



NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY - ALAMOGORDO NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

ALAMOGORDO

Thank you for your interest in applying for the New Mexico State University – Alamogordo (NMSU-A) Nursing program. Currently, NMSU – A has the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree and the Licensed Practical Nurse Certificate of Achievement program. The application process for entry into the AASN or LPN is the same.

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Pre-requisites for student eligibility for application submission for the nursing program include:

- Meet with a NMSU-A Academic Advisor and the Director of Nursing for comprehensive advisement
- Submit of all college transcripts to Student Services and the Director of Nursing
- Students must be admitted to NMSU-A. Students are responsible for understanding all of the information in the related-requirement science courses of Anatomy and Physiology I and II, regardless of when these courses were taken. If they were taken more than seven years prior to admission to the Nursing program, these courses must be repeated for credit. Completion of Required Coursework: MATH 1220G, ENGL 1110G, BIOL 2210, and BIOL 2225 with a grade of "C" or higher. BIOL 2310 Microbiology and BIOL 2310L (Microbiology and Lab) are strongly recommended before taking the Health Education Systems, Inc. Admission Assessment (A2).
- Completion of all Clinical Clearance requirements (see attached form)
- Submit a current American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers certification
- Admission Essay: "Why I Want to be a Nurse" (2-3 pages)
- Complete Pre-Registration Screening form

NMSU-A Nursing Program Requirements:

- HESI A2 Exam: A minimum score of 75% in each category; Anatomy & Physiology, Biology, Chemistry, Grammar, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary and General Knowledge and a Ranking Composite Score (calculated on the English Composite, Biology, Chemistry & Math scores).
 - NMSU – Alamogordo Nursing Program Applicants are required to take the HESI® Admission Assessment (A2). Students are solely responsible for any costs associated with taking the HESI® Admission Assessment (A2)

- Applicants must take the HESI® Admission Assessment (A2) as one comprehensive exam on the first attempt. Each student is only allowed to take the exam twice per nursing application period (once per year). Any sections of the exam of which the student would like to improve scoring may be taken again without retaking the entire exam. Highest scores achieved by the students in each area of the HESI® Admission Assessment (A2) will be utilized when ranking the applicant's Composite Score.
- Required Categories:
 - Anatomy & Physiology
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Grammar
 - Reading Comprehension o Vocabulary and General Knowledge
- Nursing program applicants must earn at least 75% in each required category to pass the exam. The cumulative score must be 75% or higher.
- The Ranking Composite Score will be calculated on the English Composite, Biology, Chemistry, & Math scores must be 50% or greater.

Once students have met all above requirements a background check will be completed by the Director of Nursing through the New Mexico Caregivers Criminal History Screening Program. An appointment for electronic finger printing will be completed by the Director of Nursing and the student. Note: Fingerprinting is required to complete the background check.

Students are required to:

- Pass the New Mexico Caregivers Criminal History Screening Program background check. Prospective students are required to complete and pass a security background check prior to being accepted into the NMSU-A Nursing program. Past or current criminal violations may prevent a student from completing the degree and gaining a nursing license or employment in the field.
- Completion of 10-panel urine drug screen (students are required to submit results upon completion prior to being considered for a seat in the NMSU-A Nursing program).

Note: Students are required to submit all required materials and completed application package to the NMSU-A Department of Nursing by the designated deadline for the student selection process.



**NMSU-A
NURSING HEALTH
Clinical Clearance Pre-Advising**



******NOTE: Do not submit original documentation, have your originals copied and submit for placement and record keeping your NMSU-A Nursing Records.******

Required Immunizations			
Initial	Number of Injections or Doses Required	Covid-19 & Boosters	Either one injection or two, dependent on the pharmaceutical manufacturer. As of Spring 2022 Booster by February 9, 2022 or will need to comply with weekly testing if ineligible for the booster.
	2	MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella/Rubeola)	Series of two required, there is a 28-day period between doses, or you have the option of having a blood draw completed to determine titer levels.
	2	Varicella	Series of two required, there is a 28 day period between doses, or you have the option of having a blood draw completed to determine titer levels.
	1	Tdap	Must have one within the last 9 years. An additional dose must be received if the expiration date occurs within the semester in which you are enrolled. If >10 years must receive a Td (Tetanus & Diphtheria).
	3	Hepatitis B	You must have all three doses in the series. There is a 28-day period between the first and second dose, and a 5-month period between the second dose and the third dose. You must have started the series and complete the second dose to be eligible to participate in clinical practice.
	1	Annual Flu Vaccine	Must be administered for the current year.
	1	10 Panel Drug Screen	Required to be completed after the student is enrolled and the student has started the course/s. Submit a copy of the Drug Screen results directly to the Allied Health Department Director or Administrative Assistant.
	1	Tuberculosis Test (Two-Step)	Good for only one (1) year. Cannot expire during the semester in which you are currently enrolled. If results are positive, you must provide a cleared x-ray report and complete a TB yearly Health Questionnaire form, or a quantiferon TB Gold.

