Anesthesiology Assistant
M.S.in Anesthesia

Information below is for pre-health advisement only. Students are responsible for verifying admissions information for their programs of interest. All information is subject to change.

Career Description:
Anesthesiology Assistants provide anesthesia to patients under the supervision of an anesthesiologist (a type of specialist physician). Anesthesiology Assistants are members of the anesthesia care team and assist with patient monitoring during the delivery of anesthesia, as well as completing other functions such as obtaining a patient’s medical history, administering medications, and performing physical exams.

Basic Education Path to Career:

Matriculant Statistics:
- Average overall GPA of matriculants in 2015: 3.10
- Exam Required: MCAT. Some schools will accept the GRE
- To be competitive for this career, schools want to see at least 2 years of pre-health semesters, which include multiple 3000/4000 level science courses before applying.
  - Pre-health semesters are: semesters consisting of minimum 14-16 credit hours, with 8-11 hours of science courses. Science courses consist of biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics.

Required extra-curricular activities:
1) Anesthetist shadowing experience
2) Other healthcare experience (e.g. clinical volunteering, internship, paid employment)

Recommended extra-curricular activities:
1) Undergraduate research
2) Leadership experience
3) Community service
4) Non-healthcare work experience

Resources:
- American Academy of Anesthesiology Assistants: http://www.anesthetist.org/
- For more information please contact the USF Division of Health Professions Advising at healthprofadvise@usf.edu