# NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE



# Spring 2021

# ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM

# **RN APPLICATION PACKET**

# NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE – NURSING SPRING 2021 APPLICATION CHECKLIST – TRADITIONAL RN PROGRAM

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO THE SPRING 2021 NWF STATE COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM, YOU MUST:					
Apply to NWF State College if you are a new student or reapply if you have not taken classes within the last year. Select AA Associates of Arts -General as your Academic Plan. (NOTE: Do <u>NOT</u> select BSN!) If you already have a degree, you can select non-degree seeking student.					
Watch the current online NWF State College Nursing Program Information Session and submit post-test by September 1, 2020. (NOTE: You will not be eligible to apply if you do not complete the information session.)					
<ul> <li>Submit Nursing Program Application Form by September 1, 2020. Application packets that include the application form are available on the college website: "Selective Program Admissions" page, "Nursing A.S.". (NOTE: Applications will be accepted August 1, 2020 – September 1, 2020. Do NOT submit application materials before August 1, 2020.)</li> </ul>					
Have a cumulative college Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale *The GPA is cumulative and include all lower division (100/1000 and 200/2000) level college credit courses from any institution. For students who have not earned graded non-developmental college hours at a regionally accredited institution, the high school GPA at the time of graduation or GED scores will be considered.					
Score 75% or higher on each component of the Nursing Admission Assessment Exam (HESI A <sup>2</sup> ) by September 1, 2020. (NOTE: You may take the HESI A <sup>2</sup> up to two times between March 2, 2020 and September 1, 2020. Scores from exams taken prior to March 1, 2020 will NOT be considered.)					
Obtain PERT scores (or SAT/ACT scores) and complete all required college prep courses (if needed) by September 1, 2020. IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED COLLEGE LEVEL MATH AND ENGLISH COURSES, PERT SCORES ARE REQUIRED (unless you are exempt based on graduation from a FL high school in 2007 or later). Check with a Student Success Navigator if you are unsure.					
Submit <i>official high school</i> transcript or GED diploma or score report to NWFSC admissions office by September 1, 2020. If you are currently taking classes at NWFSC, your transcripts will already be on file. If you are currently in high school, you must be 18 or older and have your diploma before the first day of Spring 2021 classes.					
Submit <i>official</i> transcripts from all other postsecondary institutions attended including CLEP, AP, IB transcripts to NWFSC admissions office by March 1, 2020. If you are currently taking classes at NWFSC, your transcripts will already be on file.					
Tanya Beauregard, Director of Nursing Niceville Campus, Nursing Department Building 420, Room 333 See a Student Success Navigator for					

beauregt@nwfsc.edu 850-729-6400

Email:

Karin McKnight, Instructional Support Specialist Niceville Campus, Nursing Department Building 420, Room 333 Email: <u>mcknighk@nwfsc.edu</u> 850-729-6400 See a Student Success Navigator for advising or guidance on the application process: Call 850-502-2895 We strongly recommend that you do NOT self-advise!

#### NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE ASN PROGRAM SELECTIVE ADMISSION PROCESS

# Pool of Eligible

# Applicants

- 1. Admitted to NWF State College
- 2. Completed Nursing Application (see posted application period)
- 3. Completed current online NWFSC Nursing Program Information Session & submitted Post-Test/Confirmationform
- 4. Score 75% on each of the five components of Nursing Admission Assessment Exam (HESIA2)\*
  - May take A2 Exam twice during the current application cycle
- 5. All final paperwork must be received by the application deadline:
  - College placement testing scores and all required prep courses completed
  - ALL transcripts (high school, other college/university, LPN program)
  - Cumulative college Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale\*\*
  - \*\*The GPA is cumulative using lower-division coursework only. For students who have not earned graded non-developmental college hours at a regionally accredited institution, the high school GPA at the time of graduation or GED scores will be considered.

# **Selection Point System**

All eligible applicants accepted unless the number exceeds the available slots, in which case the following Point System will be used to select students.

