

HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT™ (A²)
ENTRANCE EXAM FOR DACC NURSING PROGRAM

The HESI Admission Assessment (A2) is an internet based, timed (4-hour), multiple choice exam evaluating your knowledge in four major categories: English language, math, science, and personality. For the DACC Nursing program, these exams include five academic subjects: reading comprehension; vocabulary and general knowledge; chemistry; anatomy and physiology; and basic math skills. The exam also offers an optional opportunity to evaluate your personality and learning styles, although these components are not required or considered in the admission decision. The exam is taken at a Prometric Test Center of the applicant's choice. Prometric operates a network of 8,000 test centers making it easy for test takers to find a site near them. There are several Prometric Testing Center locations provided for you to pick from, located in the Las Cruces and surrounding area. The HESI A2 exam that DACC program applicants take is only administered at Prometric Testing Centers. It is not administered or taken at any DACC campus location. You will need the following exam sub-test modules for the program:

Reading Comprehension: 50-item exam. Provides reading scenarios in order to measure reading comprehension, including identifying the main idea, finding meaning of words in context, passage comprehension, making logical inferences, etc. The reading scenarios are provided as screen pop-ups, and students can move around the windows to see the entire scenario.

Vocabulary and General Knowledge: 50-item exam. Contains basic vocabulary terms that are commonly used in both general English speaking and in the health care fields.

Chemistry: 30-item exam. Contains chemical equations and reactions, the periodic table, atomic structure, nuclear chemistry, chemical bonding, etc.

Anatomy and Physiology (A&P): 25-item exam. Provides coverage of general terminology and anatomical structures and systems.

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, general math facts, etc.

Program Minimum HESI A2 Sub-Test Scores Required

Reading Comp	Vocabulary & Knowledge	Chemistry	A&P	Math	Overall Composite
75%	75%	75%	75%	75%	75%

ELIGIBILITY

Nursing applicants may take the HESI A2 exam for at a Prometric Test Center under DACC Dept. ID **198465**. Elsevier provides two versions of the HESI A2 examination (version 1 and version 2), each version of the exam is based on the same on the same blueprint but is comprised of different test questions which preserves the reliability and validity of the exam. Applicants are only able to test twice per semester (version I and then version II), with a total of four times maximum in a lifetime. After failure to achieve the minimum score on the admission HESI exam after four attempts, the student will be referred to advising to discuss other options for career degree plan.

Who is HESI?

“HESI” stands for Health Education Systems Inc. and specializes in developing testing products, such as the A2 Exam, for nursing programs. Elsevier, a giant healthcare related publishing company, owns HESI. And Evolve is the part of the HESI/Elsevier corporate organization that is Elsevier’s online portal, through which students register for HESI exams and also get access to all HESI Exam products and results via an online account.

REGISTERING and PAYING FOR THE EXAM

The **HESI A2** exam is offered on a regular basis at various Prometric Test Centers. It is recommended that applicants prepare for the exam early and register to take the test as soon as they feel prepared. Registration and payment for the **HESI A2** test is done online through HESI and Prometric. Please click on [Prometric Testing Registration Instructions](#) for details. Be sure to enter **198465** in the Dept. ID field. If you need help registering for the **HESI A2** or have other questions, call HESI/Elsevier Support toll free at 800.222.9570, press 2 for student assistance.

PREPARATION FOR THE HESI A2

Students are strongly encouraged to prepare for this exam. A HESI Admission Assessment Exam Review, 4th Edition book is available. This review book can be purchased thru Amazon or at bookstores such as Barnes and Noble. The book will include samples of test questions from the subject areas that will be covered on the exam as well as information regarding test question formats. It will highlight important concepts and provide tips for studying and test-taking. It also offers a 25-question pre-test at the beginning of the text helps you assess your areas of strength and weakness before using the text, and a 50-question comprehensive post-test that covers all of the text’s subject areas.

ADMISSION TO THE TEST

Report to the Prometric Test Center at least fifteen minutes before the start time of your test appointment. **Students arriving late will not be admitted to the testing session and will forfeit the testing fee.** You should bring: (1) A Government-issued photo ID; (2) Eligibility ID; and (3) Car keys and your HESI username and password. No other items will be allowed in the testing lab. The identification document must contain your photograph. All other personal items must be locked in a locker for test security purposes, so please limit what you bring to the testing center. It is very important that you register for the exam under the same name and personal

information listed on your government-issued ID. You will not be admitted into the testing lab if there is any discrepancy between what is entered into the system (by Elsevier) and what is presented on your ID. Failure to meet this requirement will result in forfeiture of your testing appointment and associated fees.

IS THE EXAM TIMED?

Yes, you will be given four (4) hours to complete all sections of the exam. At the end of 4-hours, the exam shuts off. You must attempt and complete ALL five academic subject sub-tests within the 4-hour period. Otherwise, your score report will be considered incomplete. Students who have incomplete scores for any of the academic subject sub-tests will not be eligible for the nursing program admission review process. Please manage your allotted 4-hour test time accordingly.

