

NURSING ADMISSION TESTING DATES

2020-2021 School Year

Hesi Admission Assessment (A2) Exam

All students who apply for admission to the Registered Nursing Program or the Practical Nursing Program at Allegany College of Maryland will be required to participate in the nursing entrance exam. The exam is called the Hesi Admission Assessment (A2) Exam (HESI A2). You must take the exam as part of the application process. The score you receive on the exam will be considered as part of the selective admissions process. **If you do not take the HESI A2 exam, your application will NOT be evaluated and ranked for admittance to the program.**

- ❖ A study guide for this exam is available for purchase at the campus bookstores. The title of the study guide is Evolve Hesi Admission Assessment Exam Review (4th Edition). ISBN#978-1-4557-0333-3
- ❖ This site has a review course for the HESI A2 test .<https://www.mometrix.com/academy/hesi-a2-test/> There are over 7 hours of video tutorials and practice questions for the HESI A2 test on this site.
- ❖ The exam will be offered at both campuses. The exam is administered online in a computer lab. Please see the exam schedule for specific dates, times and examination locations.
- ❖ Dropdown calculators will be available on the computer screen for math problems. Scratch paper will also be provided. Please bring a pen or pencil for working on scratch paper. The exams will start promptly at the scheduled times. **Students arriving after the Start time will NOT be allowed to test in that session.**
- ❖ Seating is limited in the computer labs; therefore, when the lab becomes full, remaining students will have to take the exam at the alternate time offered. Once all seats are filled, no additional testing times will be added.

PLEASE NOTE: All students must take the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) exam to apply for the nursing program. Test dates are subject to weather conditions and it is possible an exam will have to be re-scheduled due to college closure or road conditions, ensuring safe travel for all participants. The exam fee is non-refundable for any reason.

HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT IN-PERSON EXAM	ROOM#	DEADLINE TO PAY
Cumberland		
Wednesday, September 23, 2020 8:00 AM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	September 11, 2020
Tuesday October 6, 2020 12:30 PM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	September 25, 2010
Tuesday, February 16, 2021 8:00 AM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	February 5, 2021
Wednesday, February 17, 2021 12:30 PM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	February 5, 2021
Tuesday, March 2, 2021 12:30 PM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	February 19, 2021
Tuesday, June 1, 2021 8:00 AM	Nursing Computer Lab AH264	May 21, 2021
Bedford		
Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 12:30 PM	Bedford Campus Computer Lab 21	September 25, 2020
Wednesday, March 3, 2021, 12:30 PM	Bedford Campus Computer Lab 21	February 19, 2021

***Note: **October** is the last date to take test for **Spring** Class. **March** is last date to take test for **Fall** Class.

THERE ARE TWO OPTIONS TO TAKE THE HESI A2 EXAM, ON-CAMPUS OR ONLINE

ON-CAMPUS EXAMS:

- ❖ **You must complete a request to schedule the nursing admission exam form in order to register for the exam.**
- ❖ Payment for the “In-person” exam must be received in the **Cumberland Nursing Office** by the dates listed for each exam. **Payments made after the deadline will cost an additional \$25.00 and will be subject to space and test availability. Late payments must be received in the Nursing Office no later than 4:00 PM three business days before the exam.** No payments will be taken at any branch campuses or the Business Office.
- ❖ **Note:** The test begins promptly at the time stated and takes approximately 4 hours to complete.
- ❖ **Students must arrive at least 15 minutes in advance of the test start time. Students arriving after the Start Time will not be allowed to test at that session.**
- ❖ **This test is NOT required for LPN's with advanced standing, High School students or Transfer students from another clinical nursing program.**

- ❖ Students must **pre-register** and **pre-pay for the exam.** The cost is **\$63.00**, which is non-refundable. Further information is on the attached additional pages including price, type of payment, deadlines for payment and late payment fee.

- ❖ You will need to schedule at least four hours to take the exam. You must arrive a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the start of the exam. The exams will start promptly at the scheduled times. **Students arriving after the Start time will NOT be allowed to test in that session.**

- ❖ **You must create a username and password with the testing company and bring that with you for the exam.** If you do not bring it with you the day of testing, you will **NOT** be permitted to test!!! You can create an account by going to the following websites and follow the prompts to create a Student Evolve Account: <http://evolve.elsevier.com/exam> OR <http://www.hesiinet.com/> Click the box to “register” and follow the prompts. **You will not be taking the exam or paying for the exam through the company website, only creating a username and password.** The exams are purchased through the college and administered at the college.

