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Thinking of achieving a higher level of education in nursing feels like it should be very far away. However, as we near the end of our nursing program, achieving a higher education is well within reach as a topic of consideration. Personally, I would love to continue my education to be a Nurse Practitioner. I do not know if I will end up achieving this, but it is something I feel I would thoroughly enjoy. As we move through nursing history, it is remarkable the changes we have seen and the technological advances that have been made. I am proud to say that I am a part of it and I could not imagine going into another career.

In examining the impact Florence Nightingale had on the nursing profession, I have come to see the importance of diversity. The fact that she cared for such a wide variety of individuals and also made herself so diverse, especially considering she was multilingual. Her perseverance and determination in getting sanitary conditions into the war zones was ground breaking and is the basis for basic hygiene practices in the hospital setting today. This being said, I am always wanting to learn more and I currently am continuing Spanish education. I feel that it is important everyone feel seen and respected and furthering our education in all diversities helps to achieve this. Seeing as women were known to be the nurses and men were seen as the higher medical professionals (doctors), I think it is important for young girls to see that it is possible for them to obtain these positions and that they are more than capable of being whatever they want.

In becoming a Nurse Practitioner, I would like to work in a labor and delivery environment or in a pediatric unit. I have always had a passion for taking care of children and infants. I love to be of help to other people and I think this career has the perfect setup to achieve

this. Obtaining a higher degree is important to me because there are so many more things you can do and you give yourself a plethora of opportunities for more experiences. I know for sure I will pursue my BSN shortly after graduation. What happens after that will depend on my working experiences. I have also thought about the idea of obtaining my MSN in order to be able to teach. As I stated above, I enjoy being able to help people and I think educating the next generation of healthcare professionals is very important. I have also seen the impact my instructors have had on me and I think that is very influential to my interests. Overall, I am very excited to begin my career as a nurse and I cannot think of a more fitting profession for my personality.