

Dear Prospective Student,

The University of Scranton and Wyoming Valley Health Care System thank you for your interest in the Nurse Anesthesia Program. Together we are offering a Master of Science degree with a concentration in Nurse Anesthesia. This affiliation allows us to educate professional Advanced Practice Nurses who are among the best in the field of Nurse Anesthesia. The program can be completed in 25 continuous months of full-time study.


The University of Scranton Nursing Program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. The undergraduate Nursing program has been in existence since 1981, and the graduate program in Nursing since 1995. All full-time faculty teaching in the graduate program are doctorally prepared. The majority of faculty are involved in clinical practice and nursing research. The Nursing Department is housed in a new building with state-of-the-art facilities, including an advanced technology center.

The Wyoming Valley Health Care System Hospital School of Nurse Anesthesia has been fully accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs since its inception in 1970. The office suite and classrooms for the School of Nurse Anesthesia are located on the campus of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital in Wilkes-Barre, PA, about 20 miles south of Scranton.

The School of Nurse Anesthesia provides instruction in anesthesia theory and clinical practice. Our students graduate with approximately 750 cases and over 1,200 hours of clinical practice. Students gain experience administering general, regional, and monitored anesthesia care to a wide population of patients. The program is currently affiliated with eleven clinical sites. All clinical sites are approximately within two hours driving distance from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. These clinical affiliations allow us to offer the best possible experience in different types of anesthesia populations.

We are currently accepting applications for the Class of 2013. Students will begin their studies in August of 2011. This is a highly competitive program and applications postmarked later than October 1, 2010 *will not* be considered for August 2011 admission. Enclosed in the packet you will find the prerequisite list of admission requirements (enclosure 1); additional information for the Nurse Anesthesia program (enclosures 2 & 3); and a checklist for applicants (enclosure 4).

Please mail your application materials to The University of Scranton. Once the Office of Graduate Admissions has processed your application, it will be sent to the Wyoming Valley Health Care System School of Nurse Anesthesia for review. If you meet the minimum requirements for the program, you will be contacted in Fall 2010 inviting you to visit the School of Nurse Anesthesia. This will include a tour, discussion with current nurse anesthesia students, and a group interview. You will receive a letter in January 2011 regarding our decision about your status. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Wyoming Valley Health Care System School of Nurse Anesthesia at (570) 552-3680. Once again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Roback
Associate Vice President
Admissions & Enrollment

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and
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Admission Requirements

1. A BSN from a NLNAC or CCNE accredited School of Nursing with a verification of current Nurse License.
2. A minimum cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 from **all** colleges/universities attended, if not, GRE's are required.
3. A minimum of one year ICU, CCU, SICU experience.
4. Two college Chemistry Courses.
5. Proof of an undergraduate Statistics Course and Health Assessment Course.
6. A statement of Professional Goals.
7. **Official** transcript(s) from courses taken from **all** colleges/ universities attended.
8. Three current references (one from the applicant's current supervisor).
9. Current BCLS, ACLS and PALS certification.
10. All admission requirements must be **completed** by the October 1 deadline.

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Name: _____

Critical Care Work Experience

1. List your clinical experiences during the past five years, providing specific dates as well as hospital size (# of beds) where you received those experiences. State whether the experiences were full or part-time. Also, the # of beds of the ICU, CCU, SICU.

Experiences	Full or P/T	Dates(s)	Hosp Size	# of ICU Beds

Enclosure 2 (continued)

In which of the following have you had significant hands-on experience?

CVP's

Swan Ganz Catheters

ABG's

SV02 Monitoring

Have you had any special or additional training: (Briefly describe)

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Clinical Experience Verification

(To be completed by employer(s) covering the last 5 years)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Place of Employment: _____

From: _____ To: _____

Hours worked per week: _____

Full Time: _____

Part Time: _____

Type of Unit _____ Number of beds: _____

(Please specify)

_____ Number of beds: _____

_____ Number of beds: _____

Signature of Employer: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

**Use one copy per employer/facility*

Return to: The University of Scranton
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Checklist for Applicant

1. _____ *The University of Scranton Graduate Admissions Application*
(Please visit: www.scranton.edu/gradapply)
(fee is waived by Federal Grant fund from July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010)
2. _____ *Three current references, **including one from applicant's current supervisor**,
in sealed envelopes enclosed.*
3. _____ *Your official transcript from all colleges/universities attended.*
(The GRE Test is required if all cumulative GPA is below 3.0)
4. _____ *Copy of verification of current Nursing License.*
5. _____ *Copy of **current** BCLS, ACLS and PALS Certification.*
6. _____ *Critical Care Work Experience form.*
7. _____ *Clinical Experience Verification form.*
8. _____ *Proof of two college Chemistry courses, Statistics Course, and Health
Assessment course (please provide course description if course is not listed
as above.*
9. _____ *A Statement of Professional Goals.*

Items 1 through 9 must be completed and enclosed in the application in order to be scheduled for a Group Interview.