## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY School of Nursing

# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE MSN PROGRAM

## PRINT OR TYPE-ANSWER EVERY QUESTION

| 1. NAME   |   |               |  |  |             |
|---|---|---------------|--|--|-------------|
| Last  | First   |               | Middle   | 2  | (Maiden)    |
| 2. Permanent (Home) Address   |   |               |  |  |             |
| 3. Telephone: Permanent:  | Wo  | ork Phone:    |  | Cell Phone:  |             |
| 4. Birth date:  | ID Number:  |               |  |  |             |
| 5. E-Mail:  |   |               |  |  |             |
| 6. List previous colleges attended  | l and indicate any previ                              | ous degrees e | arned:   |  |             |
| BSN Completed:  | No  | Yes           | Year   | RN License #   |             |
| Name of Accredited School   | l of Nursing Attended:                                |               |  |  |             |
| 7. Applying for:  | Full-time   | _ Part        | -time stud   | dy.  |             |
| <ul> <li>8. Are you applying for:<br/>Family Nurse Practitioner O<br/>Post Masters FNP<br/>Nurse Educator Option<br/>Nurse Educator Certificate<br/>Nurse Administrator Option<br/>Nurse Administrator Certifi</li> <li>9. Do you already have a Master'</li> </ul> | n<br>icate  | g Major?      | No Yes   |  |             |
| 10. Are you currently an APRN   | V? No   | Yes           |  |  |             |
| The above information is  | true to the best of my                                | knowledge.    |  |  |             |
| Signature   |   |               | <br>Da   | ate  |             |
| Return all application items documentation to:  | and supporting  |               | Arkansas State<br>Nathaniel Fran<br>Box 910<br>State Universit |  | ogram ATTN: |
| HAVE YOU ATTACHED1 General Application2 Vita or Resume3 Verification of clin4 Verification RN line5 Future Professional   | on to the MSN Program<br>nical practice form<br>cense | 1             | 2. <u> </u>  | Reference to approp<br>aduate School App<br>I transcript request<br>te Office. |             |

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# VERIFICATION OF CLINICAL PRACTICE

| PART I: To be completed by Applicant   |  |
|--|--|
| Applicant's Name   | ID Number  |
| Describe your nursing care of clients within the past 5 years  | ars by addressing the following:                         |
| Name and type of agency  |  |
| Address of agency  |  |
| If agency was an acute care agency or hospital, describe f   |  |
| Types of clients:  |  |
| Length of time employed Date   | es of employment   |
| PART II: To be completed by an immediate superviso<br>Name (Print)                                   |  |
| Your position with the agency  |  |
| Your relationship with the applicant   |  |
| In the space below please address the patient/client popul<br>for within your agency or institution. | ation that the above graduate school applicant has cared |
|  |  |
| I hereby certify that the above description of clinical prac   | tice of the above applicant is correct.                  |
| Signature:   |  |
| Business Address:  |  |
| Business Telephone:  |  |

## SCHOOL OF NURSING

## Medical Professional Work Reference from HealthCare Provider

## MAKE COPIES AS NEEDED

This section to be completed by the applicant:

The family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and its amendments guarantee students access to their educational records. Students may, however, waive their right of access to recommendations. The choice of the applicant regarding this recommendation is to be indicated below. Failure to sign will constitute acceptance of limited access.

I do waive recommendation

\_\_\_\_\_ I do <u>not</u> waive my right to inspect the contents of the following recommendation

Signed

\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_

Statement concerning: \_\_\_\_\_

## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PERSON SERVING AS A REFERENCE (Please place in a sealed envelope and sign it across the seal)

| Name:  | _ Position:     |
|--|-----------------|
| (Please                                      |                 |
|  |                 |
| Place of Employment:                         | Business Phone: |
| Length of time you have known the applicant: |                 |

In what capacity have you known the applicant? (Please check all that apply).

| <br>Personally                  |
|---------------------------------|
| <br>As an employee              |
| <br>As a professional colleague |
| <br>Only casually               |
| <br>As a student                |
| <br>Other (Please explain)      |

Place a check by **ONE** statement in each category that **BEST** represents this applicant.

| 1. Intellectual Curiosity & Innovativeness   | 2. Written Communication Skills   |
|--|---|
| <ul> <li>A follower; accepts things as they are Rarely asks meaningful questions or generates new ideas</li> <li>Raises some questions and tries to set forth new ideas</li> <li>Intellectually curious; frequently generates new ideas</li> <li>Outstanding ability to generate new ideas; great intellectual curiosity</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Unable to express ideas clearly in writing</li> <li>Has some trouble with logical order, grammar/punctuation</li> <li>Uses correct grammar and punctuation but has trouble with logical order</li> <li>Expresses ideas logically and succinctly</li> <li>in writing most of the time</li> <li>Outstanding in the written expression of ideas</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul> |

