

Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Student Information

Housing

Students are responsible for their own room, board and living expenses. Housing at distant affiliate clinical sites is provided for 1 or 2 month rotations.

Health Services

Basic health services are available through Employee Health Services. All students must have appropriate vaccinations prior to clinical experience. Contact school for further information. Each student is required to show proof of health insurance coverage. Insurance plan may be offered through the college. Coverage must be maintained throughout enrollment.

Employment

Student employment is allowed only if it does not interfere with the academic and/or clinical responsibilities of the student. At NO time will a student be employed as an anesthesia provider.

Discretionary Leave Time

During Phase I, students have leave time as specified by the academic calendar for the Bryan College of Health Sciences.

During Phase II, students have 25 days of personal discretionary leave for vacation, sick and personal time (beginning for those in the revised curriculum implemented in May 2019). Six days must be used within the first 12 months of Phase II. This personal leave may be taken at the discretion of the student and with the approval of the Program Director. In addition, students will receive all Bryan College of Health Sciences observed holidays. When at affiliate sites, students receive all holidays observed by that particular institution. Class attendance is mandatory. If a student is ill, they will notify the instructor in advance of class and missed work must be made up.

Time Commitment

The student will be expected to spend 50-60 hours per week on didactic, clinical or on-call responsibilities. In addition, students should allow for travel time to affiliate clinical sites, most within a 150 mile radius of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Call

Students are assigned in-house call experiences the last 18 months of the program. Students provide direct patient care for no more than 16 continuous hours with a minimum 10 hour rest period following call. Each affiliated site arranges its own call schedule.

Liability

Liability insurance is provided by Bryan Medical Center.

Financial Aid

Student financial aid is applied for and handled through the Bryan College of Health Sciences Financial Aid Office.

Clinical Practicum

The Nurse Anesthesia program is especially proud of its extensive clinical experience, which includes specialty rotations in a variety of clinical sites as well as in-house call with trauma experience. Each student is also assigned to a two-month clinical and a one-month rotation in a smaller community hospital site during both the first and second year of clinical experience. These community hospital clinical rotations allow for further experience with regional anesthetic techniques. The student may choose up to two additional optional rural anesthesia practice rotations as well. Each student has an assigned "home hospital" either in Lincoln, Omaha, or Kearney. The Clinical Practicum schedule is continuous for the 24 month Phase II. Students are assigned to a clinical site each day except for assigned course/curriculum requirements.

Life Support Provider Status

All DNAP students must hold current provider status in the American Heart Association approved Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) courses. Proof of provider status is required upon enrollment into the program and must be maintained throughout the program.