with the latest standards and codes of the industry, and confidently addressed any concern on site

Archen Technologies, Inc. — Project Engineer (2 years)

- Oversaw compliance with standards and specifications during planning and coordinating technical engineering initiatives for Petron as they expand their Oil & Gas operations nationwide.
- Managed projects from their conceptualization to completion, amounting to PHP 300 million (~USD 5.37 million) on my first year alone.
- Documented budgetary, scheduling, and project databases, which had been used to generate reports on progress as well as risk management that could affect cost or schedule.

Education and Training

Creative Problem Solving for Technologists — LinkedIn Learning (2023)

Python 3+ — “Automate the Boring Stuff” Practical Programming (2020)

Registered Electrical Engineer — licensed engineer under the Philippine Regulatory Commission (2014 to present)

BSc. Electrical Engineering — Technological University of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines

Academic Scholar — Philippine Department of Science and Technology, Science Education Institute (2009 – 2014)

Community Involvement

Silliman University — Research (6 months)

Zero Waste neighborhood stores project (a Silliman University – University of London SOAS collaborative project) to develop a national network in support of small, community-based, Zero Waste neighborhood stores serving low- to middle-income families.

Project Description and Rationale: For more than 500 years, traditional stores in the Philippines served their communities through a system of bartering and the use of reusable containers and dispensing-refilling systems to provide goods locally sourced. This practice was disrupted during the US colonial period with the entry of industrial agriculture and multinational corporations. Consumer goods by large multinationals were introduced in small, single-use plastic sachets as part of a strategy in the 1960s to extract profits from the “bottom of the pyramid,” that is, from low-income households. Today, Filipinos discard every day over 164 million sachets and 93 million single-use plastic bags that end up in our environment. The project started a national network to re-envision, re-create, and support the 1.1 million small neighborhood stores, mostly run by women, into “Zero Waste stores” which were broadly defined as stores that return to the traditional reuse-dispensing-refilling system, while also providing eco-friendly goods in sustainable packaging sourced from small local farmers, fisherfolk, and artisans, as well as promoting products that build self-sufficiency.

Activities as a Researcher: engagement with small community stores, conducting surveys of store owners and customers, gathering of store inventory and other data, collation of results, and providing feedback on barriers to the expansion of Zero Waste stores in the country and possible solutions.

Greenpeace — Volunteer and Contributor (4 years)

Volunteered in the Brand Audit 2019, a participatory science initiative conducted along Manila Bay, Manila, that involved counting and documenting the brands found on plastic waste to help identify the companies responsible for plastic pollution.

Provided monetary contributions and supported campaigns that safeguard “the Filipino’s constitutional rights to a balanced and healthful ecology” including campaigns on climate justice, opposing plastic pollution, banning the dumping of foreign waste, protecting the oceans, supporting clean and safe energy, and the campaign against climate-harmful industrial agriculture and in support of resilient food and farm systems grounded on ecological farming principles.

Languages

Human Filipino (native), English (fluent in speaking and writing)

Computer Unix Shell Scripting (basic), C (basic), Python 3+ (basic), HTML + CSS (basic)

Interests

Reading, Creative Endeavors, Programming, Cycling, Repair and Upcycling, Watching Films, Brutalist Web Development (a minimalist approach to web design that focuses on functionality over form)