

The primary purpose of the Nurse Anesthesia Program at The University of Akron is to educate registered nurses in the science and art of anesthesia so that they will become efficient and skilled in using various techniques of anesthesia in an intelligent, scientific, and safe manner. Faculty is committed to provide a dynamic, progressive educational program that facilitates students' professional and personal growth.

The University of Akron Nurse Anesthesia Program recognizes the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist as a vital contributor to the anesthesia health care services provided to the community. Of prime concern is the welfare of all patients for whom our graduates will administer anesthesia in the future. The spirit within our program is developed from a loyalty to the education of our students; respect for our program, faculty, and students; pride in the University and the affiliate Departments of Anesthesia. In addition, there is the general belief that all people within this consortium are striving for the same goal: the comfort and care of humankind.

It is our belief that the education of the nurse anesthetist will include thorough instruction in the sciences related to anesthesia, a broadbased foundation in health care delivery, and ample opportunity to become adept in the technical skills necessary to administer physiologically sound anesthesia care. To provide this education to student nurse anesthetists, university educators and anesthesia practitioners strive to create and preserve an atmosphere that is student oriented. Anesthesiologists, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, residents and student nurse anesthetists function as an anesthesia care team in the clinical setting, each giving his/her highest level of expertise for the benefit of the patient and the development of the ongoing educational process.

