

## **DNAP Admission Requirements**

The TCU School of Nurse Anesthesia program participates in the Nursing Centralized Application Services (NursingCas). An application fee will be collected by NursingCas.

Applicants meeting the following criteria will be considered for admission:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing, or an appropriate bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited school or college in the United States.
  - Prerequisite science courses for application to DNAP program:
    - 1. Anatomy and Physiology I (or its equivalent)
    - 2. Anatomy and Physiology II (or its equivalent)
    - 3. Microbiology
    - 4. Chemistry, Biochemistry, or Organic Chemistry (at least one course in a Chemistry is required for admission).
  - These science courses are within most undergraduate bachelor's degrees. If any of these courses have not been taken or included as part of an applicant's undergraduate degree, the course(s) must be taken prior to consideration for admission.
  - Prerequisite courses must be taken at regionally accredited US schools or universities.
     Portage Learning is accredited as a secondary school. Portage Learning coursework is not accepted for the prerequisite course requirements.
- Unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse
- Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores
  - o All applicants must submit GRE test scores taken within the last five years.
  - Applicants must request GRE scores from the test center to be sent directly to NursingCAS using score report code 4373.
  - Scores must be received by NursingCAS before the program application deadline May
     15.
  - o The minimum GRE scores are:
    - Quantitative reasoning 150
    - Verbal reasoning 150
    - Analytic writing 3.5
  - Applicants with a master's degree must submit official GRE scores of tests taken within the last 5 years.

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- The GRE score report code for the TCU School of Nurse Anesthesia is 4373.
- Overall weighted GPA ≥ 3.0, math and science courses GPA ≥ 3.0, and last 60 hours of coursework GPA ≥ 3.0.
- A minimum of one year of experience in critical care; two years are recommended.

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- Certification in BLS and ACLS.
- CCRN exam score sheet.
- CCRN certificate or letter of certification from the AACN.
- CV / Resume
- Three professional recommendations (one must be from a current supervisor)
- Kira Talent Assessments
  - o Applicants will answer a series of prerecorded questions in online videos.
  - Responses will be independently evaluated by multiple reviewers who will assess an applicant's strengths using competency-based criteria and structured rubrics.
  - These assessments provide a sense of our culture and values, as well as what we're looking for in our top candidates.
  - o More information available in NursingCAS application.

All documents, transcripts, test results and references will be submitted to and verified by NursingCas.

The documents below are part of the TCU DNAP graduate application. These two forms must be uploaded to NursingCas upon completion.

- Shadow Verification Form
- Work History Verification Form

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. All applications and required materials, including letters of recommendation and the application fee, must be received by May 15 for the class beginning the following January. Candidates will be notified of admission status by August 31.

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