	Item	Points	
a.	<b>Successfully completed general education courses (grade of C or higher) taken at NWF State College</b> (points based on number of credits completed for a maximum of 5 points)		
	20 or more credits: 5 points 15-19 credits: 4 points 10-14 credits: 3 points 5-9 credits: 2 points	/ 5	
	1-4 credits: 1 point		
b.	Current Okaloosa or Walton County Residency		
	(subject to additional documentation upon request)	/ 5	
c.	Viewed NWFSC Nursing Program Information Session and submitted post-test (1 point awarded for each correct answer on quiz).	/ 10	
	Highest points from HESI A2		
cor	plicants must successfully complete the HESI Admission Exam for RN programs. A minimum score of 75% for <u>each .</u> <u>mponents is required</u> for eligibility. Points for scores above 75% are calculated by subtracting 75 points from the hi ch section. For example, if the applicant scores 76% in Math, he is awarded 1 point for that section.		
d.	Reading Comprehension% (your score) – 75% =	/ 25	
e.	Grammar% (your score) – 75% =	/ 25	
f.	Vocabulary% (your score) – 75% =	/ 25	
g.	Math% (your score) – 75% =	/ 25	
	Anatomy and Physiology % (your score) – 75% =	/ 25	
h.			
i	A current Health Certification (CNA, CMA, ECA, EMT, Pharmacy Tech., etc.) <i>OR</i> Military Service with honorable discharge: Proof of military service via DD Form 22, 22a, 256, 214 or 215	/ 5	

The applicants with the highest point totals are admitted first. If there is a tie among point totals prior to reaching program capacity, the following formula will be used to determine selection:

(Cumulative score on Admission Assessment Exam) + (GPA X 25) = points

\*\*GPA and acceptance of transfer work is determined based on policies published in the current NWFSC Catalog and Student Handbook and as determined by the College Registrar. College prep, developmental, and upper division courses will not be included in determining GPA.

# **HESI A2 Nursing Admission Exam Information**

The HESI Admission Assessment (A2) exam is a computerized test that can include up to seven academic exam sections. The Northwest Florida State College Associate Degree Nursing Program (RN) requires applicants to take the following five sections:

Math Reading Comprehension Vocabulary & General Knowledge Grammar Anatomy

**IMPORTANT:** The HESI A2 exam may be taken twice during the current application cycle.

If you take the exam more than two times during the application cycle, only the scores from the first two exams will count towards your program application. No scores will be considered from previous cycles.

#### **Selection Points**

For <u>minimum eligibility</u>: you must score at least 75% on **EACH OF THE FIVE** content exams by the published deadline. You will receive one point for each percentage point above 75% as selection points, up to a total of 25 points for each content exam.

# To Schedule the HESI Nursing Admission Exam at the Niceville or Fort Walton Beach Campus or the Sikes Center in Crestview

- You must schedule an appointment with the Testing Center to take your exam by using their Online Scheduling System: Register Blast
- The HESI exam is given at the Niceville Testing Center in Building 410 or the Sikes Center in Crestview
- You have four hours to complete the exam, so please allow yourself enough time to finish your test before closing. If you do not complete the exam before closing, you will not be allowed to return to finish the exam at a later date.
- Before arriving to take your exam, You **MUST** set up your Evolve account. (See information box below)
- The Testing Center will determine which version of the exam (version 1 orversion2) you need to take based on the current application cycle.
- You must present a government-issued photo ID or NWFSC ID Card when you arrive at the Testing Center to take your exam.
- The testing fee plus Testing Center registration convenience fee must be paid at the time of registration. You must pay this fee applies each time you take the exam.

#### Exam versions:

- Even if you took the Admission Assessment exam in the previous application cycle, you MUST take version 1 of the exam in the current cycle; you have the opportunity to take a second version within the current cycle.
- If you have taken the exam during the current application cycle in a different location (via Distance Testing or at another college other than NWF State College), be sure to communicate this with the Testing Center upon registration. Take version 2 of the exam here and contact Evolve to have your first exam scores sent to Tanya Beauregard at beauregt@nwfsc.edu.

