



## Nurse Practitioner Program Application Questions

Graduate Nursing studies involve a comprehensive array of courses intended to challenge and advance critical thinking and clinical practice while developing advanced practice nursing competencies. The Nurse Practitioner (NP) program includes a substantive amount of reading, writing, independent inquiry, seminar discussions, presentations, group work, and more.

Your responses to the questions below will help us to gain a better understanding of the alignment of our program with your experience, skills and career aspirations. Additionally, we strive for our graduate student body to reflect the communities we serve. Therefore, we are committed to increasing the representation of historically excluded groups in nursing leadership, with a particular focus on increasing enrollment of students from Black and Indigenous communities in our graduate programs.

Please answer each of these questions in your submission (optional questions may be omitted). For ease of reading, please include the question before your response. Your submission should respect the following guidelines:

- **Length:** maximum 4 pages.
- **Spacing & margins:** Single-spaced, 2.5 cm margins all around.
- **Font:** Times New Roman, 12 pt.
- **Use of AI:** While we recognize the utility of generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) for improving grammar and syntax, we strongly discourage its use in generating ideas for your graduate school application essay as we seek to genuinely understand and evaluate you as a candidate.

### Questions:

1. What is your motivation for applying to the Nurse Practitioner Program? How does your application to the specific concentration (Primary Care, Adult Care, Pediatrics, Mental Health or Neonatal) align with your personal and professional goals and interests?
2. What specific strengths (qualities/skills/abilities) do you possess that make you an excellent candidate for the Nurse Practitioner Program?
3. What is your understanding of the role of Nurse Practitioners in the specialty to which you are applying? How would you describe nurse practitioners' unique contributions to improving health/healthcare in Quebec/Canada and elsewhere?
4. Briefly describe a clinical situation in which you felt especially challenged. Describe your responses to the situation and summarize the questions that this situation raised for you.
5. How do you think your identity/identities contribute to or influence your nursing practice?
6. \*Optional. We are committed to Equity in our Graduate Programs. Is there anything else you would like to share with us to better understand your application?