I. Procedure: Admission – Minimum Requirements

Effective Date: 4/18

Annual Review: 4/19

1. Application

2. Application fee
   A. $30.00 (non-refundable)
   B. Payable to Florida State University

3. Curriculum Vitae – A summary of your education, professional history, and qualifications

4. RN license
   - Current, valid, unrestricted, professional nursing license in one jurisdiction of the United States.

5. Baccalaureate degree
   A. Obtained from a United States, regionally accredited institute of higher education.
   B. Baccalaureate degree in Nursing/Health Related Sciences (e.g. Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
   C. Official transcripts must be sent directly from all post-secondary education to Florida State University in Panama City, Florida. (Student copies are NOT accepted).
   D. Transfer credit posted on the record(s) of other institutions is not accepted in lieu of transcripts from the original institution. Official transcripts for these credits must be submitted.
   E. Transcripts are considered official when they bear the official seal and signature and are sent from the issuing college/university directly to Florida State University. The Office of Admissions will obtain FSU transcripts or official transcripts already on file. Submit official transcripts to:

   Florida State University PCC  
   Office of Admissions  
   4750 Collegiate Drive  
   Panama City, Florida 32405-1099

6. Require an upper division grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater on a 4.0 scale.
7. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) to be taken within 5 years of application.

   A. **Competitive score for application cohort** (> than 300 combined score)
   B. To schedule your GRE, please visit: [www.ets.org/gre](http://www.ets.org/gre)
   C. Arrange to have your official GRE score sent directly to Florida State University. **The GRE reporting code is 5219.**
   D. GRE scores are considered official when sent directly to the Office of Admissions from the testing agency. Examinee copies are not considered official.

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 are 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.
   C. Traditional adult ICU experience (CVICU, SICU, and MICU) will be considered first.

9. References (2)

   A. Immediate supervisor – familiar with your critical care RN work
   B. 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.
   C. All correspondence should be addressed as follows in order to reach our office:

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


13. Current Critical Care Registered Nurse (CCRN) certification is encouraged.

14. Personal Interview
   A. Scheduled by the Anesthesia Program.
   B. Takes place at the FSU-Panama City Campus.

15. Applicant Selection
   A. Upon completion of all interviews.
   B. Selected applicants invited to continue the admission process.

16. Drug Screen/Background Check/Fingerprints
   A. Drug Screen and Background check with fingerprints will be performed once accepted into our program. These will be completed through CastleBranch at the applicant’s expense (code will be provided).
   B. Failure to comply with this requirement or to pass the drug screen will automatically end the applicant’s admission process.

17. Immunization record/titers.
   A. TB Skin Test
   B. Communicable Disease Requirements: Evidence of immunity to the following must be provided: Rubella (German Measles), Rubeola (Red Measles), Mumps, Varicella (Chicken pox)
   C. Hepatitis B Vaccination Series
   D. Seasonal Tdap Vaccine
   E. Seasonal Flu

18. RN Licensure
   The Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) was implemented in Florida on January 19, 2018 – visit the Florida Board of Nursing website for future updates about the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact. The Florida Board of Nursing website is located here: http://floridasnursing.gov/