**Bachelor of Science - Dental Hygiene Specialization**

**2021-22 Admission Requirements**

**Program Details:** The Dental Hygiene Program provides an education that is highly responsive, scientific and professional, in a learning environment that is dynamic and student-centered. Small-group and case-based learning is used to foster an environment that encourages collaboration with peers and faculty.

**Quota:** Enrolment is limited to an annual quota of 40 students. Of the 40 positions available 36 are reserved for Alberta residents, and up to 4 available for Non-Alberta residents. No non-resident shall be admitted to the Dental Hygiene Program who is less qualified than any Alberta resident who is denied admission to that Program. Besides the regular quota positions, additional position(s) per year are available in the Dental Hygiene program for a qualified student of Aboriginal identity.

**Minimum Standards:** In order to be competitive, applicants should strive for a GPA of 3.0. Students with a GPA of less than 2.7 will not be considered.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

**Admission Requirements:**

1. Prerequisite Courses:

The minimum requirement for admission to the Dental Hygiene Program is the satisfactory completion of \*30 of transferable postsecondary work (5 full-year course equivalents or 10 half-year course equivalents), of which, \*27 (9 half-year course equivalents) must be taken during one Fall/Winter academic year. (A Fall/Winter academic year is September to April inclusive).

The pre-professional course requirements are:

* English (\*6)
* Organic Chemistry (\*3)
* General Chemistry (\*3)
* Biology 107 or equivalent (\*3)
* Sociology (\*3)
* Psychology (\*3)
* Statistics (\*3)
* Options any Faculty (\*6)

1. Other Requirements:
2. English Language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the [University of Alberta Calendar](http://www.registrar.ualberta.ca/calendar) including Spoken English language proficiency.
3. Situational Judgment Test (SJT) results
4. Personal Interview
5. Personal Experiences
6. Police Information Check (PIC)
7. Medical Testing and Immunization
8. Proof of Residency Status may be required
9. Selection Process:
10. Overall GPA (OGPA) - is comprised of all transferable post-secondary work completed as a full-time student taken during Fall/Winter or Spring/Summer Terms. For OGPA calculation, full-time study is equivalent to a minimum of \*18 taken during Fall/Winter Terms or \*12 taken during Spring/Summer Terms.
11. Interview score  
    Interview Process: A personal interview is required of all competitive applicants annually. Interview selection is based on interim transcripts and postsecondary academic record and SJT results. Competitive applicants will be interviewed to determine if they have the personal qualities necessary for the profession. Applicants who fail to submit the required documents by February 1 cannot be evaluated for interview selection. The interview evaluates an applicant's maturity, motivation, initiative, ability to communicate, personal qualities and interests.
12. Personal Experiences  
    Personal Experiences are comprised of five subsections:

* Employment
* Leadership Roles
* Volunteer Work
* Life Experience & Achievements
* Personal Highlights

This gives applicants the opportunity to highlight life experiences that they feel will demonstrate their suitability for the program.

**Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):**

* English Language Arts 30-1
* Mathematics 30-1
* Chemistry 30
* Biology 30
* One of the following: Social Studies 30-1, Physics 30, Science 30, Math 31 or a Language other than English at the 30 level.

**Deadlines:**

Application Deadline: November 1

Interim Transcript Deadline: February 1