

Examples of Questions for Holistic Admissions Process

- Why do you want to be a nurse?
- What experiences have you had that led you to choose this profession?
- Give a specific example of a conflict or challenge you have experienced where you used critical thinking skills to resolve it
- As a nurse, your patients may not share the same ethnicity, culture, or set of values as you do, describe a personal scenario that challenged your core values and explain how you responded?
- What unique contribution will you make to the program and the profession of nursing
- Many qualities can aid in one being a great nurse. Identify one of the following words that you feel best describes you and give an example from your life: Tenacious, leader, adaptable, detail-oriented, curious, versatile, respectful, assertive, organized, ethical, resilient
- Share about a time when you had to accomplish something with a team. What role did you play on that team? And what were your contributions?
- Tell me about a time when you disagreed with someone in an academic or professional setting. How did you come to a place of agreement or consensus?
- Discuss a person, incident, or experience in your life that prepared you most to become a nurse who will care for a diverse population of patients.
- All students can contribute to the creation of a diverse and inclusive environment when diversity is defined most broadly. Whether by a personal attribute, characteristic, culture, experience, or behavior please tell us how you believe you will contribute to the diversity of [University Name]/nursing profession.
- Share life experiences which have influenced your interest in nursing.
- Describe how your personal strengths, experiences, & aptitude will contribute to your success in nursing school and career in nursing (community service, leadership experience, healthcare experience).
- Explain the academic challenges, success, or obstacles in your life that impacted your ability to achieve your goals.
- Obtaining a college degree requires persistence and the ability to stay focused on the goal. Share with us a long-term goal that you had, the steps/process you took to obtain that goal, and how you overcame any obstacles that you encountered. This goal could be academic, personal, or extracurricular in nature.

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