# KAREN O. PAŇA

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#### **OBJECTIVE:**

I aspire to utilize my passionate understanding in the field of forestry using my background in ecological research and environmental education. I also aim to motivate and educate future forestry experts, promoting interactive learning experiences and conducting meaningful research that upholds sustainable forestry practices for the benefit of people and the environment.

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Age: 27

Date of Birth: July 29, 1997 Place of Birth: Baybay, Leyte

Height: 1.51 m Weight: 50 kg Nationality: Filipino Religion: Baptist

Language Spoken: English, Tagalog, Bisaya

Civil Status: Single

#### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Year	School	<b>Organizations Involved</b>
2022-2024	Visayas State University (Visca Baybay City, Leyte) Master of Science in Forestry DOST-ASTHRDP Scholar	• Graduate Student Society: Forestry Representative
2014-2021	Visayas State University (Visca Baybay City, Leyte) Bachelor of Science in Forestry Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (1 <sup>st</sup> year – 3 <sup>rd</sup> year)	<ul> <li>Forestry Student Society: President (2018-2019)</li> <li>College of Forestry and Environmental Science – Supreme Student Council (SSC): Board Member (2018-2019)</li> </ul>
2010-2014	Makinhas National High School (Makinhas Baybay City, Leyte)	<ul><li>YES-O President (2013-2014)</li><li>SSG President (2013-2014)</li></ul>

• Photojournalism Participant Regional Level (2012) – Campus Journalism

2004-2010 Kambonggan Elementary School (Kambonggan Baybay City,

Leyte)

• SPG President (2009-2010)

# **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

<b>Honors Received</b>	Time Frame	Date Awarded
Dean's Lister	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester SY 2022-2023	May 17, 2024
President's Lister	1 <sup>st</sup> semester SY 2022-2023	June 16, 2023

## TRAININGS AND SEMINARS ATTENDED:

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Date	Place or Institution	Title of Training or Seminar			
April 11, 2025	Visayas State University	<ul> <li>Webinar Series on Climate- Resilient Forestry: Sustainable Practices for the Future – Module 1 Introduction to Climate- Resilient Forestry (4 CPD Units)</li> </ul>			
December 2, 2024	University of the Philippines – Los Banos (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Identifying plants for Priority Conservation in Samar Island Natural Park Forests over Limestone using a Localized Conservation Priority Index</li> </ul>			
October 16, 2024	DOST – PCAARRD	<ul> <li>Introduction to Genomics for Wildlife Conservation</li> </ul>			
September 9, 2024	Visayas State University	<ul> <li>ISO 9001:2015 Awareness &amp; Re- Awareness Seminar</li> </ul>			
August 19, 2024	University of the Philippines – Los Banos (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Empowering BOSIS: Sustainable Resource Utilization and Capacity Building in Kaigangan - Updates on Extension Activities: Vinegar Production, Nursery Improvement, and Gene Bank Establishment</li> </ul>			
August 16, 2024	Department of Forest Science – Visayas State University	<ul> <li>Forester's Licensure Examination Review Class 2024 (Review Master)</li> </ul>			
August 13, 2024	School of Environmental Science and Management UP Los Banos (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Space Technology and Applications to Agriculture and Natural Resources &amp; Climate Types and Climate Change</li> </ul>			

July 29, 2024	University of the Philippines – Los Banos (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Mapping the Distribution of Top Priority Plants in the Forests over Limestone Landscapes of Samar Island Natural Park, Philippines; Kaigangan Biodiversity Webinar Series</li> </ul>
November 29, 2023	Visayas State University	<ul> <li>One-Day Seminar Workshop on Circular Economy</li> </ul>
March 29-31, 2023	Visayas State University	<ul> <li>Training Workshop on Preparing Manuscripts for Publication</li> </ul>
December 5, 2022 December 9, 2021	Visayas State University University of the Philippines – Los Banos (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Recent Trends in Soil Research</li> <li>Agroforestry Research and Development Initiatives:</li> <li>Experiences of Visayas State University</li> </ul>
November 25, 2021	National Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Climate Resilient Pathways for Future Generation</li> </ul>
November 17, 2021	DENR-ERDB	<ul> <li>Effects of Climate Change on the Phenology of Forest Trees</li> </ul>
October 14, 2021	ALAB Solutions Inc. (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Eat Green: Decrease Your Carbon Footprint</li> </ul>
October 13, 2021	ALAB Solutions Inc. (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Sustainable Energy Source</li> </ul>
October 12, 2021	ALAB Solutions Inc. (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Pollution and Solution</li> </ul>
October 11, 2021	ALAB Solutions Inc. (Webinar)	<ul> <li>Climate Change and Ozone Depleting Substances</li> </ul>

# **SKILLS**

- Oriented in Microsoft Office Application:
  - o Microsoft Office Word
  - Microsoft Excel
  - Microsoft PowerPoint

## **OTHER COMPETENCIES**

- Licensed Forester.
- Has good interpersonal skills.
- Willing to work in a challenging environment.
- Has strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Has significant experiences and highly oriented in field works.
- Has significant background in tree/leaf identification.

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Applicant