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Look At Me Now

When I first started at Austin Peay State University I was very nervous and did not know what to expect. I learned quickly that the workload was a lot and it was challenging. Being stressed was something I was coming very familiar with. I had to regroup at times and remember why I was here in the first place. Becoming a Registered Nurse is my dream and that is what has kept me focused this semester.

When I enrolled in APSU 1000, I thought it would be a breeze and I was wrong. This was the hardest class I had this semester. I found it to be challenging, time consuming, and intense. I was skeptical over the amount of work we had to do in just a short eight weeks. I thought it was too much for such a short amount of time. Once the information was explained and the class was broken down, I knew it was possible. This class got a lot of my attention. I learned how to communicate, research, make decisions, and think critically in this course. Working alone is what I would rather do, but this class taught me to work well with others in a group. Speaking in front of a crowd terrifies me. In this course it was demanded and I slowly began to get over my fear. I believe that this course is serious and it prepares you for the road ahead. The fact that APSU 1000 was just worth one credit amazes me. The class contained a lot of information and hours of studying, so I think a student should get more credit for it. The class should also be a little shorter. Taking an English course prior to this would have helped me a lot with the journals

and research paper that was assigned. The professor was direct and taught the class well. Overall, it definitely made me a more responsible person and student.

My experiences as a first-semester freshman have been interesting, challenging, and fun at the same time. I have had good days and bad days. I pushed myself to the limit at times, but I knew it was worth it. I enjoyed my classmates and had fun interacting with new people. This semester taught me how to manage my time wiser and exercise self-discipline. I am extremely proud of the effort I have put into school this semester. This experience has started to mold me into a stronger woman, mother, and student. I look forward to the semesters and challenges ahead.