

Entrance Assessment Requirements

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

	Wonderlic SLE	HESI A ²
Cardiovascular Sonography	21	75
Dental Assistant	8	N/A
Dental Hygiene	20	70
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	21	75
Medical Assistant	8	N/A
Nursing	22	80
Phlebotomy Technician	8	N/A
Physical Therapist Assistant	18	70
Practical Nursing	17	70
Respiratory Therapy	17	70
Sterile Processing Technician	8	N/A
Surgical Technologist	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) A² 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 A² 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 A² requirement may be waived:

- The student is applying to a program for which the HESI A² 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 A² waiver must still take the Wonderlic SLE and meet the minimum score.
- For admission into the Practical Nursing program, the HESI A² requirement will be waived for students that have graduated from Concorde's Medical Assistant program.
- The applicant achieves a Wonderlic SLE score of 20 or higher for Practical Nursing or Respiratory Therapy; or 21 or higher for Physical Therapist Assistant.
- For applicants that have graduated from Concorde's Practical Nursing program with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and are actively licensed as a practical nurse.

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.

Cardiovascular Sonography

Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A² 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 A² overall score listed above.

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program

Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A² 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 A² overall score listed above.

Nursing

Candidates must meet the minimum overall HESI A² 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 5 points lower than the required HESI A² overall score listed above.