

## **Letter of Recommendation Instructions**

### **BSN Application**

Consider the following when requesting a recommendation:

- The individual completing the recommendation should be someone who knows you well, in a variety of settings, and is not related to you. The recommenders do not
- The attributes we are most acutely interested in for our holistic review of your application are: maturity, professionalism, resilience and grit, and critical thinking.
  - o Maturity: applicant excels at establishing and maintaining effective personal and/or professional relationships
  - o Professionalism: applicant exhibits professional behaviors in professional and/or academic settings.
  - o Resilience/grit: applicant demonstrates the ability to overcome difficult situations while maintaining strength of character
  - o Critical Thinking: applicant demonstrates the ability to think critically and solve problems, even in stress, conflict, or crisis
- The experiences we are most acutely interested in are leadership, healthcare, or volunteer experiences.
  - o Recommender should be able to attest to one or multiple areas of the applicant's experience.

We highly recommend contacting your recommender prior to submitting the request. The information above can be included in the letter they complete. The admissions committee is looking for clear evidence of some or all of the attributes and experiences listed above, to be evaluated in conjunction with your completed application.

You are required to request 2 recommendations at minimum but can request up to 4. The committee will review the first two that are submitted as they are date stamped on NursingCAS. Let your recommender know that they will need to look out for an e-mail from NursingCAS to create their profile, complete the ranking and upload the letter.