



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PANAMA CITY

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Procedure

NURSE ANESTHESIA PROGRAM PROCEDURES

I. Procedure: Admission – Minimum Requirements

Effective Date:

Annual Review:

1. Application
2. Application fee
 - A. \$30.00 (non-refundable)
 - B. Payable to Florida State University
3. Curriculum Vitae – See Admission – Curriculum Vitae (CV) format
4. RN license
 - A. Current, valid, unrestricted, professional nursing license in one jurisdiction of the United States.
 - B. If accepted into our program, Florida RN license must be obtained by May of the year of class August start date.
5. Baccalaureate degree.
 - A. Obtained from a United States, regionally accredited institute of higher education.
 - B. Does **NOT** have to be in nursing.
6. A grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater on a 4.0 scale is required. Official transcripts from ALL Colleges/Universities attended must be sent directly to FSU. (Student copies **NOT** accepted). No exceptions.

The address for submitting transcripts is:

Florida State University
Office of Admissions
282 Champions Way
P.O. Box 3062400
Tallahassee, FL 32306-2400

7. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) to be taken after October 1, 2010.
 - A. **Competitive score for application cohort**
 - B. To schedule your GRE, call (800) 967.1100 (Visa or Master Card only).
 - C. Arrange to have your GRE score sent directly to FSU. FSU GRE reporting code is 5219.

8. Registered Professional Nurse (RN) experience in **a Critical Care setting is required:**
 - A. At least one (1) year-during which there is opportunity to:
 - Develop as an independent decision maker.
 - Demonstrate psychomotor skills.
 - Display the ability to interpret and use advanced monitoring techniques based on a knowledge of physiological and pharmacological principles.

 - B. Critical care setting examples include but not limited to: *Surgical Intensive Care, Cardiothoracic Intensive Care, Medical Intensive Care, Pediatric Intensive Care, and Neonatal Intensive Care. Those who have experiences in other areas may be considered provided they can demonstrate competence with managing unstable patients, invasive monitoring, ventilators, and critical care pharmacology.*

9. References (3) – See enclosed forms
 - A. Physician – familiar with your critical care RN work.
 - B. Immediate supervisor – familiar with your critical care RN work
 - C. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) – This person does not have to be familiar necessarily with you or your RN work. Simply arrange some time to talk nurse anesthesia with this CRNA.
 - D. Give the above individuals our reference forms and request that they be completed and returned directly to:

Florida State University Panama City
Nurse Anesthesia Program
4750 Collegiate Drive
Panama City, FL 32405-1099
FAX: (850) 770-2080
email: gmcpeak@pc.fsu.edu

THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

- E. All correspondence should be addressed as follows in order to reach our office:

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Panama City, FL 32405-1099
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10. Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certification.
11. Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) certification preferred but is required for admission into the program.
12. Current Critical Care Registered Nurse (CCRN) certification is encouraged.
13. Personal Interview
 - A. Scheduled by the Anesthesia Program.
 - B. Takes place at the FSU-Panama City Campus.
14. Applicant Selection
 - A. Upon completion of all interviews.
 - B. Selected applicants invited to continue the admission process.
15. Drug Screen
 - A. Each of the selected applicants must submit to a drug screen at the applicant's expense.
 - B. May take place in any certified laboratory.
 - C. Results to be sent directly to the Anesthesia Program.
 - D. Failure to comply with this requirement or to pass the drug screen will automatically end the applicant's admission process.
16. Proof of Immunizations, titers and Hepatitis B Series.
17. Florida RN License
 - A. Non-Florida RNs must obtain a Florida RN license before full acceptance into the Program.
 - B. Information /Application may be obtained by contacting the Florida Department of Health:

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/>
18. When all of the above have been completed and/or all documents attesting to the above are on file in the Program office an applicant will be considered an official member of the next August starting class.