

Common Application Essay

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In the past, being successful meant demonstrating I counted value using the practical application, time spent on repetition of courses, and hard labour. The victory became the equivalent of survival. However, over time, I learned that nothing can last long without meaning.

This silently dawned upon her as she spent a normal clinic day. I provided a minor concern to a patient, there was no urgency, no recognition, but I left a happier patient than I had been following an exam or award. The difference was presence. Serving an individual deeply and keenly was as important a qualification as any. This is a core quality that I need in myself and will ensure to incorporate in my practical life.

This moment marked a shift. I started redefining success as not housekeeping, but householding. I came to know that medicine is not about the capacity of a person to withstand, but to be able to be available to others on a regular basis. This means that it is not always the number of patients I deal with in a single day, but it is about the number of patients who are satisfied with my service.

Physical assistant as a profession facilitates this developed outlook. It is appreciative of continuity, partnership, and sustainability values, values that define me presently. The programs of reflective practice and service-based leadership at Yale University are focused on my development as both a self-providing and a service-oriented caregiver. All of this supports me as a strong candidate as validation no longer drives me, but it is the meaning.