



## Perioperative Nursing Annual Application

First day to submit is June 20, last day to submit is July 24 each year.

The attached materials provide an application submission guide for the Perioperative Nursing program. Please read all of the application carefully. In order for your application to be considered, all steps must be completed and the required materials submitted to Hawk Central Student Records office at the Pasco campus.

Perioperative nurses are Registered Nurses (RNs) with special training, knowledge, and skills in surgical patient care. Perioperative nurses work in hospital operating rooms and surgical services departments, ambulatory surgery centers, physician offices, and other specialty facilities providing care to patients during the course of a surgical procedure. They work closely with surgeons, anesthesia providers, surgical technologists, and other operating room professionals. Traditionally, the perioperative nurse may serve as either a scrub nurse or a circulating nurse. In the scrub role, the perioperative nurse establishes and maintains the sterile field, anticipates the needs of the surgical team, and passes instruments and supplies to the surgeon and surgical first assistant. In the circulating role, the perioperative nurse manages the overall care of the patient and ensures patient safety by ensuring a proper environment. The circulator also transfers and positions the patient, performs urinary catheterization, positions the patient, performs counts of all instruments and supplies with the surgical technologist or scrub nurse, and maintains intraoperative documentation. To be successful, perioperative nurses must develop a strong sense of physical and environmental awareness and the ability to anticipate the patient and surgical team's needs. This requires in-depth knowledge of surgical anatomy, operative procedures, surgical instrumentation and supplies, sterilization and infection control procedures, and technical specialty equipment.

CBC's Perioperative Nursing program incorporates AORN's PeriOp 101 program into didactic, laboratory, and clinical study. Didactic coursework is presented using a hybrid online and classroom-based learning environment, culminating in a 165-hour clinical experience designed to prepare students for a career in the operating room. Program applicants must be licensed RNs meeting specific entrance criteria.

The Perioperative Nursing program is a selective admission and competitive entrance program. You must apply to the College and also to the program. CBC's Perioperative Nursing program is a two-quarter program beginning in fall quarter. Graduates will earn a Short-term Certificate in Perioperative Nursing.

Applications must be received as a complete package. Please read and complete all sections of the application. Applications will be evaluated for priority based on completion of all requirements.

Program applications must be either postmarked or hand delivered to:

**Hawk Central Columbia Basin College  
2600 North 20th Avenue  
Pasco, WA 99301**

Applications are due July 24, 2020.

For additional assistance, please contact the Health Science Center in Richland during office hours at (509) 544-8300.

## Minimum Entrance Requirements

- A. Meet college admission criteria as stated in the College Catalog prior to applying for application into the program.
- B. Complete and submit a Perioperative Nursing program application.
- C. Provide proof of an unencumbered registered nursing (RN) license.
- D. Submit three professional letters of reference on company or organization letter head.
- E. Submit a 500-word essay describing your career and educational goals in perioperative nursing.
- F. Have completed a minimum of an associate degree in nursing.
- G. Apply for admission prior to the deadline.
- H. Attend a formal interview with program faculty as directed (following receipt of application).
- I. Prior professional nursing experience preferred but not required.
- J. Submit official college transcripts to CBC Student Records office for every college attended
  - a. Transcripts from other colleges must be received by Columbia Basin College Student Records office as soon as they are available. This will expedite your application to the Perioperative Nursing program.
  - b. Students who have taken classes at Columbia Basin College do not need to include a transcript from CBC. The Student Records office will provide a current copy of your transcript to accompany this application.

## General Information for Accepted Students

Once students have been accepted into the program, the following information will be helpful to guide them with other requirements necessary to maintain enrollment.

