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**COLLEGE OF NURSING**  
**BSN NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS & INSTRUCTIONS**

Admission to the College of Nursing will be considered after admission to UAH is granted. The nursing application packet must be complete when submitted. Enrollment into upper division nursing is limited and competitive.

1. Completed College of Nursing Application for Admission – includes:
  - a) Professional Statement: reason for interest in the profession and educational goals
  - b) Official transcripts or Unofficial copies of transcripts from all institutions attended (minimum 3.0 GPA on all required prerequisites and 2.75 GPA on required sciences)
  - c) ACT/SAT score: minimum score of 18 or 960
  - e) HESI Admission Assessment report with a minimum cumulative score of 70%
  - f) Application Fee: a non-refundable application fee of \$20 – check or money order only - submitted with the nursing application and made payable to UAH College of Nursing
2. Elsevier HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Exam: A minimum cumulative score of 70% is required.
  - This exam must be completed prior to applying and your printed score report must be included in the application packet. You may take the test multiple times if needed.
3. ACT/SAT score
  - Submission of ACT or SAT score (minimum ACT of 18 or SAT of 960).
4. Previous Nursing Program:
  - A “Letter of Good Standing” from the nursing program, signed by the Nursing Administrator of the program (must indicate current status and eligibility for continued enrollment and progression in the previous program)
  - If you failed out of a nursing program or failed any nursing class, you are not eligible to apply.

Please Note: UAH College of Nursing generally does not accept transfer of nursing clinical courses.

All applications are subject to an evaluation rubric which takes into account the following: calculated nursing prerequisite GPA, all science grades, number of course repeats, and the Elsevier HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Exam cumulative score (minimum 70% required) and ACT/SAT. Enrollment into the University (pre-nursing/lower division courses) as a nursing major does not guarantee admission to upper division nursing.

NOTE: Prior to attendance in nursing courses, admitted students will be required to meet all health requirements and pass drug screens and background checks.

The UAH College of Nursing reserves the right to select the best qualified applicants who are most likely to succeed in the study of nursing. Failure to comply with legal, ethical, moral, and legislative standards for licensure to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Alabama merits immediate dismissal from the nursing program.

**Decision letters will be mailed out five weeks after the posted application deadlines.**

## UAH NURSING PREREQSUTE COURSES

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	
MTH 110 or MTH 112	Finite Mathematics or Pre-Calculus Algebra	3 SH
MTH 265 or BUS 271	Statistics	3 SH
CHM 104 or 111	Inorganic Chemistry w/lab or General Chemistry w/lab	4 SH
BIO 103 or 104	General Biology w/lab	4 SH
BIO 220	Microbiology w/lab	4 SH
BIO 201	Human Anatomy & Physiology 1 w/lab	4 SH
BIO 202	Human Anatomy & Physiology 2 w/lab	4 SH
ENG 101	English Composition 1	3 SH
ENG 102	English Composition 2	3 SH
ENG*	Literature I	3 SH
ENG*	Literature II	3 SH
HIS**	History	3 SH
PSY 200	General Psychology	3 SH
PSY 210	Human Growth and Development (Lifespan Develop.)	3 SH
SOC 200 or 247	Introduction to Sociology or Marriage & Family	3 SH
PHL or SPH	Philosophy or Logic or Ethics or Speech	3 SH
ART or MUS or THR***	Fine Arts Elective (Art or Music or Theater)	3 SH
Free elective	Free elective (minimum of 1 credit hour)	1 SH
NUR 220 – UAH only	Health Promotion for Nursing Majors (a required course at UAH available online)	<u>3 SH</u>
		60 SH

PREREQUISITE TOTAL = 60 SEMESTER HOURS (SH)

A minimum cumulative calculated GPA of 3.0 on all nursing prerequisite courses and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 in all science prerequisite courses is required. No grades of “D or F” are accepted in required prerequisite courses.

\* Literature: Examples: World Literature, British/English Literature, American Literature

\*\* History: Examples: World History, Western Civilization, American/US History

--Sequence Requirement: Students must complete a two course sequence in Literature or History  
Example of sequential courses: World History I & II or American Literature I & II (preferred)

\*\*\* Fine Arts Elective: Examples: Art History, Art Appreciation, Music Appreciation, Drawing, Photography, Theater Appreciation

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## ELESEVIER HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT (A2) EXAM

BENCHMARK FOR HESI A2 IS A MINIMUM CUMULATIVE SCORE OF 70%

Testing is available at UAH College of Professional and Continuing Studies:  
<http://www.uah.edu/pcs/testing-certification-services/hesi>

A<sup>2</sup> Exams Content (multiple choice test):

