

# Entrance Assessment Requirements

Prospective students applying for admission who are high school graduates or hold a high school equivalency diploma must meet the minimum assessment scores as follows:

|                                | Wonderlic SLE | HESI A <sup>2</sup> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Bachelor of Science in Nursing | 20            | 75                  |
| Cardiovascular Sonography      | 21            | 75                  |
| Dental Assistant               | 8             | N/A                 |
| Dental Hygiene                 | 20            | 70                  |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonography  | 21            | 75                  |
| Medical Assistant              | 8             | N/A                 |
| Medical Office Administration  | 8             | N/A                 |
| Practical Nursing              | 17            | 70                  |
| Phlebotomy Technician          | 8             | N/A                 |
| Physical Therapist Assistant   | 18            | N/A                 |
| Respiratory Therapy            | 17            | 70                  |
| Sterile Processing Technician  | 8             | N/A                 |
| Surgical Technology            | 17            | 65                  |

Applicants for all programs may attempt the Wonderlic a total of three times (only twice on the same day) and, when required, the Health Education Systems, Inc. (HESI) A<sup>2</sup> entrance assessment a total of two times. If the minimum score is not met, the applicant must wait six (6) months before retesting.

An applicant may retake the HESI A<sup>2</sup> entrance exam only once after passing the required cut scores at the student's expense.

All students must complete the Online Readiness Assessment.

All previously completed HESI assessments from Concorde, or another institution will be accepted at Concorde's approved acceptable minimum scores. In addition, assessments from other institutions must not have been taken within 30 days of enrollment.

The Wonderlic SLE requirement may be waived upon receipt of documentation of any of the following:

- SAT score of 1000 or above achieved within five years of the date of application to Concorde.
- ACT score of 19 or above achieved within five years of the date of application to Concorde.
- Official proof of successfully passing the Wonderlic SLE at the current required score.
- All core applicants and reentry students are exempt from Wonderlic SLE testing if they can provide a copy or unofficial transcripts of earning an Associate's or higher degree that was taught in the English language.

The HESI A<sup>2</sup> requirement may be waived:

- The student is applying to a program for which the HESI A<sup>2</sup> is not required for waitlist rankings.
- The student provides a **copy or unofficial transcripts** of earning an Associate's or higher degree that was taught in the English language. Applicants with an approved HESI A<sup>2</sup> waiver must still take the Wonderlic SLE and meet the minimum score.
- The applicant achieves a Wonderlic SLE score of 20 or higher for Respiratory Therapy, Surgical Technology or Practical Nursing.

## Clinical Programs

Prospective clinical students will sit for the Wonderlic SLE. Prospective students applying for clinical programs that lead to board exams and/or licensure who meet the initial Wonderlic SLE acceptable minimum score will be required to take the HESI (excluding those exempted above). Candidates for these programs must achieve the minimum composite score to move forward in the admissions process.

Those meeting the Wonderlic SLE minimum score requirement and HESI minimum score requirement will be placed on a waitlist, if applicable. The list will be sorted high to low based on the current waitlist criteria. Students will be selected from the waitlist and notified at least two weeks before the start of the program.

Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Practical Nursing Programs -- Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A<sup>2</sup> assessment score listed above. In addition, candidates must meet the minimum assessment score on each of the three individual sections of the assessment. The minimum assessment score for each section is 10 points lower than the required HESI A<sup>2</sup> overall score listed above.

## Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration Completion Program

The Healthcare Administration bachelor's completion program is open to any student who has successfully completed an associate degree in a healthcare-related field. Applicants wishing to enroll in the Respiratory Therapy emphasis must possess an associate degree in Respiratory Therapy from a Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)-accredited program and a valid Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) or Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) certification.

To be considered for program admissions, applicants must:

- Complete an interview with an admissions representative;
- Submit a completed application for admission; and
- Provide, prior to the first day of class, a copy of unofficial transcripts for a completed associate's degree reflecting a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0. Transcripts for other college-level classes may also be submitted for evaluation. Official transcripts must be on file no later than 30 days after the first day of class and are required to include graduation date, final GPA and degree earned.
- Complete an Online Readiness Assessment. (Students will be required to complete an online assessment of their ability and readiness to successfully complete their education in an online environment. This assessment covers skills, competencies, and access to appropriate technology to succeed in a distance education environment.)

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A<sup>2</sup> assessment score listed above. In addition, candidates must meet the minimum assessment score on each of the three individual sections of the assessment. The minimum assessment score for each section is 10 points lower than the required HESI A<sup>2</sup> overall score listed above.

## Cardiovascular Sonography

Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A<sup>2</sup> assessment score listed above. In addition, candidates must meet the minimum assessment score on each of the three individual sections of the assessment. The minimum assessment score for each section is 10 points lower than the required HESI A<sup>2</sup> overall score listed above.