

PROGRAM STUDY (67 CREDITS)

| First Year | | | |
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| Semester I | Crs.; hrs.; labs hrs; CI hrs | Semester II | Crs.; hrs.; labs hrs; CI hrs |
| Human Anatomy and Physiology | 3 crs 54 hrs. | Advanced Pathophysiology I | 3 crs.; 54 hrs. |
| Chemistry, Biochemistry and Physics | 3 crs; 54 hrs. | Advanced Pharmacology I | 3 crs; 54 hrs. |
| Nursing Theories, Professional and Legal Aspect | 3 crs; 54 hrs. | Basic Anesthesia | 4 crs; 54 hrs. 36 hrs. Labs. |
| Advanced Health Assessment | 3 crs; 36hrs. 36 hrs. Labs. | Clinical Practice I | 3 crs. 288 CI hrs. |
| Summer I | | | |
| Advanced Principles in NAP I | 3 crs; 54 hrs. | Clinical Practice II | 3 crs; 192 CI hrs. |
| Second Year | | | |
| First Semester | Crs.; hrs.; labs hrs; CI hrs | Second Semester | Crs.; hrs.; labs hrs; CI hrs |
| Advanced Pathophysiology II | 3 crs; 54 hrs. | Obstetrics & Neonatal Pediatrics | 3 crs.; 54 hrs. |
| Advanced Principles in NAP II | 3 crs; 54 hrs. | Advanced Principles in NAP III | 3 crs.; 54 hrs. |
| Advanced Pharmacology II | 3 crs; 54 hrs | Clinical Practice IV | 3 crs.; 432 CI hrs. |
| Clinical Practice III | 3 crs. 432 CI hrs. | Evidence Based Research for Anesthesia | 3 crs. 54 hrs. |
| | | Comprehensive Exam | |
| Summer II | | | |
| Residency I (Clinical Correlation Conference) | | 4 crs. 20hrs. 256 CI hrs | |
| Third Year | | | |
| First Semester | Crs.; hrs.; labs hrs; CI hrs | | |
| Residency II (Clinical Correlation Conference) | 5 crs. 25 hrs. 576 CI hrs. | | |
| Research Seminar | 3 crs; 54 hrs | | |



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NURSE ANESTHESIA PROGRAM

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PROGRAM OF STUDY MSN-SA

The Program is organized to be completed in 29 consecutive months. To qualify students should approve 67 credits distributed in: 6 credits core courses, 18 credits of basic sciences courses, 40 credits of basic and advanced anesthesia courses and 3 credits of elective course. The total didactic and clinical hours are 2,176.

Graduates of this Program will possess the qualifications and capabilities to perform as:

1. Competent practitioner that applies critical thinking and evidence-based research in anesthesia practice and professional development through lifelong learning.
2. Abides to ethical and legal standards as he/she addresses knowledgeable responsibilities toward patients, profession and society.
3. Communicates effectively with patients, family and other professionals, including documentation of patient medical record.
4. Demonstrates clinical competencies in administering anesthesia and anesthesia-related care including but not limited to; pre-anesthetic preparation and evaluation of patients, anesthesia induction, maintenance and emergence, post-anesthesia care, and clinical support functions.
5. Assumes leadership role in the advocacy, education and consultation within the scope of practice of nursing anesthesia.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Possess a Baccalaureate degree in nursing from a national accredited program (CCNE or NLNAC).
- A preferred undergraduate grade point average of 3.00 in general education courses, sciences and nursing courses.
- An undergraduate statistics and chemistry courses
- English proficiency as evidenced by Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) minimum score.

- Evidence of permanent license as registered nurse.
- To comply with state laws, all students are required to be licensed in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Reciprocity forms may be obtained from the Puerto Rico State Board of Nursing. The license is required at the beginning of the Program.
- One year of professional experience as a registered nurse in acute critical care in the last five years.
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) over 400 minimum score or 400 minimum score in Admission Test for Graduate Studies (EXADEP).
- Possess current BLS, ACLS and PALS certifications.
- Three letters of recommendation. One from each of the following: a) most recent employer; b) a health care professional preferably a licensed physician or a CRNA, and c) previous teacher that can attest the academic suitability to pursue graduate education. The letters should reflect an accurate appraisal of clinical skills, experience, and independent decision making.
- Submit a written commitment to sit for NCE within 120 days after completing the clinical and didactic requirements
- Possess computer literacy.
- Complete the official application kit and submit the supporting documentation required.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The candidate must have completed the didactic and clinical program requirements for granting the degree. It includes: Completion of sixty seven (67) credits for the degree, obtain a General Academic Point Average of 3.00, approval the specialty courses with a minimum of a B average, completion of all didactic courses and clinical hours and experiences as specified by the Program, Sign written commitment to sit for the NCE.

CRITERIA FOR STUDENTS SELECTION

A minimum average of 65% as a result of the sum of the following criteria:

- A Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) 25%
- Minimum specific index 20%
- Results of GRE/EXADEP 20%
- Personal Interview (English) 20%
- TOEFL Examination 10%
- Analysis of Curriculum Vitae 5%

FOREIGN STUDENTS

The nursing professional credentials must be submitted to a US credentialing center to determine the equivalent standards required in the BSN program of the University of Puerto Rico.

All courses are delivered in Spanish. Tests are delivered in English. References, books, journals, and other printed

ADMISSION CAPACITY

material are mainly in English.

- Seven (7) students.

ACCREDITATIONS

- Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA)
- Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)
- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
- Approved by the Puerto Rico Council on Education

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