

DENTAL HYGIENE

CURRICULUM DESCRIPTION

The Dental Hygiene curriculum prepares individuals with the knowledge and skills to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate dental hygiene care for the individual and the community.

Students will learn to prepare the operatory, take patient histories, note abnormalities, plan care, teach oral hygiene, clean teeth, take x-rays, apply preventive agents, complete necessary chart entries, and perform other procedures related to dental hygiene care.

Graduates of this program may be eligible to take national and state/regional examinations for licensure which are required to practice dental hygiene. Employment opportunities include dental offices, clinics, schools, public health agencies, industry, and professional education.

Coastal Carolina Community College offers an Associate in Applied Science Degree. This has been identified as a limited enrollment program and may involve certain deadlines. See an academic counselor for additional information. The appropriate coursework is listed below.

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (A45260)

		Hours Per Week			
		Class	Lab	Clinic	Credit
FALL SEMESTER (1st Year)					
BIO 163	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4	2	0	5
CHM 130	General, Organic and Biochemistry	3	0	0	3
CHM 130A	General, Organic and Biochem Lab	0	2	0	1
CIS 111	Basic PC Literacy	1	2	0	2
DEN 110	Orofacial Anatomy	2	2	0	3
DEN 111	Infection/Hazard Control	2	0	0	2
DEN 120	Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lecture	2	0	0	2
DEN 121	Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lab	0	6	0	2
		14	14	0	20
SPRING SEMESTER (1st Year)					
BIO 175	General Microbiology	2	2	0	3
DEN 112	Dental Radiography	2	3	0	3
DEN 130	Dental Hygiene Theory I	2	0	0	2
DEN 131	Dental Hygiene Clinic I	0	0	9	3
DEN 222	General and Oral Pathology	2	0	0	2
DEN 223	Dental Pharmacology	2	0	0	2
		10	5	9	15

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		Class	Lab	Clinic	Credit
SUMMER SEMESTER (1st Session)					
DEN 123	Nutrition/Dental Health	2	0	0	2
DEN 140	Dental Hygiene Theory II	1	0	0	1
DEN 141	Dental Hygiene Clinic II	0	0	6	2
		3	0	6	5
FALL SEMESTER (2nd Year)					
DEN 124	Periodontology	2	0	0	2
DEN 220	Dental Hygiene Theory III	2	0	0	2
DEN 221	Dental Hygiene Clinic III	0	0	12	4
DEN 224	Materials and Procedures	1	3	0	2
DEN 232	Community Dental Health	2	0	3	3
ENG 111	Expository Writing	3	0	0	3
		10	3	15	16
SPRING SEMESTER (2nd Year)					
COM 120	Interpersonal Communication	3	0	0	3
DEN 230	Dental Hygiene Theory IV	1	0	0	1
DEN 231	Dental Hygiene Clinic IV	0	0	12	4
DEN 233	Professional Development	2	0	0	2
SOC 240	Social Psychology	3	0	0	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	0	3
		12	0	12	16
Total Semester Hours:					72

APPROVED HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS ELECTIVES

ART 111	Art Appreciation	HUM 130	Myth in Human Culture
ART 114	Art History Survey I	HUM 160	Introduction to Film
ART 115	Art History Survey II	HUM 211	Humanities I
DRA 111	Theatre Appreciation	HUM 212	Humanities II
DRA 112	Literature of the Theatre	MUS 110	Music Appreciation
DRA 211	Theatre History I	MUS 210	History of Rock Music
DRA 212	Theatre History II	MUS 213	Opera and Music Theatre
ENG 231	American Literature I	PHI 215	Philosophical Issues
ENG 232	American Literature II	REL 112	Western Religions
ENG 241	British Literature I	REL 211	Intro to Old Testament
ENG 242	British Literature II	REL 212	Intro to New Testament
ENG 261	World Literature I	REL 221	Religion in America
ENG 262	World Literature II		