Jefferson College Bi-Level Nursing Application Process - Level I / PN

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

• HESI A2 Entrance Exam
  - To be considered for admission, a candidate must earn a minimum of 85% in three of the four tested areas and a minimum of 80% in the fourth area (Reading, Grammar, Basic Math, and Vocabulary). Minimum overall score: 335. There are 400 points possible on this exam.
  - Cost of the HESI A2 is $50.00 (effective July 1, 2019) to be paid at the cashier’s office prior to testing.
  - The exam may be taken one (1) time during the testing period of January 1–June 30, and one (1) time during the testing period of July 1–December 31, for a maximum of twice per year (no exceptions). If an applicant does not make a passing score, the applicant will need to wait until the next testing period to retake the exam.
  - The HESI A2 exam can be taken at the Hillsboro (636-481-3147) or Arnold Testing Center (636-481-3592). No appointment necessary. Allow 4 hours to complete the exam. Contact the testing center for hours of operation.
  - A study guide is available at the Jefferson College Hillsboro and Arnold libraries. The guide is also sold in the Jefferson College bookstore or online at www.us.elsevierhealth.com. Testing is over the first four chapters only on Reading, Grammar, Basic Math, and Vocabulary. (Study guide ISBN: 978-0-323-35378-6)
  - HESI A2 online study links are available on the nursing website at www.jeffco.edu/nursing → Application Process - Nursing → HESI A2 Resource Links.
  - HESI A2 scores are valid for 2 years prior to the program start date.
  - A2 scores taken elsewhere and within 2 years may be transferred to Jefferson College by contacting HESI customer service at 1-800-222-9570 and paying the testing transfer fee.
  - For information on HESI A2 study materials and the Evolve remediation process visit www.jeffco.edu/nursing → Application Process - Nursing.

• GPA of 2.8
  - GPA is calculated utilizing Level I/PN and Level II/RN pre-requisite and co-requisite courses:
    - PSY 101, BIO 211, BIO 212, BIO 113, PSY 205, ENG 101, ENG 102 or COM 100, HST 103/HST104 or PSC 102.
    - If ENG 102 and COM 100 have been completed, the higher of the two grades will be utilized.
    - If HST 103, HST 104 and PSC 102 have been completed, the highest of the three grades will be utilized.
    - Official transcripts must be sent to the Office of Enrollment Services.

• Completion of Prerequisite Coursework - Must be completed prior to nursing program start date.
  - BIO 211 Anatomy & Physiology I - completed with a grade of “C” or better within 5 years of the program start date. The prerequisite for BIO 211 is BIO 101 (or high school Biology) and CHM 101 (or high school Chemistry) with grades of “C” or better within 5 years.
  - PSY 101 General Psychology - completed with a “C” or better.
  - COL 100; COL 136; COL 101- First Year Experience - This course may not be required for students who have previously completed 15 credit hours of college credit.
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF LEVEL I/PN CERTIFICATE

These courses are part of the Level I/PN curriculum, but can be completed prior to acceptance into nursing program.

___ BIO 212 Anatomy and Physiology II – completed with a grade of “C” or better within 5 years of start of the nursing program.
___ PSY 205 Life Span Human Development – completed with a “C” or better.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF LEVEL II/RN- AAS DEGREE

These courses are not required for the PN certificate but are required for the AAS degree. The courses can be completed prior to acceptance to nursing program or during the Level II/RN nursing program.

___ ENG 101 English Composition I
___ ENG 102 English Composition II or COM 100 Fundamentals of Communication
___ PSC 102 US & MO Government & Constitution; or HST 103 US History I to Reconstruction; or HST 104 US History II from Reconstruction (if taken at Jefferson College Spring 2016 or later)
___ CIS 125: Computer Proficiency or by examination - completed with a “C” or better.
___ BIO 113 Microbiology for Health Sciences – completed with a “C” or better.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- The full-time Level I/PN day program starts in Fall (August). The part-time Level I/PN evening program starts in Spring (January).
- The Level I/PN nursing program has a year-round application process.
- Application deadline for Fall Level I/PN Day program consideration is the first Monday in April.
- Application deadline for Spring Level I/PN Evening program consideration is the first Monday in October.
- Complete a free Jefferson College application and meet with an enrollment specialist.
- After meeting the minimum HESI A2 test scores, the nursing program application can be obtained from the nursing office located on the Hillsboro campus in CTE 131 or by visiting www.jeffco.edu/nursing.
- The nursing program application fee is $30 to be paid to the cashier.
- The application is to be turned into the nursing office, and will not be accepted without the following: receipt of paid application fee, printed HESI A2 scores, a copy of current certification or licensure for current healthcare position(s) as indicated on the application, and printed course schedule of currently enrolled courses, if applicable (i.e. Fall 2020 applicant enrolled in Spring/Summer 2020 courses).
- After acceptance into the nursing program, information will be provided regarding the requirements for drug and alcohol screening, CPR certification, proof of immunizations, background check, and the orientation process.
- Completion of the application criteria is not a guarantee of admission, but rather the minimal requirement for entry into the selection process.
- Please monitor the nursing department website for updates and changes to the program at www.jeffco.edu/nursing.