



Working Abroad

For IFNA, a nurse anesthetist is a person who has completed a program of basic nursing education and basic nurse anesthesia education and is qualified and authorized in his/her country to practice nurse anesthesia. Nurse Anesthetist is a general title for nurses working in anesthesia with a specific education. The title could be: Nurse Specialized (or Specialist) in Anesthesia or Anesthetic Nurse.

IFNA Country	Spain
Language requirement	There is no language requirement as such to get the recognition of the degree which allows foreign nurses to work in Spain. However, there may be requirements in the different institutions where the jobs are offered. In general, Spanish language knowledge is needed for public institutions and, in regions where there is also another official language, this is also required/recommended (at different levels). Each region has a different regulation, which needs to be checked directly with the regional health authority
Education requirements to become a nurse	Bachelor's degree
Education requirements to become a nurse anesthetist	Bachelor's degree
Legal authority that must recognize your education to practice as a nurse	Ministry of Education and Science https://www.mecd.gob.es/servicios-al-ciudadano-mecd/catalogo/educacion/gestion-titulos/estudios-universitarios/titulos-espanoles.html https://www.mecd.gob.es/servicios-al-ciudadano-mecd/catalogo/educacion/gestion-titulos/estudios-universitarios/titulos-extranjeros/homologacion-educacion-superior.html
Legal authority that must recognize your education to practice as a nurse anesthetist	See above. Here are the steps to get the degree recognition: https://www.mecd.gob.es/servicios-al-ciudadano-mecd/catalogo/educacion/gestion-titulos/estudios-universitarios/titulos-extranjeros/homologacion-educacion-superior.html
Required process to document competency to practice as a nurse anesthetist*, for example, certification	Currently, there is no such thing as a nurse anesthesia education qualification and authorization in our country. There are only postgraduate courses, which make the nurses better prepared for such a job. The specialization, as such, does not exist.

Visa requirements

Degree recognition is the basic requirement. Depending on the studies done in the country of origin, the nursing degree will be recognized as a Spanish nursing degree or maybe as nurse assistant (which is a different degree, not university).

Next to this recognition (by the Ministry of Education), there may be other legal visa requirements, depending on the country of origin. EU citizens of the Schengen area normally have no problem to work in Spain, once their degree is recognized.

Others

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