SCORING

Students receive their individual **HESI A2** score reports immediately upon completion of the exam. Students can also access their score reports by logging into their Evolve student accounts. HESI makes the student's scores available to the Nursing Program Admin Assistant for the student's file. However, students must also submit a copy of the scores with their completed program application packet.

WILL DACC ACCEPT MY HESI A2 SCORE I HAVE TAKEN AT ANOTHER COLLEGE?

DACC will accept an applicant's HESI A2 scores if the applicant has taken the exam through an approved Elsevier testing site within the previous 24-months from the time of application, and if the score report indicates completion of all sections of the exam required by the DACC nursing program.

RETEST POLICY

Elsevier provides two versions of the HESI A2 examination (version 1 and version 2) allowing applicants to retest in an attempt to improve in their performance. Each version of the exam is based on the same blueprint but is comprised of different test questions which preserves the reliability and validity of the exam. Students can retake the exam (per test administration fees paid by applicant) twice per semester (version I and then version II), with a total of four times maximum in a lifetime. If an applicant repeats the tests on the same version, the admissions committee will deem the repeat scores invalid. HESI exam scores are valid for two years at which time the exam must be retaken.

CONFIDENTIALITY

DACC will not provide information to any external sources regarding an individual's test scores unless written permission is received from the student. This policy is in accordance with the student confidentiality policy of DACC.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations at the Prometric Test Center are available to students with documented disabilities. DACC Students should speak with Prometric Testing directly. The process to assess for accommodations may take several weeks to a few months. There may be an additional wait period of 2 to 4 weeks to arrange your testing date once your disability has been registered. We suggest that any student requiring a special accommodation begin this process as soon as possible.

REMOTE TESTING

Remote exams are offered virtually using Prometric's ProProctor application online.

First Step: Check your computer's compatibility!

For a remotely proctored exam: You must have access to a computer with a camera, microphone and an internet connection. Your computer must be able to install a lightweight app prior to the test event.

Clock: One analog or digital clock is permitted to be used to track time during testing appointment.

Clock will be inspected thoroughly to meet the following requirements:

- Must NOT have smart feature functionality
- Clocks with internet, Bluetooth, audio or video recording capabilities are not permitted
- Radio and/or other noise functions must be turned off and/or muted
- Must be placed out of candidate's reach - cannot be within candidate's immediate testing area (i.e. on desk)
- Candidate is prohibited from accessing the clock during testing and/or during break(s)

One 8.5x11 whiteboard is allowed to be used during exams. The whiteboard must be clean before the exam begins and wiped clean by the candidate before the exam is over.

You will be able to take the exam online while a Prometric proctor oversees the examination process remotely.

To confirm that your computer and network will allow testing through ProProctorTM, [click here](#).

To view system requirements, review the check-in process and "Dos & Don'ts", [click here](#).

Prior to testing visit <https://hesiinet.elsevier.com>. Use the click here link in the Compatibility Check for Labs section of the page to complete your device compatibility check. This check should be completed prior to scheduling your testing appointment.

Break Policy: If a break is taken during a remotely proctored exam, a full security scan will be conducted before resuming your exam. Your exam timer will continue to run while on the break and throughout the security check.

WHERE CAN I TAKE MY REMOTE EXAM?

<https://www.prometric.com/proproctorcandidate>Links to an external site.

Your remote testing environment must meet the following requirements:

- The testing location must be indoors (walled), well-lit, and free from background noise and disruptions.
- No third party may be present in the room or enter the room for the duration of the exam. If this occurs, your exam will be terminated and/or your results invalidated.
- Your workstation and surrounding area must be free of pens, paper, electronic devices, etc. No content that could potentially provide an unfair advantage during your exam, including that posted on walls or within your immediate area, **should** be present during your exam session.
- Two tissues are permitted at the workstation but must be inspected by the Proctor prior to the start of the exam.
- If taking an exam from a company office, windows and/or glass doors must be covered or contain frosted glass to eliminate distractions and prevent outside viewing. If testing from a personal space (home office, hotel, etc.) candidates should cover windows and/or glass doors to eliminate distractions.

GLOBAL TEST CENTER SECURITY PROCEDURES

Prometric takes our role of providing a secure test environment seriously. During the check-in process, they inspect any and all eyeglasses, jewelry and other accessories to look for camera devices that could be used to capture exam content.

You will be required to remove your eyeglasses for close visual inspection. These inspections will take a few seconds and will be done at check-in and again upon return from breaks before you enter the testing room to ensure you do not violate any security protocol.

Jewelry outside of wedding and engagement rings is prohibited. Please do not wear other jewelry to the test center. Hair accessories, ties and bowties are subject to inspection. Please refrain from using ornate clips, combs, barrettes, headbands, tie clips, cuff links and other accessories as you may be prohibited from wearing them into the testing room and asked to store them in your locker. Violation of security protocol may result in the confiscation of prohibited devices and termination of your exam.

