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**DR. DEEJAY M. LUMANAO**

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Dear **Dr. Lumanao**,

Good day!

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my interest to apply for the advertised position of the Department of Soil Science at Visayas State University. I am Arwin O. Arribado, graduated with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture, majoring in Soil Science, in 2016 and a master's degree in Soil Science in 2018, both from Visayas State University, where my studies focused on soil fertility assessment and soil classification.

My academic training, combined with six (6) years of teaching experience at Cebu Technological University (CTU) – Argao Campus and Visayas State University (VSU) - Alangalang, has equipped me with a strong foundation in soil science and a passion for inspiring and developing students to achieve their full potential.

As a part-time faculty at CTU-Argao, I handled several courses such as principles of soil science, soil survey and classification, and crop production. Moreover, I was also an adviser of several student's theses. Currently, I work as an assistant Professor at VSU-Alangalang, and I am handling several agricultural courses such as principles of soil science, soil fertility, conservation and management, and ecological agriculture, colloquium (pre-board). I also serve as adviser for several student's theses.

Beyond teaching, I have also actively engaged in research, wherein I served as a study leader of two (2) research studies, and co-researcher of several studies related to agriculture, soil science and environmental science. As an output of our researches, we produced several publications in international peer-reviewed journals. Additionally, I also presented my research outputs in a research conference in local and international settings. In connection, I am enthusiastic about the possibility of collaborating with fellow faculty members and students in your institution to advance research initiatives and contribute to its mission of academic excellence and community service.

With my good background in the field of soil science, with the extensive teaching and research experiences, I am excited and willing to bring my knowledge and skills to contribute to the goals and objectives of the department and institution in terms of instruction and research.

Actually, I am currently working as an assistant Professor I at VSU-Alangalang, and I don't have any problem working in this institution. Though, the advertised position is lower than my current rank, but I am still interested to apply for this position because of the personal important reasons, such as family matter and the proximity of the place to my permanent residence.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity of being interviewed to discuss my capability for this position. I can be reached through this phone number, 09551463665 or at my email address, [aoarribado@gmail.com](mailto:aoarribado@gmail.com). My curriculum vitae and other necessary documents are attached on this letter for your reference.

Thank you very much.

Truly yours,

Arwin O. Arribado