| **NURS5625 PICO Paper Assignment Rubric** | | |
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| **Criteria** | **Ratings** | **Pts** |
| **I. Introduction: Background and Significance of the Problem, Development of PICO or PICOT Question.**  Maximum: 2 pages | 5 to >4.5 pts  Exceptional clear and succinct explanation of significance and need for the clinical question. Development of high-level PICO(T) question that can influence clinical practice. (Explanation of all components of PICO or PICOT in FHN I only) States a minimum of 2 background questions needed to increase understanding of the clinical question and explain why they are relevant. Background questions should be answered in literature review. | / 5 pts |
| **II. Theoretical Model to Guide for Evidence Based Research (ACE Star Model)**  ½-1 page | 3 to >2.5 pts  Model overview and model constructs are exceptionally and succinctly defined and applied to the process of answering the PICO(T) question. Guides research application to clinical practice. | / 3 pts |
| **X. APA Format (7th ed.) Evidence of Scholarly Writing.** | 10 to >9.5 pts  Paper is scholarly written in correct APA format. All assignment criteria are met, including body of paper limited to 10 pages excluding appendices and references. Organized, with correct grammar, and with an organized flow of thoughts. |  |