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COM290: Portfolio Synthesis
Associate Degree Portfolio Presentation

Background: You applied to a specific program at NMC because you had a hunch, or firm conviction, that this was the right path for you. Since your acceptance, you have been on an educational journey that brought you to the present. Your portfolio presentation is an opportunity to review your experiences while at NMC and identify events that have impacted your understanding of your profession and yourself.

The Educated Citizen: An educated citizen is a competent practitioner and engaged citizen who responds productively to the complex dynamics of the world utilizing a diversity of disciplines and perspectives.

Presentation: Autobiography of My Learning: A Look Back at the Journey

- 1) Where It All Began – What got you here? How did you decide to enter this profession?
- 2) On the Journey – What experiences were significant to your growth as an Educated Citizen?
 - A. You will share an autobiography of your learning since starting at NMC. This autobiography will use experiences to tell your story. Your presentation should have **several specific examples (many students use 3-4)** to illustrate various aspects of this educational journey. These can come from class, clinic, work, your personal life, or world events - anything that occurred during your time at NMC and prepared you for your role as an Educated Citizen.
 - B. At least one of these examples must be from a **non-academic setting** (i.e. an experience not tied directly to coursework or clinical). How did this experience help you understand your academic learning in a new way? How did you transfer the knowledge from one setting to another?
 - C. Highlight at least one Educated Citizen goal in terms of how your experiences demonstrate your ability to be a reflective individual, an effective communicator or a change agent. All of your examples can relate to the same goal (but do not need to). The point is to connect the broader learning that happened in this experience with one of the goals to show how the learning is connected.
- 3) Summary
What made you the Educated Citizen you are today? How did these experiences impact your understanding of your profession/vocation? How will these experiences help you to grow as a person and a professional?

Requirements: You must submit a complete and satisfactory portfolio and conduct a presentation that earns a grade of at least 70% in order to graduate. If you should earn less than a 70% on the first attempt, you will be given a one-time opportunity to repeat the presentation. Your presentation is a maximum of **15 minutes** and should include visual aids. You are expected to employ strong public speaking skills, including dressing professionally and maintaining eye contact with the audience.