# If you have questions about how to register for the test, please contact the Testing Center:

Phone: (850) 729-6016 Email: testing@nwfsc.edu

#### **Before Test Day**

- You MUST <u>set up your</u> Evolve account prior to arriving on test day.
- To set up your Evolve account, click here
- After filling in your personal information you will be given your user name and password. Remember this in order to expedite your login on test day.

We <u>cannot assist you in retrieving your user name and password at the time of the exam.</u> If you cannot remember this information, you will not be permitted to take the exam.

#### Things to Bring on Test Day

- Photo ID (such as Driver's License or Student ID)
- Your username/password for your Evolve account (see above)

#### **Test Results**

- Your results should be available within 24 hours. You will receive an email with a link to your Evolve account to access your scores.
- This E-Mail will be sent to the address you provided when you created your Evolve account.
- If you take the HESI Exam at the Niceville Campus OR through using the NWFSC code if taken at a Prometrics Testing Center, your scores will be sent to the nursing department electronically.

#### Repeat Test

- You are only allowed two attempts to take the exam during the application cycle. If you take the exam more than two times during the application cycle, only the scores from the first two exams will count towards your program application.
- The highest score you earn on each individual component will be applied towards your points
- Only scores earned in the CURRENT application cycle will be considered

#### **Study Guide**

- **HESI Study Guide** "HESI Admission Assessment Exam Review," 5th ed. By Elsevier (ISBN 978-0-3235-8226-1). Available for purchase at the NWFSC College Store or online.
- Additional study tips for Anatomy & Physiology: Do a "Google" search for anatomy and physiology reviews. Some interactive review websites that we found are listed below, but there may be other good ones.

<u>Get Body Smart</u> (interactive tutorials and quizzes) <u>Web Anatomy</u> (play the Anatomy Bowl game) <u>Practice Questions for Anatomy and Physiology</u> (practice questions with answers)

# To Schedule a Test at Another Location (Distance Testing)

- If you live within the United States, you may take the exam at any Prometric Testing Center. The cost for the exam through Prometric is higher than on campus.
- Before you schedule your exam through Prometric, review the <u>eligibility information</u> on their website.
- Once you receive your Eligibility notification email from Elsevier, you will be directed to schedule and pay for you exam via the Prometric website.
- To find an exam center near you visit <u>Prometric Elsevier</u>.
  - Click on "Locate"
  - Click on the dropdown menu on "Select a Test"
  - Scroll down and select "RN Admission Assessment Version 1" or "RN Admission Assessment Version 2", depending on whether this is the first time or second time you are taking the exam during the *current admission cycle*.
- Go to the testing center of choice, on the scheduled date and time, with your Evolve username & password, along with a valid government issued photo ID.

#### NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE DISTANCE TESTING Department ID: 199193

#### **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).

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 <u>Prometric Elsevier</u>. 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 receipt of your eligibility request. If you do not see the notification, please check your spam/junk folder.

# Northwest Florida State College Associate Degree Nursing Program Spring 2021 Application (PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT PRIOR TO August 1, 2020)

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

NWFSC Student ID Number		Birthdate			
Name	First	Middle			
Other Legal/Maiden Name(s) Under Which Records May Be Found					
Address	City	State	Zip		
Phone	College E-Mail				
High School Graduate? Yes or (Circle C		ct to graduate?			

Note: You must be 18 years or older and have graduated from high school before beginning Fall 2020 Nursing classes.

#### PLEASE CHECK THE PROGRAM TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING:

# Associate Degree Nursing (RN)

**LPN to RN Track** (If you are applying for the LPN to RN track you must have an active, unencumbered Florida Practical Nursing (PN) license or be eligible for the Florida PN license. Applicants who are currently enrolled in a PN program may apply, and if accepted, be granted provisional admission provided they obtain licensure no later than the first day of Spring 2021 classes.)

I certify that the information provided on this application is true and understand that reporting false information will result in my disqualification from the applicant pool and program.

