

## **Nursing Scholarship Essay Example**

I was 13 years old when I first realized I wanted to become a nurse. I attended “bring your daughter to work day” and was sitting at the nurse’s station looking at nurses care for newborns. My heart was instantly filled with love and excitement and at that very moment I knew this is where I belonged.

I have been privileged to be a Mother-Baby/NICU nurse for 6 years now and a school nurse for 2 years. As a Mother-Baby/NICU nurse, I was involved in caring for newborns and teaching families how to care for their newborns. As a school nurse, I was able to care for children, families and their community, a different aspect of nursing. I was able to see the family dynamics as a whole, in the school setting, and work with other staff members to assist these families in not only receiving good medical care but also in finding other pertinent resources.

It was in the school setting that I realized I want to do more for these lower income communities. I want to be able to offer them more of my time and services. This is when I decided to look into Nurse Practitioner Programs. I enrolled part-time in the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program in San Antonio and was accepted and completed 2 semesters but then decided I wanted to enroll full-time so I moved back home and have now decided to enroll in the Family Nurse Practitioner Program here in Chicago.

As a FNP, I would love to work for a community clinic in a lower income setting to help those that may not have insurance or the resources necessary to access medical care. I want to be able to teach families how to live healthier lifestyles and manage any current illnesses and coordinate with other community resources to assist families as a whole.

I am very passionate about my field of work. I love and count it a privilege to be able to be a nurse. I would like to be able to give back to the underserved communities, as this is where I grew up myself. My dreams and aspirations after graduating as a Family Nurse Practitioner include one day being able to open up a free health clinic for the uninsured population and partaking in mission work all over the world. I want to be a part of the change in this world and I believe that I can bring a positive influence to today's healthcare crisis.