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Dr. Aljay D. Valida  
Head, Department of Horticulture  
Visayas State University  
Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

Dear Dr. Valida,

I am writing to express my interest in the Part-Time Instructor 1 position in your esteemed department at Visayas State University. As a proud alumnus and as newly graduate student in the Master of Science in Horticulture program, I am eager to contribute my academic knowledge, research experience, and practical expertise to the development of future horticulture professionals at VSU.

During my academic journey, I graduated *cum laude* with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, majoring in Horticulture, from VSU in 2022. My graduate research focuses on the "Growth, Yield, and Post-Harvest Quality of Two Lettuce Cultivars (*Lactuca sativa* L.) Grown Under Nutrient Film Technique Hydroponic System as Influenced by Different Shade Net Colors." This work has provided me with a solid foundation in plant physiology, crop management, and modern cultivation techniques, which I am enthusiastic about sharing with students.

Beyond academics, I manage Green Hydro-Ormoc Vegetable Farm, a PhilGAP-certified enterprise specializing in highland vegetable production and hydroponics. This hands-on experience, combined with my training in Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), has equipped me with the practical knowledge needed to bridge theory and real-world applications in the classroom.

As a former President of the Graduate Student Society and an Church Youth leader, I have honed my leadership, communication, and mentoring skills. These experiences have prepared me to effectively guide and inspire students in their academic and professional pursuits.

I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to the Department of Horticulture. Enclosed are my personal data sheet and other supporting documents for your review.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to the success of Visayas State University as a part-time instructor.

Yours sincerely,

  
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