

**Dixie State College  
Associate Degree Nursing Program  
Application Essay Scoring Rubric**

<b>Applicant's Number:</b>			
	<b>5 Points</b>	<b>3 Points</b>	<b>1 Point</b>
	<b>Accomplished</b>	<b>Acceptable</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>
<b>Grammar</b>	Sentences are well-built and strong, varied in structure. Words convey the message in an interesting and natural way. Errors in conventions tend to be few; minor editing may be required.	Most sentences are complete with some variety. Language is ordinary but gets the message across. Errors in conventions begin to impair readability; moderate editing is required.	Sentence flaws make this essay hard to read and understand. The writer uses limited vocabulary. Errors in conventions make the test difficult to read; extensive editing is required.
<b>Organization and content</b>	Information is presented in a logical sequence. Content and organization is clear. Transitions and clear connections are made.	Information is mostly presented in logical order. Transitions and connections are made.	Organization is not logical. Thesis lacks clear direction. Minimal or no transitions or connections.
<b>Goals</b>	Consistent with what program and profession has to offer.	Somewhat consistent with what program and profession has to offer.	Minimal or no consistency with what program and profession has to offer.
<b>Understanding of nurse characteristics</b>	Shows nearly complete to complete understanding. Thoroughly addresses.	Shows moderate understanding; some gaps in understanding identified. A few gaps in addressing the topic.	Shows minimal or no understanding. Does not or minimally addresses the topic.

**APPLICANT'S SCORE:     /20**