Applicant Signature

Date

#### SUBMIT THE FORM BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

1. FAX this form to (850)729-6484

2. Scan and E-mail to mcknighk@nwfsc.edu

#### Applications will not be considered after the September 1, 2020 deadline

## Northwest Florida State College Associate of Science in Nursing Program (RN) <u>SPRING 2021</u> Information Session Post-Test and Confirmation Form

Step I: Provide your information below: (Please print neatly)			
Name:	_Student ID#:		
College Email:	Date:		

## Step 2: Complete the Information Session Post-Test

- 1. An applicant earned the following scores on the HESI A2 (entrance) exam: 76%, 88%, 74%, 93%, 98%, with a cumulative score of 85%. This person is eligible to be considered as an applicant for the nursing program.
  - A. True
  - B. False
- 2. What is the final date that official transcripts may arrive at the College to meet the current deadline?
  - A. August 1, 2020
  - B. February 28, 2020
  - C. May 1, 2020
  - D. Sept 1, 2020
- 3. An applicant took the HESI A2 exam for another program in January 2020. Does this applicant have to take it again to apply to the nursing program at NWFSC for Spring 2021?
  - A. Yes
  - B. No
- 4. An applicant that has any questions regarding eligibility for licensure in nursing due to problems with past felony charges will need to contact the State of Florida Board of Nursing for answers to their questions.
  - A. True
  - B. False
- 5. An applicant who applied for the program for Spring 2021 met all the requirements but was not accepted. This same applicant wants to apply for Fall 2021. The only action required of the applicant for this new application cycle will be to complete a new application to the program.
  - A. True
  - B. False

- 6. An applicant has taken 3 courses at NWF State College totaling 11 credits and earned an A or B in each one. How many points will he receive for these on the Selective Admission Point System?
  - A. 2
  - B. 3
  - C. 4
  - D. 5
- 7. An applicant earned the following scores on the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) exam: 78%, 94%, 88%, 90% and 96%. What are the total points the applicant will receive for the HESI A2 according to the Selective Admission Point System?
  - A. 45
  - B. 446
  - C. 125
  - D. 71
- 8. All general education and nursing courses required for an AS in Nursing degree must be passed with a grade of C or higher.
  - A. True
  - B. False
- 9. An applicant who graduated from an out-of-state high school took the college placement test. Based on her results, she must take Intermediate Algebra (MAT1033A). It is August 30, 2020 and she has not yet taken this course. Her HESI A2 scores are all above 75% and she submitted all paperwork by the deadline. Does she meet minimum eligibility for the Spring 2021 application cycle?
  - A. Yes
  - B. No
- 10. How many points will an applicant who holds a current/valid certification as a CNA receive according to the Selective Admission Point System?
  - A. 20
  - B. 0
  - C. 5
  - D. 10

## Step 3: Sign the confirmation:

By signing this form, you are stating that you watched the online information Session for the RN program and that you understand the application process (minimum eligibility requirements and timing) for the Northwest Florida State College Nursing Program.

Signature:

