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**WHAT DOES A NURSE ANESTHETIST DO?**

A nurse anesthetist is a healthcare professional who assesses and documents the patient's physical status, as well as selecting and implementing an appropriate anesthetic plan for the patient. They administer all forms of anesthesia, including general, regional, local and IV sedation. The nurse anesthetist works in a wide variety of settings, with responsibilities that include pre-operative, intra-operative and post-operative anesthesia care. The nurse anesthetist remains with the patient throughout the surgery. They also participate in acute and chronic pain management as well as cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

For more information about a career as a nurse anesthetist please contact:

- American Association of Nurse Anesthetists 847-692-7050 or www.aana.com
- Michigan Association of Nurse Anesthetists 800-437-6577 or www.miana.org

**WHY NURSE ANESTHETIST STUDIES?**

“The WSU program gives you the opportunity to work independently with the support of the clinical instructors. That makes for an easy transition from student to practicing CRNA.”

- JENNIFER PARKER
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist

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**WHY WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY?**

Wayne State University is a premier urban research institution offering more than 340 academic programs to nearly 28,000 graduate and undergraduate students. The University provides a multidisciplinary approach to research and education, and collaborates closely with government, industry and other institutions on a range of programs.

The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (EACPHS) is located on one of the largest academic medical campuses in the US and puts you in close proximity to the nation’s leading health care educators. A degree from the College puts you in good company, with more than 12,000 EACPHS-educated health care professionals in Michigan.

The Wayne State nurse anesthesia program offers superb classroom education and extensive clinical affiliations that provide experiences in all types of anesthetic management. The program is renowned for over 50 years of excellence in nurse anesthesia education, boasting a multitude of national and local leaders among its graduates. The program is accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA) of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs. Upon program completion, the graduate is fully prepared to complete the National Certification Examination and to practice in the clinical setting of their choice as a Certified Nurse Registered Nurse Anesthetist.

**HOW DO I APPLY?**

The application cycle is February 1- June 1. The applicant must complete all requirements including the program application and supplemental materials.
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
To be eligible to apply to the Nurse Anesthesia program, applicants must have the following:

- Baccalaureate degree in Nursing.
- A minimum of one undergraduate course (3 credits) of Chemistry: Organic or Biochemistry taken within 10 years of application with an earned final grade of “B” or higher. (No General Chemistry courses accepted)
- A minimum of one undergraduate course of Microbiology or Anatomy or Physiology taken within 10 years of application with an earned final grade of “B” or higher.
- Overall minimum GPA of 3.0 for the last 60 credits completed.
- Overall Nursing GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Overall Science GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Current RN licensure.
- Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- Current Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
- CCRN certification
- Current employment of a minimum of one year full-time in an ICU (SICU, MICU, CICU, Neurotrauma, pediatric academic teaching hospital. PACU, and ER employment are not accepted as ICU experience.
- Completion of one (1) in-hospital shadow experience at the applicant’s own work setting before June 1. Shadow experience at any other hospital is acceptable.
- Three professional references, two from current ICU RN co-workers and one from immediate RN ICU supervisor.
- Note that the CAS application must be received by June 1 and verified by July 1 in order for an applicant to be considered for admission.

See program Web site for more details regarding the application and admission process: http://cphs.wayne.edu/nurse-anesthesia/

Prior to applying, please attend a program Information Meeting, held the first Tuesday of each month from September to May at 4:00 p.m. Register here: http://cphs.wayne.edu/nurse-anesthesia/info-meetings.php

Jennifer Parker is currently employed as a CRNA at Henry Ford Hospital Macomb. She appreciates the way that the WSU program integrates classroom and clinical experiences, as it allows students to apply what they learned right away, reinforcing new concepts. Additionally, the program exposes students to a diverse population. She says, “No matter what environment you choose to work in after graduation, you will have experienced similar cases and patients during your time in the program.” The program also keeps students current, as the courses are taught by practicing CRNA’s: the information is always “updated and relevant.” Parker is enjoying the role of the nurse anesthetist as it allows her to work autonomously and blends the skills needed as a bedside nurse with advanced practice.

GENERAL DEADLINES FOR ADMISSION

CENTRALIZED APPLICATION SYSTEM (CAS) - 
Application opens February 1
Deadline is June 1
https://nursingcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux

WSU GRADUATE APPLICATION:
http://wayne.edu/admissions/graduate - Completed upon acceptance into the program
Office of Graduate Admissions
5057 Woodward, Suite 6000
Detroit, MI 48202
http://wayne.edu/admissions/graduate
877-WSU-INFO or 313-577-3577

Financial Aid
313-577-3378
http://wayne.edu/financial-aid/

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