

Graceland University  
**School of Nursing**  
Required Pre-Admission Exam

**HESI Admission Assessment (A<sup>2</sup>) Exam**

The HESI A<sup>2</sup> Exam is designed to assess a student's academic and personal readiness for higher education in a nursing related career. The exam consists of five academic exams and a personality profile that helps to determine your learning style. The academic exams include: reading comprehension, vocabulary, grammar, basic math, and anatomy and physiology. (\*note that Graceland will not require the chemistry, biology or physics exams to be taken for consideration into the nursing program).

The exam is required by all students who wish to be considered for admission to the Nursing program at Graceland University. It is offered in December and January for the prospective students who will be ready to start our program in the summer. Additional dates may be scheduled on an "as needed" basis.

**What can I expect?**

This exam is a computerized test that will be taken on a laptop computer with a touch pad. The exam screen has a built-in calculator that you can use for the math portion of the exam. You will be provided with scratch paper for other use. You will not be allowed to use any other device, books or study aids to complete the exam. It will be given with a proctor present in the room. The exam should take no longer than 4 hours to complete. We suggest you bring a sweater since it not possible to control the room temperature for all test takers.

**What score do I need?**

To be considered for admission, you must score a **minimum composite score of 75%** or above on the Overall Exam Average and on the Individual Exams. Your score is available to you as soon as the exam is completed.

Applicants are available to take the admission exam twice per admission cycle. Test dates must be a minimum of 60 days apart. Note that a different version of the exam will be administered on the second attempt. Scores from only one exam will be accepted for admission requirement.

**How can I prepare for the exam?**

Evolve Reach Admission Assessment (A2) Exam Review Book by HESI 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

You can purchase a study guide in our bookstore for \$35 during daytime business hours. You should call ahead to verify that we have plenty of stock. We are also happy to ship the book directly to your house for \$5 (S&H fee). Call Sheryl in the bookstore (816) 833-0524 ext 4514

The ISBN is 978-1-4160-5635-5 if you want to order the study guide from another source online.

We strongly suggest that students purchase the study guide for the exam and be prepared---our program is competitive. Your score is key component in our selection process.

## **How do I register for the exam?**

Please complete the registration form available online at the Graceland University School of Nursing website. Each student is responsible for selecting the test date they prefer and mailing their payment early for their first choice of date and time. Exams are given in December and January each year. If you are unable to register at this time, please call the Admission Counselor, Laurie Hale [lhale@graceland.edu](mailto:lhale@graceland.edu) or (816) 833-0524 ext 4150 for other options.

The **cost for the exam is \$35** (before you take the exam) and your check should be made payable to Graceland University. Your payment reserves your spot for the exam date and time.

Before the exam day, you will need to register with evolve to be given the login and password necessary to take the exam. Please follow the steps below:

### **LOGIN and PASSWORD---Do this step before your test date to be ready for exam.**

- Step 1** go to <http://evolve.elsevier.com/exam>
- Step 2** Click Here
- Step 3** Register (green button)
- Step 4** Register (green button again)
- Step 5** Create Password
- Step 6** Required Information
- Step 7** "I Accept"

# HESI exam proctored by Graceland University School of Nursing

Exam dates for the 2010 application year are:

## 2009

November 30<sup>th</sup> MONDAY 1:00pm

December 1<sup>st</sup> TUESDAY 8:30am

December 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY 8:30am

December 3<sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY 1:00pm

December 4<sup>th</sup> FRIDAY 1:00pm

## 2010

January 4<sup>th</sup> MONDAY 1:00pm

January 5<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY 8:30am

January 6<sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY 8:30am

January 7<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY 1:00pm

January 8<sup>th</sup> FRIDAY 1:00pm

January 9<sup>th</sup> SATURDAY 8:30am

1. Write down your first and second choice here (so you will remember what you selected)

Choice #1 (month & date) \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_

Choice #2 (month & date) \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_

2. Write your choices on the form below along with your personal information.

**PLAN ON YOUR FIRST CHOICE. You will NOT be contacted unless that session is full.**

3. Cut off the bottom section and mail with your check payable to Graceland University for \$35.  
The exam must be ordered and paid for in advance—it holds your exam spot.

4. Register online BEFORE you come. Have your user name and password ready.

5. Arrive 10-15 minutes early on the exam day so that everyone can begin together on time.

**Location:** 1401 W Truman Road, Independence, MO 64050 Two story brick building on south side of Truman Road between stoplights at Forest and River streets. Park in the back of the building.

Come to room #221—up one level and at the end of hall on right

QUESTIONS??? Contact Laurie Hale (816) 833-0524 ext 4150 [lhale@graceland.edu](mailto:lhale@graceland.edu)

↓ **CUT ALONG THIS LINE-** ↑ YOU KEEP THE TOP ↑ **AND MAIL THE BOTTOM PORTION** ↓

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Choice #1 day, date \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_ **Plan on your first choice**

Choice #2 day, date \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_

Send check for \$35 payable to Graceland University

Mail to: Graceland University; Attn: Laurie Hale; 1401 W Truman Road; Indep., MO 64050-3434