Southern Connecticut State University  
School of Health and Human Services  
Department of Nursing Graduate Program

Admission Essay

The admission essay was formulated to allow members of the SCSU MSN Program Committee to learn more about each applicant. On a separate sheet of paper please answer each of the questions below in an essay format. The entire essay **may not exceed 500 words**, should be double-spaced, and printed in a 12 pt. font.

1. In what area of nursing are you currently employed? How would you describe your greatest strengths and weaknesses in the area of clinical practice?
2. What is your motivation for pursuing graduate nursing education?
3. Explain how you chose to pursue the MSN track you have chosen (Nurse Educator, Family Nurse Practitioner, or Clinical Nurse leader). Have you observed one of these professionals in practice?
4. Where do you see yourself working in 5 years? What would you like to accomplish?
5. In what way do you anticipate that an MSN will assist you in meeting your career goals?

By signing and dating below you are acknowledging that all the application information is complete, authentic and truthful.

___ Signature ___ Date ___

Please sign and submit this form along with your admission essay to **The Graduate School**.

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