



Dear Prospective Dental Hygiene Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Dental Hygiene Program at Minnesota State Community and Technical College – Moorhead Campus.

Candidates applying for the Dental Hygiene Program must complete the admission process and be accepted to the college. After completing the application process, dental hygiene applicants will be accepted into Associate of Arts transfer degree with the intention to apply to the Dental Hygiene Program and may take their pre-dental hygiene classes.

To be accepted into the Dental Hygiene program students **MUST** complete the Dental Hygiene program application and submit completed application to the admissions office **by the last day of February** in the year they wish to attend the Dental Hygiene program. Any additional college transcripts with final grades must also be received before March 1.

The **application packet** for the Dental Hygiene program is available on our website at www.minnesota.edu/programs/dental_hygiene/. If you don't have access to the internet, please contact our Student Services Help Center.

We accept the top eighteen applicants into the program each Fall. The selection of the students is done on a point system using the Dental Hygiene Application Assessment Sheet to rank the applicants (included in the application packet). Candidates not accepted into the Dental Hygiene program who wish to be considered for another year must re-apply to the college and to the program. To reapply, a new college application, any new transcripts and a new program application must be submitted by the last day of February.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College is an accredited Dental Hygiene Program. Graduates of the program will have a two-year Associate of Applied Science degree. The required general education classes are offered here at the MSCTC Moorhead Campus and are transferable to a four year degree.

If you have any questions, please call one of our academic counselors, or myself at (218) 299-6512 or (800) 426-5603.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Thomas L. Boe DP-5'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Thomas Boe
Dental Programs Coordinator

DENTAL HYGIENETHE CAREER

If you are interested in a health career oriented toward preventing disease and helping patients maintain good oral health, dental hygiene may be the career for you.

If you would like:

- The responsibility of direct patient care;
- The opportunity to work in pleasant surroundings;
- The satisfaction of helping others;
- The chance to work with people on an individual basis;
- The convenience of flexible work hours;
- The opportunity to practice nationwide and abroad;
- A career with many job opportunities;

Then dental hygiene may be right for you!

Dental hygiene functions vary somewhat from state to state. Functions routinely performed by dental hygienists in Minnesota include, but are not limited to:

- Scaling and polishing teeth;
- Applying fluoride treatments and dental sealants;
- Taking and processing x-rays;
- Examining teeth and surrounding tissue;
- Screening for hypertension and oral cancer;
- Educating patients regarding dental disease, plaque control, and proper home care;
- Providing dental health education in the community;
- Providing nutritional information and advice;

Dental Hygienists can work in private dental offices, dental clinics and hospitals, public health facilities, and product research centers. Hygienist can also work in health education and product sales and marketing.

CREDENTIALS

All states require licensure to practice this profession. A license is issued by the State Board of Dental Examiners after successful completion of both clinical and written examination. The National Board of Dental Hygiene Examination must also be passed to qualify for licensure.

ADMISSION

Admission to the dental hygiene program is limited to eighteen (18) freshmen each August. Applications to the dental hygiene program are accepted before March 1 each year. Selection is based on a formula with components of ACT score, college GPA, and pre-requisite grades. Courses retaken will have grades averaged. After notification, a college health form must be submitted before final acceptance and registration.

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM PLAN

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) 88 Credits

Prerequisites:

MATH 0090	Introductory Algebra	3	3/0/0
CPTR 1100	Fundamentals of Computers (or test out)	1	1/0/0

Curriculum Description

Pre-Hygiene courses:

		Credits	Lec/Lab/OJT
BIOL 2257	Medical Microbiology	3	2/1/0
BIOL 2230	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	2/1/0
BIOL 2232	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	2/1/0
BIOL 2202	Principles Nutrition	3	3/0/0
CHEM 1100	Fund. Concepts of Chemistry	3	2/1/0
ENGL 1101	College Writing I	3	3/0/0
PSYC 1200	General Psychology	3	3/0/0
SOCI 1111	Intro to Sociology	3	3/0/0
DENT 1102	Dental Anatomy	<u>2</u>	2/0/0
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Summer Semester

