Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Information

DATE OF BIRTH : July 17, 1974

PLACE OF BIRTH : Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon

NATIONALITY : Filipino SEX : Female

RELEGION : Roman Catholic

CIVIL STATUS : Married

SPOUSE : Winfild E. Buscato

CHILD : Quan Fei Aishielle G. Buscato

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Educational Background

GRADUATE STUDIES: Master of Science in Weed Science

(Minor: Plant Pathology)

Leyte State University, ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte

2003

BACCALAUREATE : Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (Major in Plant Protection)

Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA)

Baybay, Leyte

1996

SECONDARY : Libona National High School (1st Honorable Mention)

Libona, Bukidnon

1992

ELEMENTARY : Pardo Elementary School (with Honors)

Pardo, Cebu City

1988

Eligibility, National Competencies and Professional License:

• Licensure Examination for Agriculturist (LEA) Passer (taken in Cebu City last July 2004).

PRC Registration No. : 0001779

Registration Date : August 30, 2004

- National Certificate II in Animal Production (Poultry-Chicken) Holder given by the Philippine Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Trainers Qualification System (PTTQS) of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) (December 8, 2018 – December 8, 2023)
- National TVET Trainer Certificate Level I (Horticulture NC II) Holder given by the Philippine Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Trainers Qualification System (PTTQS) of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) - 2015
- Trainers Methodology Certificate I holder given by the Philippine Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Trainers Qualification System (PTTQS) of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) - 2014
- National TVET Trainer Certificate Level I (Horticulture NC II) Holder given by the Philippine Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Trainers Qualification System (PTTQS) of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) - 2014

Work Experience

| Nature of Work/Position | Institution & Address | Inclusive Dates |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| ☐ College Instructor | BISU-Bilar Campus, Bilar, Bohol | 2022 – present |
| ☐ Assistant Professor | Silliman University, Dumaguete City | 2004 – 2022 |
| ☐ Part Time Instructor | Leyte State University, Baybay, Leyte | 2001 – 2002 |
| ☐ Graduate Research Assistant | ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte | 1998 – 2001 |
| ☐ Science Research Assistant | ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte | 1997 – 1998 |
| ☐ Graduate Research Assistant | ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte | 1996 – 1997 |

Special Skills

- Computer Literate (e.g., Microsoft Word, Excel, and Power Point; Data Processing and Analysis Statistical Package for the Social Sciences and Systat; Corel Draw; Adobe Photoshop)
- ☐ Identification and Classification of Weeds
- Isolation and Diagnostic Examination of Plant Diseases

Research Conducted

| Nature of Study | Title | Involvement | Duration | Funding Agency |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Terminal Report | Some Aspects on the Biology of Tropic Ageratum: I. Germinability and Growth Characteristics of Two Types of Tropic Ageratum (Ageratum conyzoides L.) II. Allelopathic and Competitive Effects of Tropic Ageratum (Ageratum conyzoides L.) Against Upland Rice (Oryza sativa L.) | Graduate Researcher | 2000 - 2003 | International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) |
| MS Thesis | Allelopathic and Competitive Effects of Tropic Ageratum (Ageratum conyzoides L.) Against Upland Rice (Oryza sativa L.) | Student Researcher | 1998 - 2003 | International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) |
| Project | Field Evaluation of Asyang [Mikania cordata (Burm.f.) B.L. Robinson] Against Golden Kuhol (Pomocea canaliculata Lamarck) | Graduate Research Assistant | 1996 - 1998 | gtz (German Government) |
| Project | Ethnobotanical Knowledge of Farmers in Baybay, Leyte, Philippines | Science Research Assistant | 1996 - 1997 | gtz (German Government) |
| Project | Survey, Collection and identification of plant Species Associated with Different Stages of Growth of Forest Trees in Mt. Pangasugan | Science Research Assistant | 1996 - 1997 | gtz (German Government) |
| Project | Life Cycle and Gross Morphology of Weedy Rice (<i>Oryza sativa</i> L.) | Student Researcher | 1995 - 1996 | International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) |

Awards and Recognition:

Title Co-Adviser for Winning the Local Science Fair Poster Contest (1st Place High School Level) Outstanding Basic Research (Bronze Category) Best Undergraduate Thesis Award in Weed Science Title Leyte State University Laboratory High School School VICARP 1998 PMCP-WSSP 1996

Published Research Papers:

- Guzman, M.P. and L.M. Noriel. 2005. Allelopathic Effects of Tropic Ageratum (*Ageratum conyzoides* L.) Against Upland Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.). Weed Science Society of the Philippines Journal.
- Guzman, M.P. and L.M. Noriel. 2005. Competitive Effects of Tropic Ageratum (*Ageratum conyzoides* L.) Against Upland Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.). Weed Science Society of the Philippines Journal.
- Noriel, L.M. and Guzman, M.P. 2003. Some Aspects on the Biology of Tropic Ageratum: Germinability and Growth Characteristics of Two Types of Tropic Ageratum (*Ageratum conyzoides* L.). Annals of Tropical Research (ATR).
- Noriel, L.M., J. Margraf, F.M.Y. Duatin and M.P, Guzman. 1998. Botanical Control of Golden Kuhol (*Pomocea canaliculata* Lamarck) using Asyang [*Mikania cordata* (Burm. F.) B.L.
 - Robinson]. International Conference on Applied Tropical Ecology: Aspects of Ecosystem Management in Tropical Asia. September 8-10, 1998. ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte, Philippines. (Abstract).
- Noriel, L.M., F.M.Y. Duatin and M.P., Guzman. 1998. Ethnobotanical Knowledge of Farmers in Baybay, Leyte, Philippines. International Conference on Applied Tropical Ecology: Aspects of Ecosystem Management in Tropical Asia. September 8-10, 1998. ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte, Philippines. (Abstract).
- Noriel, L.M., F.M.Y. Duatin and M.P., Guzman. 1998. Survey, Collection and Identification of Plant Species Associated with Different Stages of Growth of Forest Trees in Mt. Pangasugan. International Conference on Applied Tropical Ecology: Aspects of Ecosystem Management in Tropical Asia. September 8-10, 1998. ViSCA, Baybay, Leyte, Philippines. (Abstract).
- Guzman, M.P. and L.M. Noriel. 1997. Life Cycle and Gross Morphology of Weedy Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.). Annals of Tropical Research (ATR).

Character References:

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