

NURSE ANESTHESIA, D.N.A.P.

Curriculum and Degree Requirements (114 Hours)

Integration of clinical training with coursework is a key feature of the program with students beginning supervised clinical experience in the third semester. A state-of-art simulation laboratory provides an interactive system to teach both psychomotor clinical skills and crisis resource management. The curriculum consists of a 36-month course of study including clinical training and didactic courses in physiology, pharmacology, principles of anesthesia, and others. To meet the criteria for graduation and to meet the requirements to sit for the Certification Exam from the Council on Certification, students participate in a minimum of 600 anesthesia cases covering a variety of clinical experiences including general and regional anesthetics for pediatrics, obstetrics, geriatrics, cardiovascular-thoracic, neurological, plastic otolaryngology, ophthalmology, urology, orthopedics, and radiological procedures. The majority of clinical training occurs at Prisma Health Richland and Prisma Health Greenville Memorial, however clinical affiliations currently exist at several additional enrichment sites where students may rotate to gain more diverse clinical experience.

In addition to the below requirements, all students must maintain a RN license in good standing, and ACLS, BLS, and PALS training must be current at the time of graduation. Students must meet all the requirements of The National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists (NBCRNA) to be eligible to take the Certification exam upon graduation. These requirements can be found on the NBCRNA website.

Required Courses

The following courses are required in the Graduate Program in Nurse Anesthesia:

Course	Title	Credits
ASNR 700	Introduction to Nurse Anesthesia Practice	2
ASNR 702	Professional Roles and Scholarship for the DNAP	3
ASNR 704	Nurse Anesthesia Doctoral Student Development	3
ASNR 750	Health Policy, Ethics, and Legal Concepts for the DNAP Nurse Anesthetist	3
ASNR 752	Health Systems for the Nurse Anesthetist	3
ASNR 754	Health Care Informatics for the Nurse Anesthetist	3
ASNR 760	Clinical Topics in Nurse Anesthesia Practice I	2
ASNR 761	Basic Anesthesia Principles I	4
ASNR 762	Basic Anesthesia Principles II	4
ASNR 763	Advanced Principles in Nurse Anesthesia Practice	4
ASNR 771	Introduction to Nurse Anesthesia Practicum	1
ASNR 772	Seminar in Nurse Anesthesia I	2
ASNR 773	Clinical Practicum I	2
ASNR 775	Clinical Practicum II	6
ASNR 777	Clinical Practicum III	6
ASNR 779	Clinical Practicum IV	6
ASNR 781	Clinical Practicum V	6
ASNR 795	Application of Physical and Chemical Concepts in Nurse Anesthesia Practice	3
ASNR 797	Professional Role of the DNAP Nurse Anesthetist I	3

ASNR 800	Integration of Concepts Across Nurse Anesthesia Practice	2
ASNR 801	Specialty Focus Simulation I	1
ASNR 798	Application of Biomedical Concepts in Nurse Anesthesia Practice	3
ASNR 802	Specialty Focus Simulation II	1
ASNR 824	Evidence-Based Decisions and Nurse Anesthesia	3
ASNR 860	Clinical Topics in Nurse Anesthesia Practice II	2
ASNR 872	Seminar in Nurse Anesthesia II	2
ASNR 896	Professional Role of the DNAP Nurse Anesthetist II	3
ASNR 897	DNAP Project I	2
ASNR 898	DNAP Project II (offered twice)	2
NURS 707	Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurses	3
ASNR 720	Advanced Comprehensive Health Assessment	3
NURS 717	Application of Basic Statistics for Nursing Practice & Service Management	3
NURS 790	Research Methods for Nursing	3
PHPH 701	Physiology for Health Sciences	6
ASNR 724	Leadership in Nurse Anesthesia Practice	3
PHPH 705	Biomedical Pharmacology	6
Total Credit Hours		114