The HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam is an admission requirement for the South Texas College Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program. The HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam consists of academic exams and a personality profile that identifies the applicant’s learning style. All ADN program prospective students are required to complete the HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam prior to admission into RNSG1209 Introduction to Nursing. LVNs and EMT Paramedics are required to take HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam as well and submit passing HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam scores as part of the program application requirements and application period. All ADN program prospective students are required to take HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam, no exceptions. Total time allotted to complete the exam is 5.25 hours.

Eligibility periods are:
- January 1 through May 31
- June 1 through August 31
- September 1 through December 31

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1. WHAT IS TESTED?

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<td>Basic Math Skills:</td>
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*Includes 50 scoring and 5 pilot items
2. **HOW DO I REGISTER FOR HESI A² (Admission Assessment) EXAM?**

**South Texas College-ADN Distance Department Id: 199821**

*Important Information:*
- Do not use the school’s department ID as your student ID when creating your student Evolve account.
- 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.
- 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).

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 within 1-3 business days from our receipt of your eligibility request. 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. Once you receive the email, you can schedule for the HESI A² (Admission Assessment) Exam.
3. **HOW SHOULD I PREPARE?**

A study booklet is available and can be purchased at the online stores listed below.


May be purchased at:
- [https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/store?role=student](https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/store?role=student)
- [us.elsevierhealth.com/hesi](http://us.elsevierhealth.com/hesi)
- [Barnesandnoble.com-hesi](http://Barnesandnoble.com-hesi)
- [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com)
- You may also view the book at most South Texas College Centers for Learning Excellence (CLE)

4. **WHAT IF I DON’T PASS THE HESI THE FIRST TIME?**

You may retake the HESI A² (Admission Assessment) version 2 Exam after 2-3 weeks waiting period. You will retest with a different version of the exam—no student will have the same exam items twice.

If you fail the exam on the second attempt, you must wait until the next eligibility period to test. You can test for HESI A² (Admission Assessment) Exam six times per year, which is two times per eligibility period.

You can repeat the exam if you scored under 75% on a required test section and repeat that section within the same “eligibility period” as the first exam. Scores from both Version 1 (V1) and Version 2 (V2) may be combined within the same “eligibility period” only.

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5. **HOW MUCH IS HESI A² (Admission Assessment) EXAM?**

The price for HESI is approximately $98. When registering for the HESI A² (Admission Assessment) Exam, be prepared with a Debit/Credit Card.

6. **WHAT SCORES DO I HAVE TO ATTAIN ON THE HESI A² (Admission Assessment) EXAM?**

Each section must be passed with a 75% or higher. Below is the HESI A² (Admission Assessment) Exam formula for the Associates Degree Nursing Program at South Texas College.

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<th>Minimum score on each section is 75%</th>
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**Total average of the three sections:**
7. **WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY EXAM SCORES?**
   Exam scores are available immediately after completion of the exam.

8. **HOW LONG ARE MY HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) EXAM SCORES VALID?**
   HESI scores are valid for 2 years from the time of completion.

9. **I AM HAVING TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY WITH THE WEBSITE OR REGISTERING FOR THE EXAM?**
   For technical assistance, re-activating your account, rescheduling or changes on HESI registration, contact Elsevier Client Services at 1-800-222-9570 or contact Elsevier Review & Testing via email at exameligibility@elsevier.com for further assistance.