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Dear Dr. Batistel:

Greetings of Peace!

I am Analyn A. Escorial, and I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in being part of your esteemed institution as a part-time Instructor at the Department of Biological Sciences (DBS) at Visayas State University. When Associate Professor Eliza Dadole-Espinosa from the Institute of Tropical Ecology and Environmental Science informed me that the DBS is looking for instructors, I was thrilled to apply for this position. I believe that my bachelor's degree in biology from the University of the Philippines-Cebu and my solid practical experience in both laboratory research and fieldwork make me a great fit for this position. I am genuinely excited about the prospect of sharing my knowledge, skills, and experiences with the next generation of young Filipino researchers, honing their scientific curiosity.

In my previous role as a Science Research Technician I (ended June 2025) at the Coastal Resources Ecosystems Research and Development Extension Center (CRERDEC) under the Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), I had the opportunity to work on the STOP-COTS project, primarily assisting in the laboratory and field data collection of biophysical, environmental, and socioeconomic variables. Particularly, I have been involved in culturing *Vibrio* spp. from water samples collected from the field. Hence, I am familiar with microbiological techniques such as sterilization, bacterial culture, serial dilution, microscopy, and Gram-staining. During my undergraduate studies, I studied the biosynthesis of silver nanoparticles using bacterial extract from *Pseudomonas* spp. Hence, I am also familiar with secondary metabolites extraction, antimicrobial susceptibility testing, and *Caenorhabditis elegans* culturing.

Aside from laboratory analysis, I am also involved in STOP-COTS fieldwork, particularly in the quarterly *in situ* water quality assessments. I also conducted and facilitated interviews, focus group discussions, and meetings with local coastal communities and other project key stakeholders. My experience in facilitating meetings allowed me to enhance my interpersonal and communication skills, which

are essential in teaching. Further, I have also honed my scientific writing skills by analyzing the results of water assessments, microbiological analysis, and key informant interviews.

My experience in government service had solidified my passion for marine conservation and scientific research, further fueling my motivation to go back to academia and pursue research. While I do not yet have teaching experience, I am confident that I am prepared to undertake the responsibilities of an instructor at the Department of Biological Sciences. The knowledge I have gained during my undergraduate studies at UP Cebu and the practical skills I acquired at CRERDEC have thoroughly equipped me to effectively guide and inspire VSU students.

I hope that you will carefully review my application for employment and give serious consideration to granting me an interview. I am eager to discuss my potential role as a faculty member of the Department of Biological Sciences. As requested, please find my resume and transcript of records for additional details on my qualifications. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

ANALYN A. ESCORIAL

Applicant