

DENTAL HYGIENE

(CIP 51.0602)

Associate of Applied Science

The Dental Hygiene program consists of a combination of subject matter, experiences, and general liberal-arts courses designed to prepare a person to provide dental hygiene services to patients. The dental hygienist's primary functions include oral prophylaxis, taking and processing radiographs, and oral-health education.

Graduates of the program are eligible to take the National Board Examination and a regional clinical board exam for licensure.

Pre-requisite Courses: Coursework must be completed prior to entering to the program.

BIOL 2401	Anatomy & Physiology I
BIOL 2402	Anatomy & Physiology II
BIOL 2420	Microbiology

Required General Education Course: Preference given during the selection process for courses completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

ENGL 1301	Composition I	PSYC 2301	General Psychology or
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology	PSYC 2314	Life Span Growth & Development
SPCH 1315	Public Speaking or	Humanities/Fine Arts from the AAS General	
SPCH 1318	Interpersonal Communications or	Education Course List	
SPCH 1311	Introduction to Speech		
	Communication or		
SPCH 1321	Business & Professional		
	Communication		

College Readiness Courses (if needed)

Semester I

DHYG 1301	Orofacial Anatomy, Histology & Embryology
DHYG 1311	Periodontology
DHYG 1431	Preclinical Dental Hygiene

Semester II

DHYG 1339	General and Oral Pathology
DHYG 1304	Dental Radiology
DHYG 1261	Clinical – Dental Hygiene/ Hygienist
DHYG 1227	Preventive Dental Hygiene Care
DHYG 1207	General and Dental Nutrition

Semester III

DHYG 1219	Dental Materials
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Semester IV

DHYG 1235	Pharmacology for the Dental Hygienist
DHYG 2362	Clinical – Dental Hygiene/ Hygienist
DHYG 1315	Community Dentistry
DHYG 2201	Dental Hygiene Care I

Semester V

DHYG 2363	Clinical – Dental Hygiene/ Hygienist
DHYG 2231	Dental Hygiene Care II (Capstone Course)
DHYG 2153	Dental Hygiene Practice
DHYG 2102	Applied Community Dentistry

Total Semester Hours – 68