

## General Information and FAQ

1. **NKU MSCP Program Information**
  - a. [Cardiovascular Perfusion: Northern Kentucky University, Greater Cincinnati Region \(nku.edu\)](#) - Review the Program Catalog contained in this link
2. **Cardiovascular Perfusion Profession information**
  - a. [#1 Online Global Cardiovascular Community - Perfusion.com](#)
3. **Prerequisite Courses**
  - a. All prerequisite courses should be successfully completed by the start of the first semester.
  - b. All prerequisite courses should be completed with a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
  - c. You may be enrolled in prerequisite courses while applying. Admission is contingent on successful completion of the course work in progress.
4. **Application documents**
  - a. Documents required for application to our program should be submitted through ClearApply.us.com
  - b. Portal opens September 15<sup>th</sup>.
5. **Application timeline**
  - a. The application cycle is September 15<sup>th</sup> through February 1<sup>st</sup> of the subsequent year.
  - b. The application review and interview process are conducted in February and March with final decisions made in March.
6. **Transcript Review – prior to application**
  - a. The MSCP Admissions Team does not review transcripts prior to application to our program. If you are concerned about whether a course meets the prerequisite requirements, send your unofficial transcript and questions to [info@clearapply.us.com](mailto:info@clearapply.us.com)
7. **Information Sessions/Tours**
  - a. We do not have any information sessions available. This may be something we add to our program in the future.
  - b. There are no tours specific to the Cardiovascular Perfusion Program, however, you are welcome to take a virtual tour of our campus by visiting: [Northern Kentucky University AnyTour Virtual Tour & Interactive Map \(nku.edu\)](#) or coming to NKU at any time and touring our beautiful campus on your own.
8. **International Students**

- a. We are currently unable to accept International Students. This may be something we add to our program in the future.

**9. Shadowing**

- a. Applicants are encouraged to find their own shadowing opportunities
  - Use LinkedIn to find Cardiovascular Perfusionists in your area OR
  - Check local hospitals for Cardiovascular Surgery departments
- b. We encourage you to pursue Shadowing Opportunities even if you have clinical experience.
- c. Documentation of Shadowing must be submitted with your application.

**10. Letters of Recommendation**

- a. Should be submitted with all application materials ClearApply.us.com

**11. Interviews**

- a. If chosen for an interview, you will have the option to come in person or virtually attend.

**12. Scholarships**

- a. There are no scholarships available specifically to Cardiovascular Perfusion students.
- b. You can check here for external scholarships: [Graduate School Scholarships & Grants: Free Grants for Graduate Students \(collegegrant.net\)](#)

**13. Clinical Sites**

- a. Our program has contracts with clinical sites all over the United States.

**14. Undergraduate degrees that transition well to a Master Degree in Cardiovascular Perfusion**

- a. Respiratory Therapy (may still need Chemistry and Physics)
- b. Kinesiology/Exercise Physiology
- c. Chemistry Major
- d. Biology Major
- e. Nursing (will need physics, chemistry, and biochem or organic chem)