- ❖ **No refunds will be given for the exam after payment is received and deposited.**

- ❖ The exam will be offered at both campuses. The exam is administered online in a computer lab. Please see the exam schedule for specific dates, times and examination locations.

- ❖ Dropdown calculators will be available on the computer screen for math problems. Scratch paper will also be provided. Please bring a pen or pencil for working on scratch paper. The exams will start promptly at the scheduled times. **Students arriving after the Start time will NOT be allowed to test in that session.**

- ❖ The exam is scheduled by sending the exam registration form to the address listed on the application. Please complete the registration form in full. Students must also go the Evolve website to create a student account. Please see separate directions on the first page for directions.

- ❖ Students must **pre-register** and **pre-pay for the exam.** The cost is **\$63.00**, which is non-refundable. You must pay with cash, personal check, certified check, or money order payable to Allegany College of Maryland. It is **not advisable** to send cash in the mail. Payments must be received in the Cumberland Nursing Office by 4:00 P.M. for the designated payment deadline. **Payments made after the deadline will cost an additional \$25.00 and will be subject to space and exam availability. These payments must be received in the**

Nursing Office no later than 4:00 PM three business days before the exam and will be subject to space and exam availability. NOTE: No payments will be accepted at branch campuses or the business office.

- ❖ **All payments must be made at the Nursing Office in Cumberland or sent via U.S. mail to the address listed on the application.** Receipt will be issued when payment is received.
- ❖ If you take the exam once and feel you could improve your score, you may retake the exam multiple times but only one **once every 3 months**. You are required to pay for the exam each time before you take the exam.
- ❖ In case of inclement weather, call the Allegany College of Maryland phone number 301-784-5000 and follow the prompts for the campus you are inquiring about. You may also check the college website at www.allegany.edu. If the college is closed or opening late due to inclement weather, the exam will be cancelled according to the college schedule for that day (i.e. if there is a 2-hour delay, the 12:30 exam would still be given* but the 8:00 AM exam would be cancelled and re-scheduled). If an exam has to be cancelled due to inclement weather the exam will be re-scheduled for another date and students will be notified of that date. No refund will be given if a student cannot attend on the exam make-up date.

ONLINE EXAMS:

The Online HESI A2 exams are only available February 1 through 28 and September 1 through 30.

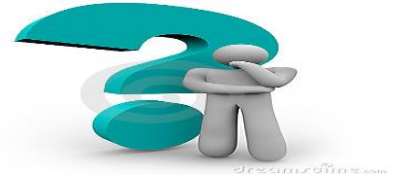
You must create and pay for your accounts at least 72 hours in advance of your requested testing day/time to ensure test availability and to avoid additional costs

- ❖ Go to Evolve at: <https://hesistudentaccess.elsevier.com/payments.html?PaymentID=19679>
Create an account using your ACM email address. Accept the terms and conditions. Then go to the upper left hand corner of the screen for the payment option. You enter your payment information and click submit. That's all you have to do to pay for the exam on Evolve.
- ❖ Once you have purchased the exam on Evolve, go to www.proctoru.com and create an account there. Select the *RN Admission Assessment with critical thinking (A2) - 1st Time Tester* exam and schedule a date and time for the exam.

*****YOU MUST DO BOTH STEPS AND PAY BOTH PLACES *****

Online testing tips:

- Any browser can be used. Pop up Blockers **MUST BE TURNED OFF!**
- Make sure you take the time to read/view all the help info on the ProctorU website (a little time upfront saves a lot of frustrated time later).
- Set your exam appointment for at least 15 min (30 min even better) before you want to start the exam to allow plenty of time for the set-up. If you finish the setup before the exam opens, you can use that time to mentally review the material, do some deep breathing/relaxation techniques, etc. while you wait.
- Make sure your computer and environment are ready to go.
- If you are waiting on a proctor, do not exit and come back in. ProctorU uses a queue system and if you log out you will go to the back of the line and have to wait even longer. Wait patiently, but if the wait seems excessive, stay connected and call them.
- Use a wired vs wi-fi connection if possible and minimize Internet use by others in the home during the exam.
- Complete ProctorU's post-exam survey so there is a record of any problems.



