ACE II Exams

The ACE II is a standardized test to facilitate educational mobility of RN to BSN students. It is a means of diagnostic evaluation of previous learning and experience for awarding 34 credits towards the University of New Mexico College of Nursing RN to BSN Degree completion program.

The exam is given 4 times per year: November, January, June and July. There are 4 sections or Books to this exam and it is given over 2 consecutive days. **PLEASE NOTE:** This exam is to be completed at or before 2 terms (6-7 credits) of RN/BSN courses have been completed by the student. Each student needs to think about when they will take this exam. For example: if a student is taking 9 credit hours in a term it might be highly unlikely for this student to also take the NLN ACE II Exam during the same term. However, the NLN ACE II Exam could be completed during a term while taking 1 course or perhaps 2 courses depending on the student.

The ACE II was normed on students in baccalaureate nursing programs. There are four content areas, each with its own exam, which are printed in four separate exam books. Integrated throughout each of the four tests are questions about nutrition, pharmacology, patient teaching and interpersonal relations. Questions are presented in case situations and are written in the framework of the nursing process.

**SCORING:** For each main content area of the ACE II, you will receive a score. If any of the four content areas are failed, you may **retake** the section for the failed area three times.

The fee to take the ACE II Exam in Albuquerque is $225.00 (cost subject to change). This exam is scheduled in November, January, June and July for UNM College of Nursing Students.

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