



## The Admission Requirements for the Nurse Anesthesia Program are as follows:

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- Graduate of a CCNE or NLN accredited baccalaureate nursing program
- BSN degree (must include min. of 3 hrs. of chemistry, 6 hours of anatomy & physiology and 3 hrs. of microbiology)
- Current unencumbered RN Ohio Board of Nursing license at the start of the program
- Transcripts of **all** College/Universities undergraduate coursework. A minimum of a **3.0 GPA** on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent) for **all** nursing degrees and **science grades** are required for admission. (Classes that have been retaken will **not** be average in towards your overall GPA)
- A minimum of one year of current **adult** critical care experience before the interview. Current experience is defined as one consecutive year of adult critical care nursing. The following does **not** constitute critical care experience for admission to The University of Akron: operating room, labor, delivery step down telemetry units, neonatal intensive care, emergency room, post-anesthesia care units, and cardiac catheterization labs. Pediatric intensive care will be evaluated on an individual basis.
- Observe a CRNA for a minimum of 16 hours
  - (See Observation Form)
- Current ACLS certification.
  - (This must be maintained throughout the program)
- CCRN certification before the interview
- Essay, a 300-word position paper is describing your professional goals, purpose in seeking graduate education, and why The University of Akron Nurse Anesthesia Program.
- Resume outlining educational and employment experiences, professional organization memberships, licensure, scholarly activity, awards, and community involvement (See Resume Template).
- References from three individuals who can attest to the applicant's clinical and academic skills and potential (See Reference Form)
  - Current nursing supervisor
  - A member of the nursing profession who can attest to the applicant's scholarly abilities.
  - A former college or school faculty member (or a second nursing supervisor if out of school for more than three years)
- The University of Akron Graduate School Application

The program does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, age, gender, nationality, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, or any factor protected by law.