

Dear Hiring Manager,

I hope this message finds you well. I am thrilled to apply for the Department of Tourism Management instructor position at Visayas State University. This opportunity deeply resonates with my desire to contribute to the growth of education in the Philippines and give back to my compatriots by sharing the knowledge and opportunities I have gained throughout my academic and professional journey.

My academic background has provided me with a strong foundation to support this mission. I hold a bachelor's degree in information technology from Caraga State University and a second bachelor's degree in Tourism Management from Inholland University of Applied Sciences in the Netherlands. I also had the privilege of participating in an exchange program at Laurea University of Applied Sciences in Finland, where I gained valuable insights into Hospitality Management and Service Design. Currently, I am pursuing a master's degree in Tourism, Society, and Environment at Wageningen University & Research in the Netherlands and I am currently undertaking my master's thesis. These experiences have broadened my perspective and deepened my understanding of sustainable practices and global tourism management.

What motivates me most about this role is the opportunity to share these insights and inspire the next generation of tourism professionals in the Philippines. Education is a powerful tool for empowering individuals and communities. By teaching, I hope to contribute to building a more sustainable and innovative tourism industry in our country—one that values environmental stewardship, community engagement, and responsible growth. My experiences abroad have taught me the importance of bridging global perspectives with local realities, and I am eager to equip Filipino students with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in this dynamic industry.

Beyond academics, I am driven by a profound purpose to give back to the community. This role would allow me to pay forward the opportunities I have been fortunate to receive and create avenues for others to access similar growth. Through education, I hope to contribute to nurturing a generation of tourism leaders who will drive positive change in our industry and society.

As I currently reside in the Netherlands, I am fully equipped to deliver high-quality online lectures, ensuring flexibility and continuity. Should a physical presence be required, I am more than willing to explore hybrid or part-time arrangements to support the department's goals effectively.

Thank you for considering my application. I would be honored to discuss how my experiences and passion for education align with the vision of Visayas State University. Together, we can create meaningful contributions to the academic community and the tourism industry.

Best regards,
Alvin Dave Sarzate