WHAT IS THE HESI EXAM????

The HESI Admission Assessment Exam (previously called Reach Exam) consists of seven academic exams, as well as a personality profile that identifies the individual applicant's learning style. Individual scores are provided for each exam, and the scores are combined to provide sub-scores in these areas:

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

- ❖ Reading Comprehension (55 items*) – Provides reading scenarios in order to measure reading comprehension identifying the main idea, finding meaning of words in context, passage comprehension, making logical inferences, etc.
- ❖ Vocabulary and General Knowledge (55 items*) – Contains vocabulary terms that are commonly used in both general English speaking settings and in health care fields.
- ❖ Grammar (55 items*) – contains basic grammar, including parts of speech, important terms and their uses, commonly occurring grammatical errors, etc.

MATH

- ❖ Basic Math Skills (55 items*) – Focuses on math skills needed for healthcare fields, including basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, fractions, decimals, ratio and proportion, household measures, general math facts, etc.

SCIENCE

- ❖ Biology (30 items**) – Covers biology basics, water, biological molecules, metabolism, cells, cellular respiration, photosynthesis, etc.
- ❖ Chemistry (30 items**) – Contains exam items that cover matter, chemical equations and reactions, the periodic table, atomic structure, nuclear chemistry, chemical bonding, etc.
- ❖ Anatomy and Physiology (30 items**) – Provides coverage of general terminology and anatomical structures and systems.

NOTE: There is not a Physics section on this exam, it is referenced in the study guide; however, that version is only used for Radiology programs.

LEARNER PROFILE

- ❖ Learning Style (14 items) – assesses preferred learning styles
- ❖ Personality Profile (15 items) – assesses personality related to preferred learning style
- ❖ Students receive study tips based on their learning style and personality profile.

*Includes 50 scoring and 5 pilot items

**Includes 25 scoring and 5 pilot items

REQUEST TO SCHEDULE ON-CAMPUS HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT EXAM

The Nursing Department offers the nursing Hesi Admission Assessment (A2) exam on a schedule basis at the Cumberland, and Bedford Campuses. Please check with the nursing office, the admission offices, or the College website www.allegany.edu (Nursing Link) for specific dates. This exam must be taken **at least once** in order to be eligible for the nursing program. **You may take the exam as many times as you desire but not more often than every three months.** The exam is weighted one-third for competitive entrance into the program. **This exam is NOT required for LPN's with advanced standing, High School Students or students transferring from another Nursing Program. Please contact the nursing office with any questions.**

NAME _____

(Please also list any other last names you may have previously used for the exam)

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE _____ ACM STUDENT I.D.# _____ D.O.B. _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

The exam will be offered only on the scheduled dates. Please see schedule for dates. You will need to allow for approximately four hours for completing the exam.

Please enter the date and testing site below that you wish to register for. (Exam offered according to dates and times on the schedule) Note: Times may vary depending on the campus and availability of labs.

Date: _____

Time: _____

Evening 4:00 pm _____ (offered at Cumberland Campus only – see schedule for dates)

Testing Site: Bedford _____ Cumberland _____

You must return this **form with your payment of \$63.00 (non-refundable fee) to the Cumberland NURSING OFFICE no later than 4:00 P.M. of the “Deadline to Pay” date.**

NOTE: *Only those who have paid for the exam will be permitted to take the exam. Payments made after the deadline to pay will cost an additional \$25.00 and will be subject to space and exam availability. Late payments must be received in the Nursing Office by 4:00 PM three business days before the beginning of the exam and will be subject to space and exam availability.*

You must pay with cash, personal check, certified check, or money order payable to Allegany College of Maryland. It is not advisable to send cash in the mail! A receipt will be issued when payment is received.

Send completed form along with payment to:

Nursing Education
Attention: Sandy Clark, MSN, RN, CRNI
Assistant Program Director
Allegany College of Maryland
12401 Willowbrook Road, SE
Cumberland, MD 21502