

Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Admission Requirements

Approved admission to the Nurse Anesthesia Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program requires the following of all students:

1. Completion of a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited program of nursing
2. Current U.S. licensure unencumbered and in good standing as a Registered Nurse (upload Nursys verification report in application)
3. Minimum of one year of critical care nursing experience within the U.S., its territories or a U.S. military hospital outside of the U.S. required
4. A minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0. This includes a minimum GPA of 3.0 in undergraduate science coursework
5. Evidence of a completed statistics course (undergraduate or graduate)
6. Evidence of a completed Organic Chemistry I or upper division Biochemistry course
7. Typed personal statement that is no more than two pages in length and addresses the following three areas:
 - a. Describe why you have chosen the Nurse Anesthesia specialization
 - b. Describe your professional goals
 - c. Describe why you feel the University of North Dakota program is best suited to help you meet your professional goals
8. Three letters of recommendation, preferably from a manager or supervisor, a healthcare provider, or nursing faculty member. Letters should speak to applicant's ability to be successful in the DNP program, addressing items such as clinical skills, critical thinking, independent decision making, and collaborative skills with other health professionals, nursing leadership, etc
9. Professional resume or curriculum vitae
10. Satisfy the School of Graduate Studies' English Language Proficiency requirements as published in the graduate catalog.
11. Interview required
12. Successful passage of criminal background check and drug screen will be required upon offer of admission
13. Satisfaction of current health and immunization policy of the Department of Nursing will be required upon offer of admission

Degree Requirements

Students seeking the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree at the University of North Dakota must satisfy all general requirements set forth by the School of Graduate Studies as well as particular requirements set forth by the Nursing Department.

1. Completion of all course work with GPA of at least 3.0.
2. Satisfactory completion of all designated clinical hours.
3. Satisfactory completion of a DNP project.
4. Satisfactory completion of the DNP project paper.

5. Satisfactory completion of an on-campus oral presentation and defense of the DNP Project.
6. Compose a scholarly product (i.e. abstract/manuscript/poster) for presentation and/or publication.
7. Courses in the Post-Baccalaureate DNP program tracks are as listed below.

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Nurse Anesthesia Track (94 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 505	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 510	Adv Physiology/Pathophysiology I	3
NURS 515	Basic Principles of Anesthesia Practice I	4
PSYC 541	Advanced Univariate Statistics	3
NURS 612	Integrated Leadership DNP Core Concepts	3
NURS 511	Adv Physiology/Pathophys II	3
NURS 516	Basic Principles of Anesthesia Practice II	4
NURS 518	Pharmacotherapeutics for Nurse Anesthesia	2
NURS 524	Anatomy for Nurse Anesthetists	1
NURS 551	Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Anesthetists	3
NURS 528	Advanced Principles of Anesthesia Practice I	5
NURS 604	Health Informatics	3
NURS 605	Health Policy	2
NURS 529	Advanced Principles of Anesthesia Practice II	7
NURS 602	Evidence Based Research I	3
NURS 542	Professional Aspects of Nurse Anesthesia Practice	4
NURS 560	Clinical Anesthesia Practicum I	6
NURS 603	Evidence-Based Research II	3
NURS 561	Clinical Anesthesia Practicum II	4
NURS 609	DNP Project Teams (I)	2
NURS 562	Clinical Anesthesia Practicum III	5
NURS 608	Healthcare Economics, Finance and Leadership	3
NURS 609	DNP Project Teams (II)	2
NURS 563	Clinical Anesthesia Practicum IV	6
NURS 609	DNP Project Teams (III)	2
NURS 610	DNP Capstone	2
NURS 508	Nurse Anesthesia Review Course	1
NURS 576	Clinical Anesthesia Practicum V	5
Total Credits		94