## Step 4: Submit the form in one of the following ways:

- 1. FAX this form to (850) 729-6484
- 2. Scan and Email to mcknighk@nwfsc.edu



# Associate in Science in Nursing (RN) Curriculum

**SPRING START** 

Semester	Course ID	Course Name	Credit Hours				
	FIRST YEAR						
	BSC 1085C	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4				
FALL	ENC 1101	English Composition I	3				
SEMESTER	MAC 1105 or STA 2023	College Algebra or Statistics	3				
		TOTAL	10				
	BSC 1086C	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4				
SPRING	HUN 2201	Nutrition	3				
SEMESTER	NUR 1021C	Nursing Process I	6				
	NUR 1021L	Nursing Process I Clinical Experience	4				
	NUR 1141	Pharmacologic Principles in Nursing I	1				
		TOTAL	18				
		SECOND YEAR					
	DEP 2004	Human Growth & Development	3				
FALL	HUM	Humanities Elective+	3				
SEMESTER	NUR 1231C	Nursing Process II	5				
	NUR 1750L	Nursing Process II Clinical Experience	4				
	NUR 1142	Pharmacologic Principles in Nursing II	1				
		TOTAL	16				
SPRING	MCB 2010C	Microbiology	4				
SEMESTER	NUR 2233C	Nursing Process III	6				
SEIVIESTER	NUR 2233L	Nursing Process III Clinical Experience	4				
		TOTAL	14				
	• 	THIRD YEAR					
	SYG 2000 or PSY 2012	Sociology or Psychology	3				
FALL	NUR 2241C	Nursing Process IV	5				
SEMESTER	NUR 2241L	Nursing Process IV Clinical Experience	3				
	NUR 2811L	Nursing Clinical Practicum	3				
		TOTAL	14				
	1	TOTAL HOURS	72				

+Be sure to take a "Core" Humanities course that incorporates the Oral Communication component which satisfies the program's "Speaking-Across-the-Curriculum" requirement. If you have a previous bachelor's degree, you have met this requirement.

Once you begin the ASN program (you begin taking NUR courses), most financial aid plans will ONLY cover courses that are in the ASN program of study. Therefore, PLAN AHEAD and leave enough credits available to take WITH your nursing courses to ensure you have full-time credits each semester if needed.

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## Northwest Florida State College RN Program Estimated Expenses

NWFSC Nursing Program Expenses	Semester 1 10 Credit Hours	Semester 2 18 credit hours	Semester 3 16 credit hours	Semester 4 14 credit hours	Semester 5 14 credit hours	Total
Florida Residents: 62 credit hours @ \$104.12 credit hour***	\$1,041.20	\$1,874.16	\$1,665.92	\$1,457.68	\$1,457.68	\$7,496.64
Non-Florida Residents: 62 credit hours @ \$398.02 credit hour***	\$3,980.20	\$7,164.36	\$6,368.32	\$5,572.28	\$5,572.28	\$28,657.44
Textbooks (Approximate per year)	**	\$750.00	\$375.00	\$150.00		\$1,275.00
Computer Tablet Required for Class and Clinicals		\$250.00				\$250.00
eLearning tools (Nursing Central & SimChart)		\$114.00	\$114.00	\$114.00	\$114.00	\$456.00
Lab Skills Kit (Approximate per year, paid as part of registration fee)		\$150.00	\$185.00	\$160.00	\$70.00	\$565.00
Laboratory Fees (Approximate per year, paid as part of registration fees)		\$92.00	\$107.00	\$107.00	\$92.00	\$398.00
Standardized Testing Fees (Paid as part of registration fees)		\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$600.00
Clinical Laboratory Attire		\$350.00				\$350.00
Other fees (Student ID, online/hybrid course fee)		\$24.00	\$24.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$78.00
Criminal Background and Drug Testing		\$150.00				\$150.00
Physical Examination & Immunizations (may vary due to student's personal health insurance carrier)		\$350.00				\$350.00
Adult, Infant, Child CPR and AED Training		\$50.00				\$50.00
Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN), Licensure, & Fingerprinting Fees)					\$410.00	\$410.00
*Estimated Costs for Florida Resident	\$1,041.20	\$4,304.16	\$2,620.92	\$2,153.68	\$2,308.68	\$12,428.64
*Estimated Costs for Non-Florida Residents <sup>#</sup>	\$3,980.20	\$9,594.36	\$7,323.32	\$6,268.28	\$6,423.28	\$33,589.44

## ALL FEES ARE ESTIMATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

\*Fees for classes may be paid by semester. These fees reflect the tuition effective Fall 2018.

\*\* Fees and textbook costs for general education classes are not included due to varying nature of the courses.

\*\*\*Tuition costs include general education classes required for the ASN degree. Students may have completed some or

all of the general education courses prior to acceptance into the program.

Present this chart to your financial aid adviser or donor for verification of estimated nursing program costs.

\*#Alabama In-State Fees: Alabama residents qualify for in-state fees at NWFSC plus a \$1.00 per credit hour border state fee