

The following represents a brief summary of the combined, suggested application and admission requirements for the U.S. Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing:

1. BSN
2. Two years "time on station" by date that PCS is required
3. Recommended overall GPA of 3.0 for the last 60 credit hours completed
4. Recommended undergraduate class in either Biochemistry or Organic Chemistry
5. At least one year of Critical Care Experience*
6. GRE within five years: Combined recommended score of at least 1500 on older version of GRE (version that included verbal, quantitative and analytical section). Combined recommended score (verbal and quantitative) of at least 1000 on new version of GRE, plus score of 3.5 or higher on writing component.
7. Letters of recommendation

* Active duty applicants with at least one year experience in an acute care setting may be considered for admission contingent upon completing a distance learning didactic program and a structured critical care training program of approximately three months duration (usually conducted at BAMC following early PCS to Fort Sam Houston).

The U.S. Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing



Today's Anesthesia Training for Tomorrow's Fight

Mission Statement

The mission statement of the US Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing is to produce competent clinicians for the safe practice of anesthesia nursing. The graduate nurse anesthetist will function within medically established guidelines in time of peace, and when necessary, in time of war, civil disorder, natural disaster or humanitarian mission.

The U.S. Army has prepared top quality Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) for nearly 50 years and since 1981, our graduates have earned a Masters Degree through our University based affiliations. We currently produce virtually all active duty Army CRNAs and provide specialized training in field anesthesia to ensure that our graduate nurse anesthetists are qualified to deploy in time of war, civil disorder, natural disaster or for humanitarian missions.

Successful completion of this program results in a Master of Science in Nursing Anesthesia degree from Northeastern University School of Nursing and qualification to write the Certification Examination for Nurse Anesthetists.



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School of Nursing

Admission requirements for civilians and reservists differ in a few very important aspects, and the best source for the most current information in this regard is your local health care recruiter. The following describes some of the most important differences.

1. For civilians or reservists, there is no “time on station” requirement because you can be accessed directly onto active duty to our program.

2. You must meet the requirements for accession onto active duty as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps. In other words, you may meet all of the requirements for admission into our anesthesia program, but fail to be accepted if you do not meet the requirements to be accessed onto active duty.

3. For civilians and reservists, you must have at least one full year of ICU experience (as opposed to active duty who may be accepted with one year of acute care experience contingent upon completion of a structured critical care training program).

Through the US Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing, students are instructed in a manner that encourages independent thought and critical decision-making during times of great stress, both physical and emotional. As the sole providers of anesthesia under many circumstances in the Army, nurse anesthetists have to rely on their skills and training, in consultation with the surgeons, to save soldiers' lives.



[Helpful Web Sites](#)

Frequently Asked Questions:

<http://www.dns.amedd.army.mil/crna/civilianapplicationFAQ.htm>

Anesthesia Program Home Page:

<http://www.dns.amedd.army.mil/crna/Army Medical Department Center>

and School Home Page:

<http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/>

[Course Curriculum](#)

[Phase I \(60 Semester Hours\)](#)

Statistics in Nursing

Clinical Anatomy and Physiology I for Nurse Anesthesia

Clinical Anatomy and Physiology II for Nurse Anesthesia

Biochemistry for Nurse Anesthesia

Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia

Professional Aspects of Nurse Anesthesia Practice

Fundamentals of Nurse Anesthesia Practice I

Fundamentals of Nurse Anesthesia Practice II

Theoretical and Research Applications in Nurse Anesthesia

Information Systems in Advanced Nursing Practice

Evaluation and Application of Research in Advanced Nursing Practice

Physical Examination and Differential Diagnosis

Simulation

[Phase II \(44 Semester Hours\)](#)

Nurse Anesthesia Role Practicum I

Nurse Anesthesia Role Practicum II

Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum I

Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Practicum II

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