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Alumnus Information

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Research Theme: Effect of Grazing Environment on Parasite Infection, Growth Performance, Blood Parameters and Gut Microbiota in Swine

Malo e Lelei, Hello to you all, pleasure to share you my journey as Pacific-LEADs participant.

Research

My research study was based on pig which are common livestock throughout the Pacific. Grazing of pigs is kind of similar raising method in the Pacific was being investigated, with thoroughly considering its advantages and disadvantages over intensive farming.



Current Duties

Returning to this organization of the same people, office and duties was not so interest, just the expectation level is

at new high and a small raise came with extra responsibilities.

Fortunately, this study has provided me with greater confident to drive our service into better level of performances. It has given me deeper scientific understanding of what we are actually carry out in the field or telling farmers to practice.

Through internal training and workshops within our organization I am able to share the skills and experiences I have gained.

Future Career Plan

If the chance is there to expand my capacity in the field of study, I will take it. Until then I still want to work as public servant except if somehow, I get fired.

I would want to lead this organization, create appropriate system of operation, identifying the gaps and challenges, and exploring the potentials that would help develop livestock sector in Tonga.

Message to Pacific-LEADS participants in Japan

Enjoy and appreciate the time and get along with any people unless it's a trap lol, respect the culture and understand the differences. Take the chance to travel around, and obtain as much knowledge and experiences within the short time you have in Japan



Malo, 'Ofa atu!