



Dental Hygienist

69-credit Associate of Applied Science Degree

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If you have a passion for dental care, are patient and possess good communication skills, dental hygiene may be the field for you. Dental hygienists are comfortable putting people at ease, have the dexterity to handle precision tools and possess physical stamina along with the ability to work in tight spaces.

About This Program

Dental hygienists educate patients on good oral hygiene, and they perform preventive dental care, such as teeth cleaning to remove tartar, stains and plaque; apply sealants and fluoride treatments; and develop x-rays. In this program, learn to provide therapeutic/preventive services with a dentist and become involved in dental health counseling.



Career Salaries

\$64,000 - \$91,700 annually

Salary range estimates based on wages for related occupations in Waukesha County as reported by Economic Modeling Specialists International (EMSI). Individual wages may vary based on experience, industry, location and specific job requirements.



Potential Careers

Dental Hygienist
Registered Dental Hygienist

What Makes This Program Unique

- Program graduates consistently achieve outstanding pass rates on exams - most recently 100 percent on both the National Board Dental Hygiene written exam and Central Regional Dental Testing Service practical exam.
- WCTC's Dental Hygiene Clinic provides comprehensive dental hygiene care to the community in an educational setting. Student dental hygienists complete procedures under the supervision of a licensed dentist and registered hygienist.
- Involvement with the Dental Hygiene Club (SADHA) reinforces the importance of the dental hygienist's role in community service efforts and continuing education.



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CORE COURSES

	Credits	
508-101	Dental Health Safety	1
508-102	Oral Anatomy, Embry, Histology	4
508-103	Dental Radiography	2
508-105	Dental Hygiene Process 1	4
508-106	Dental Hygiene Process 2	4
508-107	Dental Hygiene Ethics & Profes	1
508-108	Periodontology	3
508-109	Cariology	1
508-110	Nutrition and Dental Health	2
508-111	General & Oral Pathology	3
508-112	Dental Hygiene Process 3	5
508-113	Dental Materials	2
508-114	Dental Pharmacology	2
508-115	Community Dental Health	2
508-117	Dental Hygiene Process 4	4
508-118	Dental Anxiety Pain Management	2

GENERAL STUDIES

801-136	English Composition 1	3
801-196	Oral/Interpersonal Comm	3
806-177	Gen Anatomy & Physiology	4
806-186	Intro to Biochemistry	4
806-197	Microbiology	4
809-172	Intro to Diversity Studies	3
809-196	Intro to Sociology	3
809-199	Psychology of Human Relations	3

To support your success in the program, we recommend credits earned in A&P, Microbiology, and Biochemistry be relevant within the last 5 years.

