

Dental Hygiene

Bachelor of Science (123 Credits)

For Students Seeking Admission to the Summer 2026 Program

The Limited Entry Office will be responsible for managing the application process. The selection of students is done by an admissions committee. Qualified applicants must:

- Complete a Health Programs Orientation, meet with a Health Programs Advisor, and complete a Limited Entry Workshop (all within 2 years of application deadline)
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 for the following program prerequisites: BIOL 189, BIOL 223, BIOL 224, BIOL 121, CHEM 121, CLS 261, CLS 262, DH 100, DH 102, ENG 101, ENG 102, and COM 101
- Have a minimum cut-off score of 80% in Reading, 60% in Math, 60% in English, and 60% in Science on the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam.
- Have a minimum cut-off score of 60 percentile on the Spatial Perception test.

Applicants will be ranked and selected using a point system through which points will be awarded. Please see attached Selection Criteria sheet.

PROGRAM PREREQUISITE COURSES: Courses that must be completed before a student is considered eligible for entry into the Program. **FOR SELECTION PURPOSES, PREREQUISITE COURSES FOR LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAMS MAY BE ATTEMPTED THREE TIMES. ALL ATTEMPTS INCLUDE WITHDRAWALS, AUDITS AND GRADES. THE HIGHEST GRADE WILL BE USED FOR THE GPA CALCULATION.**

Course	Title	Cr	Gen Ed Req.	Tech Prep	Min. Grade
ENG 101	Composition I	3	English	No	C
ENG 102	Composition II	3	English	No	C
COM 101	Oral Communication	3	Humanities	No	C
BIOL 189	Fundamentals of Life Sciences	4	Lower Division Core	No	C
BIOL 223	Anatomy & Physiology I	4	Lower Division Core	No	C
BIOL 224	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	Lower Division Core	No	C
CHEM 121	General Chemistry I	4	Lower Division Core	No	C
BIOL 121	Human Nutrition	3	Lower Division Core	No	B
CLS 261	Clinical Microbiology for Dental Professionals	2	Lower Division Core	No	B
CLS 262	Applied Clinical Microbiology for Dental Professionals	1	Lower Division Core	No	B
DH 100	Introduction to Dental Hygiene	1	Lower Division Core	No	B
DH 102	Oral Biology	3	Lower Division Core	No	B
MATH 127	Precalculus II	3	Mathematics	No	C
ENG 231-299	Literature	3	Literature	No	C
PHIL 102	Critical Thinking & Reasoning	3	Analytical Reasoning	No	C
SPAN 111	First Year Spanish I	4	Humanities	No	C
ART 101	Drawing I	3	Fine Arts	No	C
PSY 101	General Psychology	3	Social Sciences	No	C
SOC 101	Principles of Sociology	3	Social Sciences	No	C
HIST 100	Historical Issues and Contemporary Society OR	4	U.S. and Nevada Constitution	No	C
PSC 101	Introduction to American Politics	4	U.S. and Nevada Constitution	No	C
		Total	61		

IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Selection Occurs: Once a year
- Program Begins: **Summer 2026**
- Application Deadline: **February 1, 2026**
- Maximum number of students admitted: **20**
- Limited Entry Application Fee: \$20

*Science courses and DH core course (DH and CLS) must be no more than 7 years old at the time of entry into the program.

*Courses with a DH prefix cannot be audited.

PROGRAM COURSES: These are specialized courses within a health-discipline. They are restricted to students who have been accepted into the health program. Program courses are subject to revision and will not impact program admission.

1 st Semester (Summer)	2 nd Semester (Fall)	3 rd Semester (Spring)	4 th Semester (Summer)	5 th Semester (Fall)	6 th Semester (Spring)
COM 340.....3 cr Cross Cultural Communication	DH 303.....2 cr Prevention and Management of Medical Emergencies	DH 311.....2 cr Pharmacology for Dental Hygienists	DH 401.....2 cr Pain Control Methods	DH 308.....2 cr Dental Materials	DH 411.....1 cr Dental Public Health Field Experience
	DH 304.....3 cr Dental Hygiene Theory I	DH 312.....2 cr General and Oral Pathology for the Dental Hygienist	EPY 303.....3 cr Educational Psychology	DH 403.....2 cr Periodontic Principles II	DH 413.....1 cr Periodontic Principles III
	DH 305.....3 cr Pre-Clinical Practice	DH 313.....2 cr Periodontic Principles I	DH 116.....1 cr Supervised Clinical Practice (Optional)	DH 404.....3 cr Research Methodology	DH 415.....4 cr Clinical Dental Hygiene III
	DH 306.....2 cr Preventive Oral Health Concepts	DH 314.....3 cr Oral Radiology and Interpretation		DH 405.....4 cr Clinical Dental Hygiene II	DH 418.....3 cr Advanced Education Experience
	DH 307.....2 cr Legal and Ethical Concepts in Dentistry	DH 315.....3 cr Clinical Dental Hygiene I		DH 407.....2 cr Dental Public Health Concepts	DH 440.....1 cr Capstone Seminar I
	DH 402.....2 cr Patient Diversity and Cultural Awareness	DH 400.....2 cr Leadership and Group Dynamics		DH 422.....3 cr Oral Epidemiology and Biostatistics	DH 296.....1 cr Board Review (Optional)
	DH 116.....1 cr Supervised Clinical Practice (Optional)	DH 116.....1 cr Supervised Clinical Practice (Optional)		DH 116.....1 cr Supervised Clinical Practice (Optional)	DH 116.....1 cr Supervised Clinical Practice (Optional)
Total Sem 3 cr	Total Sem 14 cr+1cr optional	Total Sem. 14cr+ 1cr opt.	Total Sem 5 cr+1cr opt.	Total Sem 16 cr +1cr opt.	Total Sem 10 cr+2cr opt.
1/25					Total Program Course Credits 62+6cr opt.