IDENTIFICATION POLICY

You will be required to present one form of non-expired, government-issued, photo and signature bearing ID (e.g., driver's license or passport).

RESCHEDULE / CANCEL POLICY

You must do so at least five calendar days prior to your appointment, or additional fees or fee forfeiture may apply. You may use the Reschedule/Cancel option on this Website or call Prometric's contact center at: 800-481-6457; Prometric's Website is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

For reschedule requests made thirty calendar days or more prior to the appointment date no fee is assessed. For those made less than thirty, but more than five calendar days prior to the appointment date a fee of \$15 is assessed per request. For those made less than five calendar days prior to the appointment date, a fee of \$60 is assessed per request. For cancellations made five or more calendar days prior to the appointment date, a full refund will be given. For those made less than five calendar days prior to the appointment date, no refund will be given.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Your eligibility ID is also your Evolve username. You will need to know your Evolve username and password when you are logging into the HESI exam, so please bring this information with you.

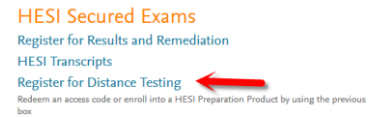
Distance Testing Eligibility Instructions

1. You must have an Evolve student account with HESI Assessment

To register for your HESI Distance Testing exam, you will need an Evolve student account. If you do not have an account, you can create it at: <https://evolve.elsevier.com/>

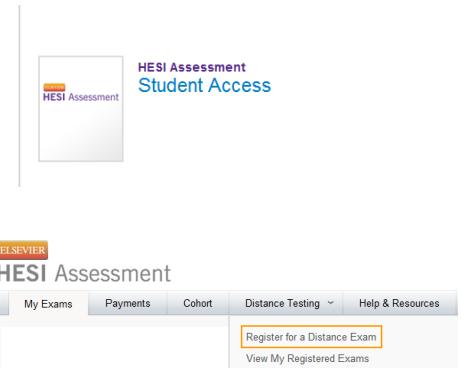
Follow the steps below:

- Go to <https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/> and click “I’m a student.”
- In the HESI Secured Exams section, click the link that says, “Register for Distance Testing.”
- Click “Register” to place this in your cart, and then “Checkout/Redeem” from the cart screen.
- If you are a returning user, enter your Evolve username and password on the right side of the screen and click “Sign In.” If you are new to Evolve, enter your name, email, desired password, and click “Continue.”
- Click “Checkout/Redeem,” once again to finalize your selection.



2. Register for Distance Testing Exam

- Click on “My Evolve.”
- Under HESI Assessment, select “Student Access” and agree to the Terms and Conditions.
- Hover over the Distance Testing Tab and select “Register for a Distance Exam.”
- Complete the required information, check box, and click the “Submit” button:



1 Register For a Distance Testing Exam

Please enter required information below. Review your Evolve profile and confirm that the information provided is the same as it appears on your government issued photo ID.

Please update your profile at <https://evolve.elsevier.com>

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Dept. Name	<input type="text"/>	
First Name	<input type="text" value="Student"/>	Middle Name
Last Name	<input type="text" value="Testing"/>	Email
Address Line 1	<input type="text" value="111"/>	
Address Line 2	<input type="text"/>	
City	<input type="text" value="000"/>	State
Zip	<input type="text" value="11111"/>	Phone
Exam*	4 <input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="555-5555"/>

My Evolve profile is the same as it appears on my government issued photo ID.

1. Please confirm that your first and last name match your government-issued photo ID with signature. (Middle name is not required)

2. Click Tab on your keyboard to populate information.

3. Enter school's department ID.

4. Select the appropriate exam.

DONA-ANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE-ADN DISTANCE TESTING

Department ID: *198465*

***IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

1. **Do Not** use the **School's Department Id** as your student ID when creating your student Evolve account.
2. The first and last name on your Evolve account ***must be the same*** as it appears on your ***Government Issued Photo ID with Signature*** (i.e. Driver's License or Passport). You will **not** be admitted into the testing lab if there is any discrepancy between what is listed on your Evolve student account and what is presented on your ID.
3. Your government issued ID must include your signature and a photo that resembles your current appearance to gain admittance into the testing center (your middle name/initial is not required).
4. **Do Not** Register for **Multiple Schools** or **Multiple Exam Versions** (ex. A2 V1 & A2 V2). Register and complete testing on one version of an exam before registering for subsequent version.

You will receive an email Confirmation Notice indicating that you may schedule your exam. Please carefully review the information contained in your Confirmation Notice. If name is not correct, or has been changed, please contact Elsevier HESI Assessment at exameligibility@elsevier.com. Failure to do so could result in forfeiture of your testing appointment and associated fees.

PLEASE NOTE:

You will receive your Eligibility ID in an email (this is your **evolve username**). Please add the following email address to your email's safe sender list to avoid delays: exameligibility@elsevier.com. If you do not see the notification, please check your spam/junk folder.