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The Bachelor of Science Program allows associate degree students and licensed dental hygienists the opportunity to build upon their current knowledge, enhance their current professional role, and advance to broader careers to meet the growing public health and education needs in dentistry.

The Bachelor of Science degree in Dental Hygiene will prepare dental hygiene professionals for enhanced roles and responsibilities within the emerging profession. The curriculum is designed to introduce students to the expanding role of dental hygienists in public health and education. Graduates of the Baccalaureate program will be qualified for an array of challenging career opportunities in public health, education, administration, research, management and related fields.

Studies can be undertaken on a full-time or part-time basis. All courses are offered online, in order to provide flexibility for each student's busy schedule.

Students transferring with an associate degree or equivalent from an accredited dental hygiene program will have that degree count as fulfilling CSN's lower division general education requirements without the necessity for a course by course articulation.

This is a limited entry program. All students must satisfy the US/Nevada constitution legislative requirement.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:

- Demonstrate the ability to acquire and synthesize information in a critical, scientific and effective manner.
- Demonstrate the ability to interact with other health professionals to provide educational services and strategies that promote and advance the health of the public.
- Demonstrate the ability to serve in roles and assume responsibility for health promotion and disease prevention activities for diverse populations by involvement in education and public health programs.
- Demonstrate the ability to contribute to the advancement of the dental hygiene body of knowledge and/or conduct research.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (53 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
LOWER DIVISION EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS CREDITS AWARDED:	37	
UPPER DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:	16	
FINE ARTS (any course level) ART, DANCE, Music, THTR	3	_____
ENG 333 Professional Communication	3	_____
EPY 303 Educational Psychology	4	_____
PHIL 302 Intermediate Reasoning Critical Thinking	3	_____
PHIL 311 Professional Ethics	3	_____

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (73 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
DENTAL HYGIENE CREDITS AWARDED	51	
Plus 18 credits from the following:		
DH 400 Group Dynamics and Human Relationships	3	_____
DH 402 Public Health and Special Populations	2	_____
DH 404 Research Methodology	2	_____
DH 406 Health Care Administration	2	_____
DH 408 Teaching Concepts for the Oral Health Professional	2	_____
DH 410 Cross Cultural Communication in Health Care	3	_____
DH 440 Capstone Seminar I	2	_____
DH 442 Capstone Seminar II	2	_____
Plus 4 credits from the following:		
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TRACT:		
DH 412 Dental Public Health Administration	2	_____
DH 422 Oral Epidemiology and Biostatistics	2	_____
OR		
FOR EDUCATION TRACT:		
DH 418 Advanced Education Concepts	2	_____
DH 428 Clinical/Laboratory Teaching	2	_____

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Total Credits

Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.