



College of Eastern Idaho

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CEI Registered Nursing Application Essay

As part of our admission process, you are required to submit an essay that describes why you would like to be a registered nurse and why you would be a valuable candidate for our program. Your essay should address your own personal philosophy of nursing and your goals to be successful in our program. Your essay will be reviewed by the Nursing Program Administrator, Health Care Divisions Manager, and assigned faculty based on an established grading rubric. This essay will allow faculty to evaluate your ability to communicate effectively through written word. All essays will be evaluated on the same grading criteria. Any evidence of plagiarism noted on the submitted essay will not be graded and applicant will not be accepted into the program.

Essay Format

- Maximum of two typed double-spaced pages
- Times New Roman 12 point font
- Left side notation prior to starting essay that includes the following:
 - School- College of Eastern Idaho
 - Date
 - Name of student
- Title in center of page

Grading Criteria:

- Content
 - Development of ideas
 - Thought provoking and authentic
 - Covers assigned topics
- Clarity
 - Grammar-sentence structure
 - Language Skills
 - Spelling
- Organization
 - Coherent
 - Clear paragraph development
- Formatting Structure
 - Ability to follow instructions (see above)