

# **Application Information**

#### **Timeline of Admission**

September 1: Application Deadline September-October: Interviews conducted, by invitation only End of October: Admission offered to selected applicants May (of the following year): Orientation and coursework begins

#### **Minimum Requirements for Admission:**

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) or Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) from a regionally accredited college or university, with a nursing program that is accredited by a nationally recognized nursing accrediting agency (CCNE or ACEN)
- Current, unencumbered registered nurse (RN) licensure. (Missouri RN license required prior to program start date)
- Minimum one-year full-time work experience, or its part-time equivalent, as an RN in a critical care area
- Specific undergraduate coursework:
  - General College Chemistry I
  - Organic Chemistry I with lab (grade of B or better highly recommended)
  - Undergraduate freestanding health assessment course with a minimum grade of B or better prior to the first clinical course
  - Undergraduate statistics (or quantitative analysis) course recommended
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.2 for the BSN or MSN degree (based on a 4.0 scale).
  - Emphasis will be placed on GPA in science courses

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#### **Application Instructions**

- 1. Complete the NursingCAS application
  - The Achievements, Experiences, and Licenses and Certifications sections located in the Supporting Information part of the application must be completed
- 2. Request that official transcripts from all US institutions attended be sent to NursingCAS
- 3. Request 3 letters of recommendation be sent through the NursingCAS recommender portal. References must be from the following:
  - Immediate supervisor at your current place employment
  - Faculty professor from BSN or MSN program
  - Reference able to assess your professional characteristics
- 4. Upload the following items in the Documents section of NursingCAS
  - RN licensure
  - Certifications (ACLS, BLS, CCRN or equivalent)

#### **Selection Criteria**

The Admissions Committee will invite for interview those applicants whom they consider to be capable of the greatest success in doctoral studies and the anesthesia program. Academic achievement, evidence of sound physical and emotional health, ethical and moral character, and motivation to undertake serious study are essential for graduate school success. Average class size is 18-20 students.

The University Health Truman Medical Center School of Nurse Anesthesia utilizes a holistic application strategy to assess an applicant's unique experiences alongside traditional measure of academic achievement.

#### Selection is based on the following criteria:

- Transcripts and grade point average
- Quality of clinical experience
- Evaluation of letters of recommendation
- Essay questions and writing sample
- Personal interview (by invitation)

### Applying to UMKC School of Nursing and Health Studies

The UHTMC School of Nurse Anesthesia is offered in collaboration with the UMKC School of Nursing and Health Studies. Students who are selected for admission to the UHTMC School of Nurse Anesthesia will receive instructions for applying to UMKC School of Nursing and Health Studies at that time.

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