

What is the HESI A2? The Evolve Reach (HESI) Admission Assessment Exam (A2) is a computer based test consisting of seven modules: Math Skills, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary & General Knowledge, Grammar, Learning Style, Personality Style, and Critical Thinking. All seven parts must be completed in order to receive scores and be considered for admission. Minimum requirements for admission to the Nursing Program are 75% on the Math, and a composite (average) score of 75% on Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary and General Knowledge, and Grammar. Results on Learning Style, Personality Style, and Critical Thinking are helpful to know but will not be used as part of the admission criteria. The Science modules in Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology, and Physics will NOT be administered or used for admission to the Nursing Program.

Math: 50-item exam. Math skills needed for health care fields, including basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, fractions, decimals, ratio and proportion, household measures, and general math facts that are useful, for example, when calculating drug dosages and solutions. Recommended Time: 50 minutes. **Calculators are NOT allowed.** Scratch paper will be provided. Minimum score of 75% is required.

English Language Composite:

- Reading Comprehension: 47-item exam. Reading scenarios that are health related to measure reading comprehension, including: identifying the main idea, finding meaning of

words in context, passage comprehension, making logical inferences, etc. Recommended Time: 60 minutes.

- Vocabulary & General Knowledge: 50-item exam. Basic vocabulary that is often used in health care fields. Recommended Time: 50 minutes.
- Grammar: 50-item exam. Basic grammar, including: parts of speech, important terms and their uses in grammar, and commonly occurring grammatical errors. Recommended Time: 50 minutes.

A composite score (average of all three components) of 75% is required.

What is the time limit for the HESI A2?

The HESI A2 is not timed. Most students will complete the test in 3½ hours or less. The above recommendations for time are only estimates. If you feel you would benefit from additional time, plan accordingly and arrive earlier. All tests must be completed by the end of the scheduled testing period.

I'm more comfortable with a paper test.

Do I have to take the HESI A2 on computer? The Evolve Reach HESI A2 exam is available only on computer. This mimics the way in which Nursing License Exams are administered and offers Nursing Students the opportunity to familiarize themselves with this type of exam.

Can you accommodate students with disabilities?

Students requiring extra time on the exam should arrive with enough time to complete the exam prior to closing. See the above list for recommended time

limits. For example, if you usually require time and a half on exams, the recommended time for math is 50 minutes X 1.5 = 75 minutes. Calculate the total amount of time you will need and plan accordingly. If you require other accommodations, contact the Disability Resources and Services (DRS) at 480-857-5188.

Can I retest if I have not achieved the minimum scores?

Students may retest after a 60-day waiting period. This allows time for remediation, which will be available through your Evolve account. Up to 2 retests are permitted within one year from the date of the first test. Scores are valid for two years at any MCCCDCampus.

I've taken the HESI A2 test at another school. Can I use my scores here?

Scores from any school in the Maricopa County Community College District are good at all other MCCCDCampuses and are accessible through the student information system (SIS). Scores are from a school outside the MCCCDCampus must be less than 2 years old and must be sent directly from that school to one of the MCCCDCampuses for input into SIS. Hand-carried results will not be accepted.

How can I prepare for the HESI A2?

The HESI A2 study guide is available for purchase in the bookstore or online at www.us.elsevierhealth.com. Online guides and sample questions can be found at www.nursingexamprepinfo.com as well as a number of other sites. A simple online search will list several of these.

How much does it cost? The cost of the HESI A2 test is \$37 (subject to change). Check in at the Assessment/Testing Center for eligibility verification, then take the fee payment slip to the Cashier's Office in Agave Hall (AGA) for payment. Cash, check, money order, credit or debit cards are accepted. Return the fee payment slip and receipt to the Assessment/Testing Center. Eligibility verification, payment, and test administration must all take place on the same day.

If you are applying to a Nursing Program outside the Maricopa Community College District, additional fees for proctoring an exam for another institution will apply along with visit our web site for a complete list of fees:

<http://www.cgc.maricopa.edu/testing>

Next click on Testing Options (Left hand menu), then click on Proctor Testing.

When will I get the results? Results will be available immediately. Scores will be posted in the Student Information System (SIS) and are kept on file indefinitely. An email will be sent (at a later time) indicating that results and online content remediation are available in your Evolve account at:

<http://evolve.elsevier.com/student>

Where and when can I take the test?

Assessment/Testing Center
Pecos Campus
Agave Hall (AGA)
480-732-7159

Please visit our web site for current hours of operation and last check-in times:
<http://www.cgc.maricopa.edu/testing>

No HESI A2 tests will be started after the last check-in time visit <http://www.cgc.maricopa.edu/testing>. Please plan accordingly. All tests must be completed prior to the end of the scheduled testing period.

Photo ID is required.

HESI A2 testing will not be available during the two weeks before any semester starts or last week of any semester, or finals week. Please plan accordingly.

It is recommended that you complete the HESI A2 test well before you plan to submit your nursing application. In the event that you do not achieve the required score, time for remediation and retesting is available. Remediation personalized for you will be available online through your Evolve account. The HESI A2 test can be taken only once every 60 days, and no more than 3 times in a one-year period. The scores are valid for two years.

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