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CAREER OBJECTIVE

I am a graduate of Bachelor of Science in Biology, major in Ecology, seeking a part-time job where I can apply my academic background, organizational skills, and keen attention to detail. With strong communication abilities and a willingness to learn, I am eager to contribute to a professional environment. I aim to grow both personally and professionally while supporting the goals of this institute and continuously developing new skills.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Gender	:	Female
Age	:	22
Date of Birth	:	July 29, 2002
Place of Birth	:	Baybay City, Leyte
Civil Status	:	Single
Citizenship	:	Filipino
Religion	:	Roman Catholic

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Tertiary: Bachelor of Science in Biology in Visayas State University S.Y. 2021-2025
Secondary: Visayas State University Integrated High School S.Y. 2015-2019
Primary: Kilim Elementary School S.Y. 2009-2015

JOB QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS

- Knowledgeable in field sampling techniques for environmental and ecological data collection.
- Well-experienced in conducting socio-economic surveys in both rural and coastal communities.
- Familiarity with coastal and marine ecosystems such as mangroves, and fisheries.
- Detail-oriented and capable of strictly following scientific protocols.
- Can communicate in Bisaya, Tagalog and English.
- Effective communication skills, especially in the local dialect.

- Skilled in using digital data-gathering tools, including mobile survey applications such as KoboCollect.
- Proficient in accurate data recording, systematic organization, and preparation of scientific documentation.
- Proficient in working with MS Word and MS Excel.
- Keeps records clean, reliable and accurate.

WORK EXPERIENCE

On-the-Job Trainee

Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) – Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Maasin City, Southern Leyte. June 13, 2024 – July 12, 2024

Conducted socio-economic surveys in various barangays of Maasin City and the Municipality of Bontoc, focusing on human settlements within mangrove ecosystems and near watershed areas.

SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS & TRAININGS ATTENDED (2023-2025)

OBioSpeaks: The Green and Blue Tapestry of Life

Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte. Obios Week 2025. February 15, 2025.

Eco-parks and Sustainability: Transforming the Environment Through Community Involvement

Baguio City. Cordillera Young Leaders Club. January 27, 2025.

National Launch of the Courage for Climate Campaign

Webinar through Zoom. Greenpeace Southeast Asia – Philippines. September 13, 2024.

Pathways to a Green World: Empowering Local Action and Open Mapping for Climate Adaptation and Resilience

San Jose del Monte City, Philippines. Open Mapping Guru Project 2024. November 23, 2024

Biodiversity: Bringing Value Back to it's Core through Science and Context-Based Environmental Conservation, Protection and Management

Nueva Ecija University of Science and Technology, Cabanatuan City, Philippines. Training for Environmental Research and Advocacy – Unifying Sustainable Actions Program (TeRA-USAP) 2024. October 11, 2024 via Zoom Online Platform.

Prevention of Wildlife Trafficking

Traffic the Wildlife Trade Monitoring Network. FIA TRA001. September 28, 2023.

Vital Sites: Designing and managing protected and conserved areas to support inland water ecosystems and biodiversity.

United States (US). IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA). March 5, 2025 via Zoom Online Platform.

Field and Remote Mapping: Kobo Toolbox and HOT Tasking Manager Training Workshop

Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte. Viscan YouthMappers Organization. November 13, 2024.

MAPAangat: Ang Ikalawang Kabanata

Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte. Viscan YouthMappers Organization. October 17, 2023.

RESEARCH

Unpublished:

Benitez, K. M., Cuadra, M. E. J., Demeterio, N. F. L., Piad, N. S. B., Piamonte, J. N. M. 2019. Effects of different levels of nutrient solution on the growth performance and quality of sweet plants grown under hydroponics system.

Benitez, K. M. 2025. The distribution and diversity of macrobenthic invertebrates in the mangrove areas of Palhi, Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines.

ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the Organization of Biology Students, 2021-2025.

Member of the Faculty of Natural and Mathematical Sciences, 2021-2025.

CHARACTER REFERENCES

Analyn M. Mazo, PhD.

Thesis Adviser

Department of Biological Sciences

Visayas State University – Main Campus