DENT 1103	Intro for Dental Health Care Providers	<u>2</u>	1/1/0
		2	

Fall Semester

DENT 1100	Biomaterials	3	2/1/0
DENT 1106	Dental Radiology	3	3/0/0
DENT 1108	Dental Radiology Lab	2	0/2/0
DNHY 1104	Dental Anatomy Lab	1	0/1/0
DNHY 1106	Head and Neck Anatomy	2	2/0/0
DNHY 1110	Dental Hygiene Principles I	2	2/0/0
DNHY 1112	Dental Hygiene Practice I	3	0/3/0
DENT 1104	Health Care Providers II	<u>1</u>	1/0/0
		17	

Spring Semester

DNHY 1136	Dental Pharmacology	2	2/0/0
DNHY 1108	Oral Histology & Embryology	2	2/0/0
DNHY 1116	Dental Hygiene Principles II	4	4/0/0
DNHY 1123	Dental Hygiene Practice II	<u>5</u>	0/5/0
		13	

Summer Semester

DNHY 1130	Dental Hygiene Principles III	1	1/0/0
DNHY 1132	Dental Hygiene Practice III	1	0/1/0
DNHY 1124	Pain Control Lab	<u>2</u>	0/2/0
		4	

Fall Semester

DNHY 1118	Oral Pathology	2	2/0/0
DNHY 2210	Dental Hygiene Principles IV	2	2/0/0
DNHY 2213	Dental Hygiene Practice IV	6	0/6/0
DNHY 2226	Community Dental Hygiene	4	3/1/0
DNHY 2219	Periodontology	2	2/0/0
DNHY 2240	Dental Hygiene Clinical Affiliation I	<u>1</u>	0/0/1
		17	

Spring Semester

DNHY 2246	Dental Hygiene Clinical Affiliation II	1	0/0/1
DNHY 2220	Dental Hygiene Principles V	1	1/0/0
DNHY 2223	Dental Hygiene Practice V	6	0/6/0
DENT 1122	Dental Ethics & Jurisprudence	<u>1</u>	1/0/0
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Total Credits

88

Optional

DNHY 232	Dental Hygiene Review	1	0/0/1
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DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Students must be accepted into Minnesota State Community and Technical College and this form **MUST** be completed by the **STUDENT** and returned to the admissions office before he/she will be considered for acceptance into the dental hygiene program. The **STUDENT** is responsible to complete the admission process and be accepted to Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Moorhead, by the last day of February in the year you wish to be considered for full acceptance into the hygiene program. If you are currently taking a course, please put the semester the course will be completed. Accepted students will be required to complete Hepatitis B series, be certified in First Aid and CPR and current in immunizations.

Having completed the courses does **NOT** guarantee acceptance into the hygiene program. Only the top 18 students from the Applicant Assessment form will be accepted.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College – Moorhead requires a math level of Math 0090 for Fund. Concepts Chem 1100. Your assessment test will tell you which math you should begin with.

Prerequisites:		Semester/Year	College/Grade
MATH 0090	Introductory Algebra	3	_____
CPTR 1100	Fundamentals of Computers (or test out)	1	_____

Curriculum Description	Credits	Semester/Year	College/Grade
Pre-Hygiene courses:			
BIOL 2257	Medical Microbiology	3	_____
BIOL 2230	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3	_____
BIOL 2232	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3	_____
BIOL 2202	Principles Nutrition (not worth points)	3	_____
CHEM 1100	Fund. Concepts of Chemistry	3	_____
ENGL 1101	College Writing I	3	_____
PSYC 1200	General Psychology	3	_____
SOC 1111	Sociology	3	_____
DENT 1102	Dental Anatomy	2	_____

Courses to be considered for substitutions. All required courses completed at other colleges will be reviewed by the dental hygiene committee and transfer specialist and are subject to approval.

Course

_____ for _____

_____ for _____

Student must sign and date that the above information is accurate.

NAME - SIGNATURE

Date

PLEASE PRINT NAME

Current Address

Current Phone Number

Current Address

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM APPLICATION ASSESSMENT

(TO BE COMPLETED BY DENTAL HYGIENE SELECTION COMMITTEE)

NAME _____ DATE OF APPLICATION _____
 Address _____ SS # _____
 _____ Phone # _____

Applicants for the dental hygiene program will be assigned points for the courses listed below to determine which applicants will be accepted. The 18 applicants that have the most points will be selected for admission into the dental hygiene program. To receive points for the course, applicants must have completed the courses and received a grade before March 1. Applicants that are in the process of completing the courses as of March 1, will not received points for those courses.

