## **Personal essay questions**

Nursing: Master's and diploma in PHCNP

Personal essay questions play an important part in screening applicants for the Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (PHCNP) program. Your score is based on your ability to address all of the questions comprehensively. Answers that are too brief or very general will not receive a high grade. We suggest you include examples of your experiences to illustrate your responses. Your answers are a key factor in determining whether you are admitted to the PHCNP Diploma program.

## Instructions

- Answer the five questions below, numbering each answer to correspond to the question. Number your pages as well.
- Your answers must be typed, not exceed three double-spaced pages and be in APA format. Answers to each question do not have to be of equal length. We will only read the first three pages.
- Submit your answers in Word or PDF format with the rest of your admission documents by uploading them in uoDocs.

- 1. With limited spaces in this program, especially for the full-time program, I would like to be taken into consideration for the part time program as well (answer yes or no).
- 2. Why do you want to become a Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner?
- 3. What professional and personal qualities would you bring to the role of nurse practitioner in primary health care?
- 4. Describe what primary health care is and how you understand the role of the nurse practitioner in primary health care.
- 5. Given that each course requires at least 15 hours of preparation time per week, in addition to course and clinical placement hours (which may include travel within Eastern Ontario, for example), describe specific strategies you would use to meet the demands of the program.

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