Other Requirements:

	Required	Requirement	Standard
	1	CPR Card (copy)	CPR – American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers <u>Only</u> . ****Cannot expire during the semester in which you are enrolled****
	1	DOH CCHSP Completed by NMSUA Allied Health	Department of Health Caregivers Criminal History Screening Program Background Check will be completed by the NMSUA Allied Health department during the semester in which you are enrolled. Consent for Background Check completed by the student if 18 years or older, completed by a parent/guardian if less than 18 years old. Consent Required
	1	Fingerprints	Required to be completed during the semester in which you are enrolled. Finger prints will be completed in digital format at a location given to you upon receipt of your “Fingerprinting Authorization Form” once the background check has been completed. ****Note: Do not complete fingerprinting until you receive the “Fingerprinting Authorization Form” from the Allied Health Department. Return the signed and completed “Fingerprinting Authorization Form” to the Allied Health Department within 24 hours of completing your fingerprints.
	1	NMSUA Nursing Student ID Card (Copy)	Issued by student services. Required to wear as your identification badge in the lab and in the clinical setting.
	1	Driver’s License or State issued Identification Card	Must remain current throughout the semester. Copy made and placed in the student’s file.
	1	Social Security Card (Copy)	Original must be presented by the student.
	1	Recommended	Copy of proof of health insurance placed in student’s file

	Student Information Form Circle One: Provided Not Provided	➤ Must be completely filled out and be legible
	Official College Transcripts	➤ Official copy to Student Services and Nursing Department
	HESI® Scores Score 75%	➤ Anatomy & Physiology ➤ Biology ➤ Chemistry ➤ Grammar ➤ Math ➤ Reading Comprehension ➤ Vocabulary

Upon completion of NMSU-A Nursing Pre-Advising an email communicating pre-advising is completed and student is cleared to register for the current Nursing Level.

I understand and agree ALL requirements listed in the Clinical Clearance Package must be completed prior to approval for registration. I will withdraw from the course if not completed.

Student: _____ **Date:** _____ **Witness:** _____ **Date:** _____

Admission Scoring

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Admission to the NMSU-A nursing program is a competitive process and is based on ranked admission scores. The NMSU-A Program Admission Score* is calculated as follows:

Nursing Program Pre-requisite Course GPA	40%
HESI® A2 Admission Assessment Composite Score	50%
New Mexico residents, military students, 135 Mile Out-of-State Tuition Discount Texas resident	2%
Four (4) or more pre-requisite course taken at NMSU	2%
Microbiology	1%
Admission Essay Score (Instructions and topic included in application instructions)	2%
NMSU-A Allied Health Degree	3%

**NMSU-A nursing program admission score calculations are subject to change.*

Students planning to apply to the NMSU-A program must first contact the NMSU-A Director of Nursing Office before applying to the program in order to determine eligibility and to obtain an application.

The HESI® Admission Assessment (A2) exams will be open during the following dates:

- Fall 2024: Deadline to apply July 19, 2024 11:59 p.m.
- HESI® Exams will be open from June 20 – July 12, 2024

Only exams taken between the dates listed above will be considered for placement in the Fall 2024 AASN program nursing cohort.

NMSU-Alamogordo Nursing Program Application

Select a Nursing Program: ADN (RN) Licensed Practical Nurse (PN)

AGGIE ID: _____

NAME:

DOB:

LAST

FIRST

MIDDLE

MAIDEN

ADDRESS:

(No. & Street)

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone:

Social Security#

NMSU Email

Date HESI A2 test taken

What was your HESI A2 composite score?

Date HESI A2 Scores submitted to nursing office: _____

Name of High School:

Date of Graduation

G.E.D.

Date of G.E.D.

I certify all of the above information and statement are correct and complete (incomplete applications will not be accepted or processed) _____

Signature

Date

NMSU-A Nursing program applications will not be accepted or processed without required high school and college transcript

Prior to submitting the NMSU-A Nursing program application for admission, if you have ever been convicted of a felony or declared mentally incompetent, you should contact the Board of Nursing in the state in which you will seek licensure.

AASN COURSE SEQUENCE

DEGREE ROAD MAP		
Nursing - Associate Applied Science		
Course	Credits	Credits with P count
Semester 1		
ENGL 1110G. Composition I	4	
BIOL 2210. Human Anatomy and Physiology I for the Health Sciences	4	
CHEM 1120G. Introduction to Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory	4	
BIOL 2225. Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4	
MATH 1220G. College Algebra or MATH 1130G. Survey of Mathematics	3	
LEVEL ONE		
PSYCH 1110G. Introduction to Psychology	3	
NURS 134. Foundation of Nursing Skills and Assessment	3	1+6p
NURS 136. Foundations of Nursing Practice	6	4+2p
LEVEL TWO		
NURS 130. Foundations of Pharmacology	5	
NURS 147. Adult Health I	6	4+2p
NURS 149. Mental Health Nursing	4	3+1p
LEVEL THREE		
NURS 224. Maternal Child Nursing	6	5+1p
NURS 226. Adult Health II	6	4+2p
CEPY 1120G. Human Growth and Behavior	3	
LEVEL FOUR		
NURS 201. Special Topics (NCLEX RN Review)	3	
NURS 236. Nursing Preceptorship – Adult Health III	6	2+4p
TOTAL CREDITS	70	

Semester one (1) courses are prerequisites for entry into the AASN programs.

