Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College  
School of Nursing and Health Sciences  
HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Information and Instructions

The School of Nursing and Health Sciences utilizes the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) as a tool to assess the readiness of prospective nursing students for both the Generic and One Year Registered Nurse program tracks.

Click here to register for the HESI A2 entrance exam

Assessment Contents

The HESI Admission Assessment (A2) consists of five computerized content exams including: Math, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary and General Knowledge, Anatomy and Physiology, and Critical Thinking.

1. Math: 50-item exam. Focuses on math skills needed for health care fields including basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, fractions, decimals, ratio and proportion, household measures, and general math facts. Score of 75% required.

2. Reading Comprehension: 47-item exam. Focuses on reading scenarios that are health related in order to measure reading comprehension. Students will identify the main idea, find meaning of words in context, passage comprehension, and make logical inferences. Score of 75% required.

3. Vocabulary: 50-item exam. Contains basic vocabulary that is often used in health care fields. Score of 75% required.

4. Anatomy and Physiology: 25-item exam. Provides coverage of general terminology and anatomical structures and systems. Score of 75% required.

5. Critical Thinking: 30-item exam. Assesses critical thinking ability. All answers are correct on this multiple-choice exam; however, each choice reflects a different degree of critical thinking skill. The higher the score, the better the student’s ability to think critically within the discipline of nursing. This exam does not require a minimum score and does not affect admission status.

Scoring and Admission Guidelines

Students will receive a score for each content exam as well as a cumulative score. Students must score a minimum 75% on the math, reading comprehension, vocabulary and general knowledge, and anatomy and physiology content exams. Each exam requires a grade of 75% or better. The cumulative score (average of content area exams) received and the student’s nursing grade point average will be utilized to determine admission into the ABAC nursing program. The cumulative score and the nursing grade point average will count 50% each and determine an admission score by which students will be ranked.

The HESI Admission Assessment (A2) can be taken a maximum of two times within one year. The scores are only valid for one year. The cumulative score will be utilized along with the student’s nursing GPA to determine admission status. A student scoring below the 75% minimum on a content exam(s) will be required to re-take all content exams. A student failing to meet the 75% minimum content exam score after two attempts will not be eligible to re-take the exam until the failure(s) are older than ONE year. Scores from other testing sites are not accepted.
**Academic Integrity**

Academic integrity is expected of all students. Breeches of academic integrity will not be tolerated. Any student(s) found to be engaging in any type of academic dishonesty, forgery, or misrepresentation of identity will not be allowed to test. Any breach of academic integrity found after testing will lead to ineligibility to apply to the nursing program at ABAC.

**Following Exam Completion**

Scores are provided to the School of Nursing and Health Sciences following the exam. Students will receive scores shortly (within 24 hours) after testing by re-accessing the Evolve website. Students are provided remediation information specific to their exam results through Evolve.

Students failing to make the minimum 75% score on the content exam(s) will need to register to re-take the entire exam on another scheduled test date. Students making the minimum 75% score on the content exam(s) may choose to re-take the entire exam on another scheduled test date to improve scores. For admission consideration, the “best score” will be utilized from content areas when a student has tested twice.

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If you have questions concerning the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) testing process, please contact our office at 229-391-5020 or your academic advisor.

Thank you,

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