The purpose of your personal essay is to persuade the Admission Committee that you are a highly qualified applicant and that they should select you as one of the conditionally admitted to the Texas St. David’s School of Nursing.

Your persuasive personal essay must address the following 3 questions:
1. What is a Family Nurse Practitioner?
2. Discuss a current Advanced Practice Nurse issue.
3. What will you do with your Advanced Practice Nurse degree?

OPTIONAL:
4. Is there information about yourself that you would like the Committee to know about that is not otherwise explained or addressed in this application? Please briefly explain.

Persuasive Personal Essay Format:
- Written using APA 6th edition
- At least 150 words in length and double spaced; 3 page maximum
- Written in first person
- Place your initials in the upper left corner of each page
- Do not include other personal identifying items in your essay

Review your persuasive personal essay with care before submitting it; be sure it truly reflects who you are and is of the quality that you want the Admission Committee to review.

Your persuasive personal essay will be scored by the Admission Committee for the following:
✓ Completeness and organized
✓ Spelling and grammar
✓ Readability with clear, concise and well developed paragraphs that answer all 3 (or 4) questions listed above thoroughly while following the instructions