



ENDORSEMENT

May 2, 2022

Dr. Edgardo E. Tulin
President
Visayas State University

Thru: **Dr. Beatriz S. Belonias**
Chairman, Academic Personnel Board (APB), VSU

Dear **Dr. Tulin**:

This is to inform your office that Ms. Marejen A. Villaremo informed us about the result of her qualifying exam for a Ph.D. in Extension Education at the University of the Philippines, Los Baños. It is with a heavy heart that the committee said she's not qualified.

In relation to that, Ms. Villaremo is asking your good office for her to transfer to another reputable university. Her committee suggested dropping her subject in order to avoid receiving a grade of 5.0. She is now processing her dropping slip for the courses she enrolled in this semester. Attached are her previous grades and dropping form for this semester for your reference.

Furthermore, the Eco-FARMI Personnel Committee endorses Ms. Villaremo's reinstatement effective May 2, 2022, while she searches for another university to continue her studies in her chosen field.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

DHENBER C. LUSANTA
OIC Director, Eco FARMI

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March 26, 2022

EDGARDO E. TULIN

President,
Visayas State University,
Baybay City, Leyte 6521

Thru: **Mr. Dhenber C. Lusanta**
OIC-Director, Eco-FARMI

Dear Dr. Tulin,

Greetings of Peace and Prosperity!

I'm writing to inform your good office concerning the result of my qualifying exam for a Ph.D. in Extension Education at the University of the Philippines, Los Baños. The said exam was conducted last March 2022 since it was deferred various times due to late approval of my Guidance Advisory Committee and natural misfortunes, which hindered my exam. Graduate students can only apply for the Qualifying Exam in the College of Public Affairs (CPAf) after the approval of the Nomination of Guidance Advisory Committee and to be applied after finishing at least 12 units of the academic courses.

In my case, under CPAf, the qualifying exam is not just about chatting about what courses/subjects I already acquired, what I learned from those subjects, and my possible dissertation topics to be piloted. Still, as I expected, it was a sort of a mini-comprehensive examination since I had already finished three semesters. The Q&A revolved around different theories' concepts, perspectives, and applications. Beforehand my qualifying exam, I allocated ample time to study all my subjects for three semesters, and I did my best to answer all their questions. With a heavy heart and sad feeling, maybe this is not for me. After my exam, they said that I'm not qualified, I'm not ripe enough to pursue my degree, and I'm still young. I still have many opportunities to come along my way. It's not easy because I did my best in everything I did; maybe God allowed it to happen because he has a better plan on how and where I will gain my degree. Even if it hurt so much, I'm still thankful for all the learnings and experiences I've been through in my studies at UPLB under blended learning. We know that blended learning is not easy, especially in UPLB, where I wield a lot of effort, adjustments, and sacrifices in my studies. I'm still optimistic about everything that I went through.

Furthermore, with all the trials that I've confronted over the last three semesters and now that I cannot continue with my Ph.D. in UPLB, I did not lose any hope that I cannot fulfill my dream of finishing my degree. I believe that all the knowledge that I gained during my previous semesters in UPLB will advance me in building a solid foundation in continuing and chasing the dream of finishing my Ph.D. I feel more defied and eager to pursue my degree in other reputable universities. Maybe UPLB is not the only reputable university for this degree, and I believe there is another university that will make my dream of reaping my degree if given another chance. I guarantee to do my very best in this endeavor.

In relation, I'm asking your good office if ever I could transfer to other reputable universities. A university that will credit the subjects I already gained for the past three academic semesters.

I only need one more semester to complete my academic year aside from one more year for dissertation study. Moreover, I'm asking for reinstatement effective May 2, 2022, while I'm still looking for a reputable university to continue the pursuit of my chosen ground. Likewise, my committee suggested dropping my subject for this semester earlier rather than discontinuing it at the end of the semester and having a grade of 5.0. So, I am already processing my dropping slip for the courses I enrolled in this semester. Attached are my previous grades and dropping form for this semester for your reference.

Thank you very much, and I'm hoping for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,


Marejer A. Villaremo
Instructor