1. **Math:** 50-item multiple choice 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 that are useful, for example, when calculating drug dosages and solutions.
2. **Reading Comprehension:** 47-item multiple choice exam. Reading scenarios that are health related. 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 pop up on the screen. Students can move around the windows to see the entire scenario.
3. **Vocabulary and General Knowledge:** 50-item multiple choice exam. Contains basic vocabulary that is often used in health care fields.
4. **Grammar:** 50-item multiple choice exam. Contains basic grammar, including: parts of speech, important terms and their uses in grammar, and commonly occurring grammatical errors.
5. **Chemistry:** 25-item multiple choice exam. Contains test items that cover matter, chemical equations and reactions, the periodic table, atomic structure, nuclear chemistry, and chemical bonding.
6. **Anatomy and Physiology (A&P):** 25-item multiple choice exam. Provides coverage of general terminology and anatomical structures and systems. This score will be used in the admission rubric if AP is greater than 5 years old.
7. **Biology:** 25-item multiple choice exam. Covers biology basics, water, biological molecules, metabolism, cells, cellular respiration, and photosynthesis.

A<sup>2</sup> Learning Style/Personality Profile:

1. Learning Styles: 14-item assessment of preferred learning style.
2. Personality Style: 15-item assessment of personality related to preferred learning style. Students receive a printout with study tips based on their learning style and personality profile.

You can prepare and review for this Assessment Exam by purchasing the following resource: HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Exam Review, 4th edition (includes content review and sample test questions) or <https://evolve.elsevier.com/studentlife/hesi.html>

-Please request a print-out of your score report upon completion of exam as this document must be submitted with the nursing application.

-You may take the test as many times as needed.

-Out of State applicants please call 256-824-6742 for directions on registering. Please provide an email so directions on registering can be forwarded to you.

-Only applicants with a minimum cumulative score of 70% will be considered for admission in the nursing program.

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**UAH COLLEGE OF NURSING**  
**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

**Application Deadline Fall: March 15**  
**Application Deadline Spring: June 15**

Return to: UAH College of Nursing  
Office of Undergraduate Programs  
Huntsville, AL 35899

Non-refundable Application fee (paid to UAH CON): \$20.00 by check or money order (No cash)

**1. PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please Print)**

\_\_\_\_\_ \ / \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name MI Last Name Preferred Name

\_\_\_\_\_ UAH Student ID (A#)  
Previous Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip  
Street Address (address provided will be used for response mailing)

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Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone

\_\_\_\_\_ Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_ Native Language (language spoken in the home)

\_\_\_\_\_ Primary Instructional Language

**2. ADMISSION STATUS**

Please Note: Students must be accepted to the University before applying to the College of Nursing  
Previous degrees other than nursing (please indicate major):

\_\_\_None \_\_\_Associate (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_BS/BA (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_MS/MA (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_PhD (\_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ Institution degree(s) earned:

Have you previously attended any other nursing program? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

If you answered yes, you must provide the following with the application:

- Letter of Good Standing from previous Nursing Program, signed by the Nursing Administrator of the program (must indicate current status and eligibility for continued enrollment and progression in the previous program). Copy of transcript with all nursing courses taken and grades earned.
- If you failed out of a nursing program or failed any nursing class, you are not eligible to apply.

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### 3. PROFESSIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Attach a professional statement: one page typed description explaining why you are interested in being a nurse, what prompted your interest in this profession, what area(s) of nursing would you like to pursue, and plans to further your education upon completion of your bachelor’s degree.

### 4. COURSE REQUIREMENTS COMPLETION

Please indicate below the TITLE of the course(s) needed for completion at the time you submit your application (including current spring term courses), along with the TERM the course(s) is to be taken, and the COLLEGE or UNIVERSITY at which the course(s) will be completed.

Course Needed	Term to be Taken	College/University
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

Admission may be forfeited if any prerequisite is found lacking or less than a “C” is earned.

### 5. ELSEVIER HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT (A2) EXAM SCORES

- A minimum cumulative score of 70% is required. You may take the test as many times as needed. You are strongly encouraged to study HESI A2 Review material.

### 6. CHECKLIST REMINDER (All must be checked)

- I have applied and am admitted to UAH
- My application fee of \$20 is attached (check or money order)
- My professional statement is attached
- My transcript(s) is attached
- My ACT/SAT score has been submitted to the University or is attached
- My printed HESI A2 score report is attached
- I understand that I need a minimum cumulative calculated GPA of 3.0 on all nursing prerequisite courses, and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 in all science prerequisite courses. No grades of “D or F” are accepted in required prerequisite courses.
- If needed, I have contacted the Office of Undergraduate Programs to clarify all requirements

### 7. SIGNATURE OF UNDERSTANDING

I certify that the information given in this application is true and complete and that I have not misrepresented by assertion or omission any fact which I have been asked to supply. By submitting this application, I agree to comply with all University and College of Nursing policies, rules and regulations, including the Code of Student Conduct, which relates to my conduct in the application process and, subsequently, to my conduct while I am a UAH student.

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Signature

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Date