



SCHOOL OF NURSING POLICY

Policy Name: Graduation Requirements

Approval Authority: Rutgers School of Nursing Faculty

Responsible Executive: Executive Vice Dean

Responsible Office: Nurse Anesthesia Specialty Track

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1. **Policy Statement:** To clarify requirements for completion of the Nurse Anesthesia Specialty Track, congruent with requirements of Rutgers Health, the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA) and the National Board for Certification of Nurse Anesthetists (NBCRNA); and to insure that all graduates meet minimum competency requirements.

2. **Who Should Read this Policy:** faculty, administration, and all Nurse Anesthesia students

3. **Resources and Related Documents:**

Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA).

Standard for Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Programs, February 2024

Standard for Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Programs-Practice Doctorate, February 2024

<https://www.coacrna.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Standards-for-Accreditation-of-Nurse-Anesthesia-Programs-Practice-Doctorate-editorial-rev-February-2024-1.pdf>

School of Nursing Student Policies

<http://nursing.rutgers.edu/policies/index.html>

National board on Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthesia, Council on Certification 2023 Candidate Handbook.

https://www.nbcna.com/docs/default-source/publications-documentation/handbooks/nbcna-hb-nce-v4.pdf?sfvrsn=2d78115b_8

4. **Policy**

In order to graduate from the SN Nurse Anesthesia Program a student must have successfully met all graduation criteria established by the School of Nursing AND:

- Have successfully completed all courses stipulated by the nurse anesthesia program curriculum with a cumulative Grade Point Average of no less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Have successfully completed didactic and clinical educational objectives of the program and received a satisfactory Summative Clinical Evaluation prepared by the Program Director and Assistant Program Director with input from the student's clinical preceptors
- Have successfully completed the didactic and clinical experience required by the Council on Accreditation and by the National Board for Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists and met all criteria for eligibility to take the National Certification Examination for Nurse Anesthetists
- Satisfied all SN and program debts and responsibilities

At the discretion of the Program Director and the Dean of the School of Nursing, graduation may be deferred and the course of study extended in order for a student to complete graduation requirements. Repeated enrollment in courses and additional tuition charges will result from such a deferral of graduation.