# **BEFORE YOU TEST:**

# Information for students preparing to take the HESI A2 admission assessment

- <u>Step 1:</u> Schedule to take the HESI A2 at any of the LMC Testing Centers by going to <u>https://www.lakemichigancollege.edu/placement/out-of-class-testing</u>
   Students must register for the exam at least **48 hours** in advance.
   The HESI A2 must be completed by the application deadline for Nursing (May 12<sup>th</sup>).
   It is **highly recommended** that students complete the HESI A2 during the fall semester before applying to the nursing program.
- <u>Step 2:</u> Create an Evolve account: See screen shots below for "Registering for HESI Testing & Remediation Resources"
- <u>Step 3:</u> Once you have created an Evolve account, call the Testing Center at: (269) 927-6173 to obtain a payment ID code for the HESI A2. Once you have received the payment code, login to your Evolve account, select *HESI Assessment-Student access>Payments.* Enter your payment ID code and billing information. The cost is approximately \$50. After payment confirmation, a proof of payment statement will be displayed and stored in your account under *Payment History.*
- <u>Step 4: PREPARE!-</u>There are many resources you can use to study for the HESI A2. LMC students are ONLY required to take the Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary, and Critical Thinking portions of the exam. Please focus your studies on these areas. The LMC Napier Campus library has copies of <u>500 evolve reach (HESI)</u> <u>A2 questions to know by test day</u> can be checked out and used to prepare. You can also purchase the HESI study guide at:

https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/product/9780323431132?role=student Other free online resources such as: <u>http://www.mometrix.com/academy/hesi-a2-test/</u> can be used.

- <u>Step 5:</u> Take the exam: Report to the appropriate Testing Center (Napier Campus: Room B-200, South Haven Campus: Room 123, Bertrand Crossing: Room 111) 15 minutes before your scheduled testing time. Students must present a photo ID to test; acceptable forms include passports, drivers' licenses, or student ID cards. Once you have checked in and logged in to the exam, you will have access to the entire HESI A2 exam, but you only need to take the Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary, and Critical Thinking portions of the exam. The exam is not timed, but it may take you approximately 3 hours to complete the exam.
- <u>How do I pass?</u> Students must score a total composite score of at least 75 in order to pass and be eligible for the Nursing Program. Students will be able to see their score immediately after completing the exam. There is no minimum score required for the Critical Thinking exam. The score on this may be used to enhance your nursing application score.

- <u>Can I retake the exam?</u> If you do not achieve an overall composite score of 75 for the three sections (Reading Comprehension, Grammar, and Vocabulary) you may have ONE opportunity to retake the **entire** exam. Even if a student scores >75 on a subtest (such as Grammar) but does not achieve an overall composite score of 75, they must take the entire exam over. We recommend that you wait at least 60 days before retaking the exam. Students will be required to pay the full fee (approximately \$50) to retake the exam. Students will need to follow the procedure above to register for the second HESI A2. If you do not pass the second HESI A2, you are ineligible for admission into the nursing program. If you are not successful on two attempts to take the HESI A2, please contact the nursing department (nursing@lakemichigancollege.edu) to determine possible options for eligibility into the nursing program in the future.
- <u>What if I passed the HESI A2 in the past but did not get into the nursing program,</u> <u>do I have to take it again?</u> HESI A2 exam scores taken at LMC are valid for 5 years from the date they were taken. If a student took the HESI A2 at another institution, they must take it again at LMC for admission into the nursing program.
- <u>Anything else I should know?</u> Upon request, students with disabilities, with documentation on file in the Student Outreach and Support Services Office, will be provided special testing accommodations. Please contact the Testing Center to confirm accommodations once you have made your testing appointment. Students may request disability-related test accommodations through the Student Outreach and Support Services Office at (269) 927-8866.
- <u>Questions?</u> If you have questions about the testing process or the exam, please contact:
  - Kathleen Szymanski, Nursing Program Director, at: <u>nursing@lakemichigancollege.edu</u> or 269-927-8864
  - Testing Center at:
     (269) 927-6173 or <u>assessmentcenter@lakemichigancollege.edu</u>

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