

EvCC Holistic Admissions Personal Essay Rubric

Criteria	4 Exceptionally	3 Strongly	2 Moderately	1 Minimally	0 Not At All	Score
Ability to Self-Reflect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expresses understanding of self with awareness of personal identity 	Envisions a future self whose plans are based on diverse past experiences	Evaluates changes in own learning over time, recognizes dependent factors	Articulates strengths and challenges, demonstrates increased self-awareness	Describes own performances with general descriptors of success and failure	Does not demonstrate understanding of self by describing successes and failures	
Critical Thinking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibits reflective thinking by evaluating evidence and its significance to the situation 	Perspective takes into account the complexities of the issue by comparing and contrasting viewpoints.	Perspective takes into account the complexities of the issue.	Perspective considers different sides of the issue in a basic way.	Personal perspective is stated.	Does not state own perspective in describing the issue	
Accountability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrates evidence of ability to take personal responsibility for actions. 	Provides more than one example of accountability for one's own actions.	Provides an example of accountability for one's own actions.	Gives an example of an action but does not give evidence of accountability.	Example is general or vague	Does not give an example	
Perseverance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrates resilience in pursuing long-term goals by identifying problems and solutions 	Demonstrates overcoming an obstacle with consideration of future impact and evidence of personal growth.	Demonstrates overcoming an obstacle with consideration of future impact	Overcoming an obstacle focuses primarily on personal gain	Example is general or vague	Fails to give an example of an obstacle or problem they faced	
Total for rubric						

Rubric Score x 3.125 = TOTAL SCORE for admissions points

Example 16 X 3.125 = 50