**Assignment guidance**

The following guidance is a suggestion of how you might want to structure your assignment. It is not a definitive guide and you can choose to structure your assignment as you’d like to, but this guidance might help you to organise your thoughts.

**Introduction**

* Write a clear introduction which states your approach to the assignment
* Outline a scenario/situation which you have observed in practice/hypothesised and which illustrates/suggests the need for a change in practice

**Main body**

Identify which theory/ies were evident in the scenario and which theories would have been useful to the situation

* Critically appraise the importance of political and ethical awareness for nurses and on both policy and the leadership of the change context you’ve identified (LO1)

Critically analyse and evaluate theories, skills, and practice in relation to the facilitation of the change in your scenario/situation and discuss the importance of effective leadership in healthcare (LO2)

Critically analyse the concept of teamworking and identify a range of performance strategies required for team effectiveness ensuring risk aversion and effective risk management (LO3)

* Critically appraise the process of transitioning from student to registered nurse and reflect on own development needs. Demonstrate how this informs the transition from student nurse to registered nurse (LO4)
* Critical reflection and evaluation of strengths and weaknesses, and identify actions for development
* You can discuss these issues in the third person in terms of theory and practice and include your personalised SWOT and PDP in an appendix

**Conclusion**

* Outline the main findings from your discussion and critical appraisal in the main body of your essay

**However you structure your assignment, make sure you meet the assignment learning outcomes.**