## **GRADUATE PROGRAM WRITTEN ESSAY**

The written essay is an important element for evaluation of your application and for admission into the School of Nursing's Graduate Program. This essay will provide an opportunity for the selection committee to assess your writing ability and professional strengths and to evaluate your chances for success in advanced practice graduate work. This written essay is a major component of the selection process, and you need to give it thoughtful consideration. Instructions are as follows:

- 1. Develop a scholarly essay in which you include the following elements:
  - A. Introduction
  - B. Discussion of concepts
    - 1. Your theoretical framework for professional practice
    - 2. Your view of the role of nursing in advanced practice settings
    - 3. Your clinical experience in nursing
    - 4. Your non-nursing experiences relevant to your professional growth
    - 5. Your goals for graduate education
  - C. Conclusion
  - D. References
- 2. The document must be a 3-5 page typed essay, double-spaced, with 12-point type and one-inch margins using the APA format.
- 3. Upload the essay in PDF format to NursingCAS.