

## Personal Statement Essays Nursing Major – Honors

### 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.

My major is to be a Registered Nurse, I am completing pre requisites to get into the nursing program in MiraCosta College. I have been a full time student since I started College, I am now in my fourth semester, enrolled in 12 units. I have been living in the United States for the past four years, before I was in Mexico where I was a Physician with a specialty in Family care. I came to the United States because I was held at gun point in Mexico. I would love to go back to work to a hospital to help people like I used to do. Since I have worked in the healthcare field before in my country, I know how much I love it, it brings joy to my heart to know that I am part of a community and that I am able to help others in some way. I want to have that back in my life and I am one step closer in achieving it by being in college.

### Extracurricular Activities\*

List activities you are involved with both on and off campus; for example, 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 grateful that I am volunteering at Tri-City Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit Department. It feels great to be part of my community. In this area I control who goes in the Intensive Care Unit, I also walk the families to the patient's room, and since I am bilingual, many people are thankful that I can talk to them in Spanish. This activity relates to my educational goal because I want to be a Registered Nurse, volunteering in a hospital is a great way to start being in this environment. I have also been crocheting baby hats to donate them to the newborn babies in the hospital, I learned to crochet watching YouTube videos. This scholarship motivates me to give the best of myself in my education and in life.

### 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 important, state your financial need and how a scholarship will help you achieve your education goal.

I have been on the president's list of MiraCosta College in three occasions, I am in the Honor Society, and I am member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honors.

I am the first member of my family to attend College, my father works in the fields in Mexico and my mother is a stay-at-home mom. I am a member of a family of 3, my husband, my five year old son, me. But my family is growing. I am currently pregnant. I will be sincere, this pregnancy was not planned, and I was very scared for what was going to happen with me and school. Fortunately, my baby girl will be born in summer; therefore, I will be able to go back to school for fall of this year, so I will not lose any semesters. I even found a daycare for her already.

My husband is the only one working, he is a very hardworking man, and he encourages me to keep going with my education, because we know that it is the only way that we can give our children a better future. However, even though my husband works really hard, he makes less than \$3,000 a month, and half of that money goes towards the rent of the one bedroom apartment where we live, and the rest towards my bus passes, health insurance, gas, food, and daycare for my son. I know it will get harder adding one more member to my family; however, I believe that education is fundamental to have a better future and be able to have a career that I can enjoy.