You may apply before all of the pre-requisite courses are completed but should be registered for them during spring semester and summer semester and must achieve a "C" or better. **STUDENTS MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE PREREQUISITIES PRIOR TO FULL ACCEPTANCE INTO THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM!**

Introductory Algebra course from an accredited post-secondary institution. Yes / No
 CPTR 1100 Fundamentals of Computers (or test out) Yes / No
 ***Chem. 1100 Fund. Of Chemistry (suggested fall course) Yes / No
 (grades may be used to break a tie)
 Prerequisites completed before March 1 deadline. (Circle one) Yes / No
 Not required to have all prerequisites completed by March 1, but must be completed by August if accepted.
 ACT Composite score of 21 or above (1 point) or _____
 ACT Composite score of 24 or above (5 points) _____
 (ACT is required but a score of 21 or above is not required. They are given extra points only)
 Combined natural science / math ACT score of 45 or above (1 point) _____

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Honor Points</u> <small>(credits x letter grade points)</small>
BIOL 2230	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3 x	_____ =	_____
DENT 1102	Dental Anatomy	2 x	_____ =	_____
BIOL 2257	Medical Microbiology	3 x	_____ =	_____
ENGL1101 or SPCH 1114	College Writing I or Speech Communications**	3 x	_____ =	_____
PSYC 1200 or SOC 1111	General Psychology or Sociology	3 x	_____ =	_____

College Grades

A = 4 points B = 3 points C = 2 point Points x credit of course = honor points

Educational Credentials

Graduation of an accredited dental assisting program from an accredited college (3 points) _____

Students currently in an accredited dental assisting program with included transcript. (1 pt) _____

*** TOTAL POINTS _____

In case of one or more ties, a public lottery will be the determinant.

**This course will be used for scoring incoming classes beginning Fall 2009 and Fall 2010.

Dental Hygiene Faculty Signature (at least two)

Date _____

Date _____

A NEW APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT EVERY YEAR OF ENROLLMENT. No waiting list is maintained from one year to the next, students are responsible to have current information submitted with their application.

Additional Information:

- Eighteen students are admitted into the program during the fall semester of each year. Admission is highly competitive, and students may keep in contact with the department to see what they may do to increase their chances for admission. The most qualified applicants are selected each year.
- Courses over 5 years old may not be approved for transfer into the program. They will be evaluated by the Transfer Specialist and the Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee.
- The student is responsible for taking all prerequisite courses necessary for admission into required courses.
- **All required courses completed at other schools will be reviewed by the Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee and Transfer Specialist and are subject to approval.**
- Accepted students will be required to complete Hepatitis B series, be certified in First Aid and CPR and be current in immunizations.

*****In the event of a tie, grades from General Chemistry may be applied.**

This document is accurate at time of publication. All revisions will take priority over the information given here.

MOORHEAD CAMPUS PROGRAM COSTS 2008-2009

MAJOR: DENTAL HYGIENE-AAS

CREDITS: 87

APPLICATION FEE: \$20.00

**Associate of Arts with the intention
to apply to Dental Hygiene-27 credits**

FIRST YR OF DENTAL HYGIENE:

Tuition: (31 @ 140.85/Credit)	\$4,366.35	Tuition: (37 @ 199.75/Credit)	\$7,390.75
Books:	\$735.00	Books:	\$735.00
Supplies:		Supplies:	\$2,025.00
Tech. Fee: (10.00/Credit)	\$310.00	Tech. Fee:	\$370.00
Activity Fee: (5.50/Credit)	\$170.50	Activity Fee:	\$203.50
Student Assoc. Fee: (.31/Credit)	\$9.61	Student Assoc. Fee:	\$11.47
Parking Fee:	\$60.00	Parking Fee:	\$60.00
(max of 30.00/Semester)		(max of 30.00/Semester)	
Total:	\$5,651.46	Total:	\$10,795.72

SECOND YR OF DENTAL HYGIENE:

Tuition: (27 @ 199.75/Credit)	\$5,393.25
Books:	\$735.00
Supplies:	\$1,925.00
Tech. Fee:	\$270.00
Activity Fee:	\$148.50
Student Assoc. Fee:	\$8.37
Parking Fee:	\$60.00
(max of 30.00/Semester)	
Total:	\$8,540.12

*All costs listed on this form, including tuition, are estimates. All revisions will take priority over the information on this cost sheet.

*Estimates for room, board, transportation, and personal expenses are not included.

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