Doctor of Nursing Practice – Family Nurse Practitioner Program
Application Written Interview Questions

Being a DNP-FNP graduate student requires an assertive character, professional demeanor, good leadership abilities, and a strong commitment to learning with good self-assessment and reflective learning skills. It is important that students are flexible in their attending this program as it relates to classes and when they are offered; clinical experiences and where they are offered; mandatory days on campus; and course assignments.

The following questions are designed to give the faculty reviewers the opportunity to see if you possess these qualities and your skills in writing and critical analysis.

*Please provide a critical reflective response to each selected question below and, if appropriate, insert scholarly references to statements you may make about advanced practice and the nursing profession (use APA format).*

**PART A:** *(Candidate selects 2 questions to answer. Each response worth 4 points.)*

1. What is your perception of the family nurse practitioner role?

2. How does the DNP support the professional role of the FNP?

3. How have your prior clinical experiences prepared you to be a primary care family nurse practitioner?

4. How will a DNP degree change your current nursing role and practice?

**PART B:** *(Candidate answers the two required questions and selects one personal choice question to answer. Each response worth 10 points.)*

**REQUIRED:**

5. What leadership attributes do you possess that will help ensure the accountability for the quality of health care and patient safety in the populations you serve as an FNP-DNP? Support your discussion with scholarly evidence using APA format.

6. There are several national and global health concerns. Discuss at least one national and one global concern and identify what role nurse practitioners have played and could play in these issues. Support your discussion with scholarly evidence using APA format.

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SELECT ONE PERSONAL CHOICE QUESTION TO ANSWER:

7. Discuss your experiences with conflict resolution and what you have done to help those involved in the conflict reach a conclusion. Support your discussion with scholarly evidence using APA format.

8. Select a research article and describe its impact to you as a nurse in your practice. How would you like to build on this research to develop a DNP project? Support your discussion with scholarly evidence using APA format.

PART C: (Candidate answers all parts of question #9. Each sub-question worth 5 points, 20 points total.)

9. Please respond to the sub-questions following case scenario:

You are volunteering in a free health clinic and are asked to see J.B. who is a 40-year old male who immigrated from Iraq two weeks ago. He lives alone and has no dependents. His religious preference is Shiite Muslim. He is unemployed. He has no health insurance. His complaints today are that he is not feeling well, has a fever, chest pain and stomach distress. He appears malnourished, pale, sweating, with BP 140/92, pulse is 96 and weak, and respirations are 26 non-labored.

   A. What might be the first thing you want to do for this gentleman and explain why?

   B. Does this individual’s cultural and religious background make a difference in the care you will plan or provide? Why or why not?

   C. In conducting a physical exam on this gentleman what might be the primary areas to focus upon and why?

   D. If he has to be admitted to a hospital for further evaluation, what factors have to be seriously considered and how will you address them?