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SUMMARY

Detail-oriented and research-driven professional with strong experience in environmental fieldwork, data analysis, public speaking, and community engagement. Skilled in facilitating qualitative and quantitative types of data collection and field inventories focused on climate adaptation and resource management. Proficient in cartography, technical writing, and research presentation. Adept at supporting project and office implementation through proposal writing, training facilitation, and office coordination. A dedicated person who believes that education is the bridge to shaping one's wisdom, morality, change, and future.

WORK EXPERIENCE

INSTITUTE FOR CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES

Jun 2025 – Present

Field Inventory Researcher

- Led in the conduct of Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) and Key Informant Interviews (KIIs) for the policy analysis on improving the effectiveness of the Community-Based Forest Management Agreement (CBFMA) in communities and organizations in Catbalogan and Samar Island Natural Park, Paranas, Samar, and its analysis and interpretation of the data gathered;
- Served as the Cartographer for the areas visited during the FGD and KII; and
- Assisted in generating reports for the Said Research Project

REGIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Sept 2024 – Present

Science Research Assistant–Research and Data Analysis

- Led in the conduct of FGDs and KIIs for the scoping assessment of LGUs' climate change adaptive capacity in climate-prone and vulnerable areas in Eastern Visayas, and its analysis and interpretation of the data gathered;
- Spearheaded the making of the research article and terminal report on the scoping assessment of LGUs' climate change adaptive capacity in climate-prone and vulnerable areas in Eastern Visayas;
- Submitted a Research Proposal for the estimation and tracking of greenhouse gas emissions in the Visayas State University–Main Campus;
- Led in the conduct of data collection, analysis, and interpretation for the estimation and tracking of greenhouse gas emissions in the Visayas State University–Main Campus;
- Served as a Presenter in various settings, especially during the Annual In-House Research, Development, and Extension (RDE) Review; and
- Facilitated and served as a Resource Person in organizing and conducting virtual/physical trainings/conferences

OXFAM PILIPINAS & ECLIPSE, INC.

Oct 2024 – Oct 2024

Field Inventory Researcher

- Led the transect walking and plotting for data collection during the field inventory of mangroves in Hilongos, Leyte for the Project CHARM; and
- Served as the Cartographer for the field inventory

EDUCATION

VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY–MAIN CAMPUS

Sept 2020 – Aug 2024

Bachelor of Science in Meteorology, Cum Laude

- Relevant Coursework: Fundamentals of Meteorology, Weather and Climate Forecasting, Climatology and Climate Change, Physical and Dynamic Meteorology
- Final GPA: 1.566

KEY SKILLS

- Weather Research and Forecasting Model
- Python & C Programming Languages
- HTML & CSS Markup and Stylesheet Languages
- Open Broadcaster Software
- Panoply
- IPCC Greenhouse Gases Inventory Software
- GIS and Remote Sensing
- Microsoft Office Suite Software
- Teamwork and Leadership
- Oral and Written Communication
- Research and Extension
- Organizational