

## **Personal Statement**

### **Nursing Major - International Student from China**

#### **Education and Career Goals\***

Write a brief statement outlining your education and career goals; if undecided, state what you hope to gain from the college experience.

I would like to get a bachelor's degree in nursing and be a Registered Nurse (RN). What is more, I would like to try to get a master's degree to become a Nurse Practitioner so that I can work in a clinic and help the people who can't afford expensive medical care. California State University San Marcos is one of my ideal 4-year transfer institution as well as other state universities in California.

#### **Extracurricular Activities\***

List activities you are involved with both on and off campus; such as: clubs, organizations, volunteer service, and sports activities. If applicable, describe your employment experience and how many hours you work per week. Do your activities relate to your education or career objective?

- I am currently doing volunteer service in La Paloma Healthcare Center and Tri-City Hospital.
- On campus, I am a member of the International Club and was in the French club in the first semester.
- I am working as a peer leader for International Office for about five hours per week.
- I am a math tutor at the Math Learning Center.

All the activities and work I am doing and have done relate to my education and career objective. I always want to volunteer to be a nurse in an African country, and that is why I studied French and joined the French Club at school to improve my French. The peer leader and math tutoring help me to learn how to communicate and help others better, which is very important to a professional nurse as comforting and helping the patients are my career objectives.

#### **Other Information About Yourself\***

Please provide information you would like to share about yourself including accomplishments you are proud of, hardships or challenges you overcame in your life, scholarships and/or honors you received. Most importantly, state your financial need and how a scholarship will help you achieve your education goal.

I am an international student from Shanghai, China. I always want to study medicine in America as it is one of the top countries that have good medical industry. The tuition fees here in the United States are expensive for me. Language and culture difference were the challenges. However, after the ESL class and my hard work as well as my participation in all kinds of campus activities, my language is improved a lot and I have a better understanding and preference of the awesome American culture. Although I am working two jobs on campus, I hope I can get some financial aid to help me to get further education in nursing major. With the help of scholarship, I can focus more on my academic life instead of working a lot. Besides, I can volunteer more in hospitals and healthcare centers to prepare myself to be an excellent and professional nurse to help people to relieve their pain and sorrows.