- A. Student study requirements have been found to be a minimum of three hours per week for each scheduled theory credit hour.
- B. After acceptance, you are required to submit a national criminal history search, and upload your immunization history using the College-approved vendor. All students must provide results of a yearly tuberculin skin test by the due date listed and comply with all program and College policies, and evidence of currency of required immunizations.
- C. All students must successfully complete required courses with a 75 percent or higher (2.0 GPA) to remain enrolled in the Perioperative Nursing course sequence.
- D. Attendance is vitally important to successfully complete the Perioperative Nursing certificate. Students must adhere to the attendance policy.
- E. Scholarships and loans may be available through the Financial Aid office or Worker Retraining programs. For more information, contact that office and review the Columbia Basin College website ([columbiabasin.edu](http://columbiabasin.edu)).
- F. All students are encouraged to have accident/health insurance. A student injury and sickness insurance plan is available for purchase. Forms are available from the campus Cashier's Office or the Health Science Center.
- G. All students are required to have malpractice insurance; this is not accident/health insurance. The fee for malpractice insurance will be included with registration.
- H. Students will have regularly scheduled class sessions throughout the Perioperative Nursing program. During winter quarter, students will be required to attend clinical sessions. Clinical sessions will be scheduled as clinical space is available. Students need to be flexible during the clinical sessions to accommodate the rigorous clinical schedule. A minimum of 165 clinical hours must be completed.
- I. Students must attend a formal program orientation prior to the start of the Perioperative Nursing program.

For additional information or assistance related to these entrance requirements, please contact the Health Science Center office.

Health Science Center, MS-R2  
Columbia Basin College  
2600 North 20th Avenue  
Pasco, WA 99301  
(509) 544-8300

I have read all of the criteria and requirements for the CBC Perioperative Nursing program.  
I certify my information contained within this application is accurate and complete to the best of my ability.

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Applicant Signature

Date



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First day to submit is June 20, last day to submit is July 24 of each year

**Demographic Information**

Last Name	First	Middle	Previous Name(s)	
Address		City	State	Zip
Phone	Alternative Phone	Birth Date	CBC Student ID Number	
Email Address				

**Prior Education**

Have you earned a minimum of an associate degree in nursing?  Yes  No

If yes, complete the following:

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Programs or Degrees Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Education and Credentials (list any other healthcare credentials and degrees below) \_\_\_\_\_

**Admission Checklist** (attach a copy of each)

- Do you possess an unencumbered registered nursing license?  Yes  No License Number \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have 3 professional letters of reference on company or organization letter head?  Yes  No
- Have you submitted educational transcripts demonstrating completion of a minimum associate degree in nursing?  Yes  No Highest degree earned \_\_\_\_\_ School name and location \_\_\_\_\_
- Did you write a 500-word essay describing your career and educational goals in perioperative nursing?  Yes  No
- Do you have previous professional experience as a registered nurse?  Yes  No Position and location \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have a current Basic Life Support certification issued by the American Heart Association (AHA)?  Yes  No Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read all of the criteria and requirements for the Columbia Basin College Perioperative Nursing program and certify the information contained within this application is accurate and complete to the best of my ability. I understand this application must be delivered before the close of the business day by the due date listed above.

Applicant Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**ESTIMATED PERIOPERATIVE NURSING PROGRAM EXPENSES 2019-2020**

\*\*\* All stated costs are subject to change. However, the following figures may be used as a general guideline to assist applicants in preparing for the costs associated with the CBC Perioperative Nursing program.

**Tuition per quarter with fees (WA Resident) \***

Fall	9 cr.	\$1,190
Winter	9 cr.	\$1,190
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,380 ***</b>

**Fees\***

Malpractice (per Quarter)	\$7.50	
	<b>\$7.50 x 2 qtrs.</b>	<b>\$15 ***</b>
Books		\$410
Scrubs		\$100
Shoes (one pair, black)		\$100
Background Check		\$110
<b>Total Estimated Program Cost</b>		<b>\$3,115</b>

**Additional Costs:**

- Washington State HIV/AIDS Bloodborne Pathogens training which may be obtained from Biologix Solutions for \$35
- AHA BLS training and certification fees vary by training center
- Immunization costs will vary depending on what shots are needed
- Student Injury and Sickness Insurance Plan is available for approximately \$570 per quarter for students who do not have insurance

*Costs as of November 2019*

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