

## 1. Title Page

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## 2. Introduction (1 paragraph)

For our last course requirement on exploring post-graduation life, We interviewed Mr. Jomarie Dayupa, a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering graduate from the Technological Institute of the Philippines - Quezon City Campus, Class of 2025. Our interview focused on his career path, the challenges he faced as a new graduate, the lessons he carried from college, and the advice he offered to current us, Computer Engineering students.

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## 3. Summary of the Interview (1–2 paragraphs)

Mr. Jomarie Dupaya shared his experiences after graduating from BSCPE, he initially pursued robotics but later on shifted to cybersecurity because of the competitive nature of the field. Throughout his journey, he faced various challenges, but he emphasized that collaboration with friends, colleagues, and professors helped him overcome difficulties, especially with technical topics. He also mentioned that research helped him with strengthening his understanding about the topics that he has trouble with.

He explained that computer networking became the most valuable skill he gained from college, as it serves as a strong foundation for many technology-related careers. My. Dupaya encouraged us to build connections, invest early in skills beyond the program curriculum, and apply what we learn outside the classroom. While he feels it is still early to measure his long-term success, he hopes that his CPE background and experience will eventually help him achieve his goal of building a firm of his own or to build a firm with his group of friends someday.

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## 4. Personal Reflection (2–3 paragraphs)

What struck us the most in the interview was Mr. Dupaya's honesty about how career paths do not always unfold the way we expect them to. His shift from robotics to cybersecurity reminded us that flexibility is just as important as ambition and dedication, especially in a competitive industry like computer engineering. We found this reassuring, knowing that it's normal for plans to change and for new opportunities to open up in ways that we don't expect them to appear.

Another part that inspired me was his emphasis on collaboration and connection. Hearing how much he relied on his colleagues and professors made me realize that success can't be built alone. It encouraged us to value our own peers more, as they may become lifelong collaborators, connections in the industry, or even future partners in projects and businesses. His point about communication skills and teamwork being just as important as technical skills changed the way we look at our own development as a freshmen student.

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## **5. Connection to Course or Program (1 paragraph)**

The interview reinforced lessons we learn in the CPE program, especially the importance of mastering the fundamentals skills like networking and to constantly improve our knowledge and skills. His experiences gave us real-world validation to concepts discussed in our classes, showing how these lessons became actual career requirements. It also emphasized the importance of self-learning and adaptability to our surroundings—two qualities that are highlighted in our program but become more meaningful when seen through an alumnus' experience.

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## **6. Conclusion (1 paragraph)**

Overall, the interview with Mr. Jomarie Dupaya was a meaningful and eye opening experience. His journey, insights, and advice helped us better understand the realities of life after graduation and the importance of preparation, collaboration, and lifelong learning. We are grateful for the time and knowledge he lent us, and we hope to stay in touch with him as we continue our journey as a CPE student.

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## **7. Appendices**

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