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Adrienne Hartgerink is the Nurse Anesthesia Program Director at the USU Graduate School of Nursing. In this role, she formulates and implements teaching, research, program policy and assignments. Furthermore, she oversees the planning, development and implementation of curriculum and its evaluation. Hartgerink takes on additional responsibilities as an Assistant Professor in the Nurse Anesthesia Program.

Hartgerink began her career shortly after graduating from James Madison University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She commissioned into the United States Air Force and spent more than 20 years practicing medicine in the nurse corps serving across the country and around the world. Highlights from previous assignments include practicing as a Staff Nurse in the special care unit in Wiesbaden, Germany; a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist at Eglin Air Force Base in Pensacola, Fl.; and a Critical Care Registered Nurse in a special care unit at Langley Air Force Base in Langley, Va.

Later, Hartgerink received a Master of Science in Nursing from the Uniformed Services University. After completing an assignment at Langley Air Force Base as the Assistant Chief Nurse Anesthetist and a deployment to the Philippines in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, Hartgerink rejoined the USU community as a faculty

member. While on campus, Hartgerink retired at the rank of lieutenant colonel but continues to support the University mission in a civilian capacity.

She has received many awards throughout her illustrious career including the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Award, the USU Uniformed Master's Faculty of the Year Award, the Faye G. Abdellah Outstanding Graduate Nurse Alumnus Award and the Certified Registered Nurse of the Year Award from Air Combat Command.

Hartgerink has published several articles, is a respected international presenter and is the primary investigator for a variety of studies centered on anesthesia research.