## Tanner Health School of Nursing (THSON) Doctorate in Nursing Education (EdD) Admissions Writing Prompt

## **Writing Submission:**

In a two to three-page double-spaced scholarly essay, discuss your short- and long-term goals and how these align with the Doctorate in Nursing Education (EdD). Describe your teaching and learning philosophy. What is your area of research interest for the EdD, and how does this relate to the needs for the future of nursing education? Include the literature that supports its relevance. Submit this scholarly essay in a Word document. Please note that the use of **Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI)** is not allowed in the development of this essay.

## **EdD Admissions Essay Rubric**

Candidate:

Essay Score: / 16

Assignment Criteria	Excellent 4 Points	Proficient 3 Points	Competent 2 Points	Novice 1 Point	Points	Reviewer Comments
The candidate's application essay demonstrates short- and long-term goals aligned with the EdD in Nursing Education Program.	The candidate's essay demonstrates short- and long-term goals strongly aligned with the EdD in Nursing Education	The candidate's essay demonstrates short- and long-term goals moderately aligned with the EdD in Nursing Education program.	The candidate's essay demonstrates short- and long-term goals adequately aligned with the EdD in Nursing Education program.	The candidate's essay demonstrates short- and long-term goals poorly aligned with the EdD in Nursing Education program.		
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The candidate's application essay describes their teaching/learnin g philosophy.	The candidate's essay clearly and effectively communicates their teaching and learning philosophy.	The candidate's essay moderately communicates their teaching and learning philosophy.	The candidate's essay adequately communicates their teaching and learning philosophy.	The candidate's essay poorly communicates their teaching and learning philosophy.	
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application essay	essay strongly	essay moderately	essay adequately	essay poorly	
includes a research	communicates a	communicates a	communicates a	communicates a	
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relates to the	interest for	specific with	specific with	specific to nursing	
specific needs for	research specific	nursing education	nursing education	education and/or	
the future of	to nursing	and/or clear	and/or clear	clear research	
nursing education.	education.	research	research	questions(s)	
		questions(s)	questions(s)	consistent with	
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application essay	candidate's	essay	essay	essay poorly		
includes	essay strongly	moderately	adequately	demonstrates		
structured	demonstrates	demonstrates	demonstrates	logical flow of		
paragraphs	logical flow of	logical flow of	logical flow of	ideas, structure,		
presented in a	ideas,	ideas, structure,	ideas, structure,	grammar, and		
logical and	structure,	grammar, and	grammar, and	mechanics.		
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