

The Veterans Health Administration:

Veterans' Health Administration is America's largest integrated health care system and the largest employer of nurses in the United States. The VANAP program partners the VA's world class health care system with the OU Health Science Center College of Nursing to provide compassionate, highly educated, innovative nurse leaders to promote health, healing, and social justice for the nation's Veteran population.



The objectives of the VANAP Program:

- Increase the number of baccalaureate prepared nurse graduates that can fully participate in and lead interprofessional health care teams that provide care and services to Veterans
- Increase the recruitment and retention of BSN graduates to the VAHCS nursing workforce and assist in their transition to practice and readiness for inter-professional collaboration
- Provide a deep immersion in veteran-centric topics with a focus on the unique health care needs of Veterans guided by clinical content experts, experienced faculty, and VA nursing staff

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VA LEARNING OPPORTUNITY



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The VANAP cohort consists of students enrolled in the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center (OUHSC) Fran and Earl Ziegler College of Nursing. VANAP program participants can either be self-selected or appointed to their position. Prior to the beginning of the junior semester students are given the opportunity to self-select for VANAP. Adult clinicals are completed at the Oklahoma City VAMC.

VANAP Eligibility:

- Open to students enrolled in the OU College of Nursing traditional Nursing Program.
- Students may enter the program in the junior or senior year.
- Hold a current BLS Certification

BENEFITS



Benefits:

- Opportunity to work in various patient care settings
- Ability to provide patient care while observing registered nurses in their roles
- Leadership Development Opportunities
- Nursing students who successfully complete the VANAP program are given hiring priority for the VALOR, TTP and PBRNR programs.

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How to Apply:

- The primary source of selection occurs when an incoming junior student demonstrates an interest in serving the OKC VAMC veteran population. Students may elect to participate in the two-year program by choosing the VAMC as their primary clinical site.