
PRE HESI EXAM INFORMATION

All students applying for admission into the nursing program at BYU-Idaho are required to take a nursing school pre admission exam- the HESI Admission Assessment Exam (A2). The admissions test is a tool to determine if students have the academic skills necessary to perform effectively in a program of nursing.

The HESI Admission Assessment Exam (A2) overall Composite Score has a minimum pass rate of 75% for acceptance into the BSN program at BYU-Idaho.

The Admission Test contains 339 questions divided into 9 sections. Plan to spend approximately 4 hours to take the exam.

- **Math:** 55 questions. 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 that are useful when calculating drug dosages and solutions.
- **Reading Comprehension:** 55 questions. Reading health-related scenarios in order to measure reading comprehension, including identifying the main idea, finding meaning of words in context, passage comprehension, making logical inferences, etc.
- **Vocabulary and General Knowledge:** 55 questions. Basic vocabulary that is often used in health care fields.
- **Grammar:** 55 questions. Basic grammar, including: parts of speech, important terms and their uses in grammar, and commonly occurring grammatical errors.
- **Chemistry:** 30 questions. Test items cover matter, chemical equations and reactions, the periodic table, atomic structure, nuclear chemistry, and chemical bonding.
- **Anatomy and Physiology (A&P):** 30 questions. Covers general terminology and anatomical structures and systems.
- **Biology:** 30 questions. Covers biology basics, water, biological molecules, metabolism, cells, cellular respiration, and photosynthesis.
- **Learning Style/Personality Profile:**
 - **Learning Style:** 14 questions. Assessment of preferred learning style.
 - **Personality Style:** 15 questions. Assessment of personality related to preferred learning style. Students receive a printout with study tips based on their learning style and personality profile.