Doctor of Nursing Practice

Nursing Practice with a Concentration in Nurse Anesthesia (DNP)

Doctor of Nursing Practice - Nurse Anesthesia

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The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) with specialization in nurse anesthesia prepares the graduate to provide a variety of anesthetics to patients across the lifespan and wellness continuum. Graduates are groomed to translate research and evidence into clinical practice, to care for underserved and diverse populations, incorporate emerging care technologies, develop leadership skills and measure patient outcomes in an effort to improve safety and quality of patient care.

The Old Dominion University DNP program with specialization in nurse anesthesia is a 36 month full time program that begins in May each year. The program is a hybrid of on-campus and on-line classes. The curriculum is an assimilation of nurse anesthesia specialty and DNP courses. Each student is required to complete a scholarly project that addresses patient care, quality improvement, process improvement, or practice improvement. The Nurse Anesthesia program is accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs. For admission requirements see the website for the School of Nursing (http://www.odu.edu) or contact the program director.

Admission Requirements for the Nurse Anesthesia Program

In addition to meeting University requirements, applicants must meet the admission criteria below:

2. Baccalaureate degree in nursing from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average.
3. Three letters of recommendation, with at least one from a direct supervisor.
4. A 500-700 word essay that should speak specifically to the concentration area to which you are applying.
5. Critical Care Registered Nurse Certification
6. A minimum of 16 hours of clinical shadowing experience
7. Current Resume

Application Deadline
Nurse Anesthesia - September 15

Curriculum Requirements

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