

Registered Nurses: Are you looking to specialize in the Operating Room?

NEW! Labor & Delivery RNs: Do you need skills to circulate for Cesarean deliveries?

Nursing and Human Resources Leaders: Do you have OR or L&D circulator vacancies?

Azusa Pacific University's Perioperative Nursing Course is now accepting applicants!

Operating Room Nurses provide specialty nursing care to patients undergoing surgery by preparing and maintaining the operating room for all surgical procedures including special equipment needed for daily procedures and emergencies, positioning the patient, assisting, scrubbing, and circulating. L&D nurses need these same skills to circulate during Cesarean deliveries. This 16-week course will provide basic didactic perioperative education and skills that will give the novice OR and L&D nurse the rationale and theory needed to provide safe patient care in the operating room in conjunction with a clinical preceptorship.

Course Cost is \$3,495 (\$500 non-refundable deposit) and includes:

- Online and face-to-face learning from an experienced nurse educator with OR and L&D experience
- Access to all AORN Periop 101: A Core Curriculum™ course modules, skills checklists, and videos; text books; and 1-year membership in AORN
- Class and skills lab at one of our convenient host hospital sites
- Materials, including name tags and books mailed to your home, disposable scrubs/booties/caps for skills sessions
- Precepted clinical experience (arranged in collaboration with the RN and hospital)
- 58 BRN-approved contact hours of CE credit from APU + 39.8 contact hours from AORN for completion of Periop 101: A Core Curriculum™
- Coordinated enrollment
- Required background check and health status tracker completion (additional fee for CastleBranch or Complio)

In collaboration with applicant, institutional nurse leaders will a) identify clinical preceptors, b) make work schedule adjustments, c) address the possibility of a paid clinical practicum, d) respond to queries about tuition assistance, and e) respond to applicant interest in future employment in their OR before enrolling in this course. For all applicants, **a confirmed clinical site will be needed to enroll in this course** and **full COVID vaccination (including booster, if eligible)** is required by our host hospital for skills sessions.

Nursing and Human Resources Leadership should consider this course as a mechanism to support the practice transition of high performing RNs in your organization interested in the exciting specialties of Perioperative Nursing and circulating in L&D, OR invest in newly licensed RNs as potential candidates for employment, utilizing the course and clinical practicum as your pipeline for perioperative hiring.

To register, ask questions, or request registration information, contact:

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Apply now!
Space is limited.

