

## Reflective Statement Prompts

Your reflective statement expresses your understanding of the organization you served and how you used your service to enhance your professional development. It should be between two and one-half (2 ½) and five (5) double-spaced typed pages with one (1) inch margins and twelve (12) point font. If you use the section headings, your written responses must equal the minimum of 2 ½ pages, not including the headings. If your community service was split between two agencies/organizations, write about only ONE experience. The reflective statement must be submitted for university verification within **60 days of the completion of the required 20 hours**.

### **Sections of the Reflective Statement**

#### Introduction

Begin your statement with an introductory paragraph that includes your name, major/s, organization/agency for which you provided service, and the nature of your service work.

#### Section 1, The Organization

- A. Describe one way that this organization serves a community need/s.
- B. Give an example of a local, national, or global partner that has worked with the organization and positively impacted their ability to serve and meet the needs of the community.

*Mission, Vision, & Conceptual Framework:*

*Methods of Delivery: Applied Practice, Local and Global Partnerships, Service*

*Outcomes: Social Justice Advocates*

#### Section 2, Showing Initiative

- A. Describe one way that you took initiative to advance new concepts, engage in problem solving, or implement innovative practice/s during your community service.

*Mission, Vision, & Conceptual Framework:*

*Methods of Delivery: Applied Practice, Leadership, Local and Global Partnerships, Service*

*Outcomes: Reflective and Skilled Practitioners*

#### Section 3, Professional Growth and Lifelong Learning

- A. Describe one way that your community service contributed to your **professional growth** as a future teacher. In responding to this prompt, please refer to the Mission, Vision, & Conceptual Framework, by addressing any elements (minimum of three) relevant to your experience.
- B1. Based on this community service and other experiences you have had, what is a factor that you will keep in mind when planning **your future community service/involvement/leadership**?
- B2. Based on this community service and other experiences you have had, what is a factor that you will keep in mind when including community service participation in **your future classroom**?

*Mission, Vision, & Conceptual Framework:*

*Methods of Delivery: Applied Practice, Ethics and Values*

*Outcomes: Life Long Learners, Social Justice Advocates, Reflective and Skilled Practitioners*

The Office of Candidate Services' staff will use the authentic assessment rubric to evaluate the quality of your statement. If it is assessed as *minimum, meets, or exceeds expectations for the sections*, it will be approved. If it is scored as *fails to meet expectations*, you will be notified and provided suggestions on how to meet expectations for your statement.

# Mission, Vision and Conceptual Framework

