Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

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.

A career in dental hygiene:
- offers flexible working schedules in pleasant and safe surroundings;
- offers above-average remuneration in a respected health care profession;
- offers the chance to practice internationally;
- can be enjoyed in a variety of professional settings, in private practice, at Universities and other educational institutions, research, industry, government and health agencies;
- plays a primary role in health promotion and prevention in a dynamic and changing health care system.

QUOTA: The Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene is limited to 46 students yearly where 42 seats are available for Alberta Residents and up to 4 for non-Alberta Residents.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

The minimum requirement for admission is the satisfactory completion of 30 units of transferable postsecondary work (5 full-year course equivalents or 10 half-year course equivalents), of which, 27 units (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:

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<td>*3 of General Chemistry</td>
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<td>*3 of Organic Chemistry</td>
<td>CHEM 261 or 264</td>
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<td>*3 of Cell Biology</td>
<td>BIOL 107</td>
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ENGL 150 does NOT meet requirement

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<td>*3 of Statistics</td>
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<td>*3 of Sociology</td>
<td>SOC 100 or equivalent</td>
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<td>*3 of Psychology</td>
<td>PSYCH 104 or 105</td>
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<td>*6 of options in any Faculty</td>
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In order to be competitive, applicants should strive for a minimum GPA of 3.0. Students with a GPA of less than 2.7 will not be considered for admission.

For overall GPA calculation full-time study is equivalent to a minimum of 18 units taken during Fall/Winter terms or 12 units taken during Spring/Summer terms. For applicants who have completed four or more years of full-time transferable post-secondary work, the Overall GPA is calculated with the deletion of the lowest GPA period, provided it is not the most recent full-time period or the only Fall/Winter where 27 units were taken.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. **English Language Requirements:** Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including Spoken English language proficiency.
2. **Casper Test (CSP-10202):** Only valid for the current application year. Typically offered once in November and December in the year of application.
3. **Personal Experiences Form:** Highlights employment, leadership and/or volunteer experiences, life experiences and achievements, and personal highlights. Forms are available following the submission of an application.
4. **Personal Interview:** Interview selection is based on interim GPA, including current Fall grades. The interview will assess maturity, motivation, initiative, ability to communicate, personal qualities and interests.

**POST ACCEPTANCE REQUIREMENTS**

1. Police Information Check (PIC) with Vulnerable Sector Check
2. Medical Testing and Immunization
3. Basic Life Saving CPR for Healthcare Professionals
4. Proof of Residency Status may be required

**APPLICATION TIMELINE**
Applications Open: July 1, 2024
Applications Close: November 1, 2024
Notification of Acceptance: May - July 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

Submit Personal Experiences forms: November 1, 2024
Unofficial Transcript including Fall/Winter registration Deadline: November 15, 2024
Casper Results Deadline: January 2, 2025
Unofficial Transcript including Fall grades and Winter registration Deadline: February 1, 2025
Final Official Transcripts with Fall/Winter grades Deadline: June 15, 2025

FAQ

Frequently asked questions can be found here, and you can use our Admissions Checklist to help in the application process.

ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER

Notification of Acceptance: May-July, 2025

Deposit: Upon notification of acceptance, applicants will be required to confirm their admission and intention to register by submitting a nonrefundable tuition deposit of $500 within the time specified in the letter of acceptance. The deposit will be credited toward payment of tuition upon completion of registration.

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