**Parallel Major (50 points)**

**Due Date:** Week 16

**Assignment Submission:** Submit on e-Portfolio on Parallel Major page.

1. My top majors are as follows in this order:
   * 1. Nursing, Health Sciences, Healthcare Administration, Pre-Health Sciences, and Nutrition.
2. My parallel major I chose is Health Sciences.
3. I chose Health Sciences as my parallel major because there are a lot of other professions I can go into with that major. What interests me about this major is the fact that I can pursue a career as a physician assistant and I also like that the degree path is on track with my nursing degree.
4. Some interesting facts about this major is that the health science major prepares students for work in schools, businesses, medical care settings, and the community as health educators. There are many different career paths you can go down with this major.
5. As a health science major, I will continue on to be a physician assistant. As a PA I will be a licensed medical professional who holds an advanced degree and is able to provide direct patient care. As I PA I can expect to work 7 to 12 hour shifts a day. The median salary for a physician lies around $105,000 annually.
6. My Plan for Health Science Major
   * 1. Some additional classes I will have to take if end up having to switch to this major I will have to take public speaking, a nature of science course, physics, and astronomy. This degree plan is not so far off from my nursing degree plan I am on now; the only difference is I will have to add on a concentration in biology.
     2. With this degree plan I will gain experience handling more classes and for this major and the career path I want I will have to get volunteer hours, and this will allow me to get more experience with patient care.
     3. My parallel major is still inside of the College of Health Sciences, therefore my advisor would continue to be Professor Jacob Tousignaut