| 3. Oral Communication Skills  | 4. Sensitivity to Others  |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Inarticulate; ideas not presented clearly</li> <li>Weak in oral skills including command of<br/>language and articulation</li> <li>Articulates fairly well, but order of ideas is not<br/>always logical</li> <li>Good in articulating ideas clearly and logically</li> <li>Very articulate; outstanding command of language</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>No concern for ideas or needs of others,<br/>antagonistic</li> <li>Has trouble being respectful of others ideas or<br/>needs; rarely tactful</li> <li>Tends to be respectful of others ideas and needs</li> <li>Usually considerate and tactful</li> <li>Very alert and tactfully responsive to others' needs<br/>and ideas</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>                            |
| 5. Group Skills   | 6. Reliability  |
| <ul> <li>Never contributes toward group goals</li> <li>Interferes with attainment of group goals</li> <li>Has some difficulty as a member/leader of group</li> <li>Often regarded as a constructive group member/<br/>leader by peers</li> <li>Very effective as a leader/member in assisting<br/>group toward constructive goals</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Neglects following through with obligations/appointments</li> <li>Work is incomplete, carelessly done</li> <li>Completes work carefully, but with prodding</li> <li>Meets obligations independently most of the time</li> <li>Thoroughly reliable; needs no supervision</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>  |
| 7. Perseverance   | 8. Accountability   |
| <ul> <li>Gives up without trying</li> <li>Becomes discouraged easily when working toward goals</li> <li>Works on goals which are easily attainable but avoids difficult goals</li> <li>Is always persistent in pursuing all goals</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Projects blame on others as reason for own actions</li> <li>Gives excuses for own actions</li> <li>Nearly always accepts responsibility for own actions</li> <li>Thoroughly accountable for own actions</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>  |
| 9. Response to Stressful Situations   | 10. Ability to Make Decisions   |
| <ul> <li>Remains withdrawn, angry, confused, unrealistic, or<br/>depressed when under pressure</li> <li>Has difficulty proceeding constructively</li> <li>Tries to proceed constructively; occasionally is<br/>withdrawn or angry</li> <li>Self-controlled, rarely loses temper or withdraws</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Totally indecisive</li> <li>Has difficulty analyzing problems and arriving at decisions</li> <li>Analyzes a situation correctly but has difficulty deciding on a course of action</li> <li>Generally competent in making decisions and taking action on them</li> <li>Excellent in considering consequences of decisions and taking appropriate action</li> <li>Not able to judge</li> </ul> |

| 11. Toleration of Ambiguity   | 12. Potential for Graduate Study  |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Always requires excessive details of         assignments/exams in order to meet supervisor/instructor         assignments         Is uncomfortable in less structured situations; seeks         guidance inappropriately         Attempts to function with less structure and seeks         guidance appropriately         Usually can function comfortably in less structured         situations         Functions very effectively and comfortably without a         rigidly defined, extremely imposed structure         Not able to judge</li> </ul> | Excellent  Above Average  Adequate  Weak  |
| 13. Considering all the individuals in this field whom<br>you are personally acquainted, how would you<br>evaluate this applicant?  | 14. Recommendation  |
| <ul> <li>Upper 5%</li> <li>Upper 25%</li> <li>Middle 50%</li> <li>Lower 25%</li> <li>Lower 5%</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Not able to judge</li> <li>Do not recommend</li> <li>Neutral</li> <li>Recommend</li> <li>Strongly recommend</li> </ul> |

Briefly explain any decision other than *Strongly Recommend* or if unable to rate the student.

Other additional comments may be appended.

Signature

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Return To: Arkansas State University ATTN: Nathaniel Frank MSN Program Box 910 State University, AR 72467 ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Date

# **Future Professional Goals**

<u>Instructions to applicants</u>: Provide a one page typed description of your future professional goals and how the MSN Program will help fulfill your goals.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Demographic Information Form-MSN Application Packet**

We are required to supply the following information to various agencies. Data are reported as group data. Confidentiality will be maintained. These data are <u>not</u> used for admission purposes and are <u>not</u> considered in admission decisions. Complete this form and return with your application to the Arkansas State University MSN Program, Department of Nursing Box 910, State University, AR 72467.

| Name:  | Date:  |
|--|--|
| ID#:   |  |
| County of Residence:   |  |
| Employment:  |  |
| Name of Agency:  |  |
| Your Position Title:   |  |
| Type of Agency:  |  |
| (1) Community Health Center  | (6) State/Local Health Dept.                                   |
| (2) Migrant Health Center  | (7) School of Nursing  |
| (3) Rural Health Clinic  | (8) Acute Care/Hospital  |
| (4) Native American/Tribal Health Service  | (9) Ambulatory Care Center                                     |
| (5) Home Health Agency   | (10) School Nurse  |
|  | (11) Other   |
| Age: Sex:(1) Male  | (2) Female   |
| Race:  |  |
| (1) Black (Non-Hispanic)   | (4) Asian/Pacific Islander                                     |
| (2) Hispanic   | (5) White (Non-Hispanic)                                       |
| (3) Native American/Alaskan Native   | (6) Other  |
| Number of people in your family of origin (the household                             | ld you grew up in):  |
| Did you grow up in a family with an annual income belo<br>(1) Yes (2) No (3) Unknown | ow a level identified by the Federal government as low-income? |
| Please access link for poverty level qualifications: https://www.https/              | ://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/income-         |

poverty/historical-poverty-thresholds.html