

# ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN DENTAL HYGIENE



Work in an in-demand field with great opportunities for career growth and job security. Become a dental hygienist and see people smile every day. As a dental hygienist you will interact with patients on a daily basis, offer preventative services, and promote good oral health.

Our associate degree program in Dental Hygiene is designed to equip students with the skills to become professionals ready to assist the public and the community by providing clinical and oral cancer screening, therapeutic services, as well as oral dental education. The program is centered on evidence-based learning with the theoretical foundation and hands-on classwork that prepare students for the workforce and create an appreciation for lifelong learning.

Upon completion of the required 80 credit program, students will be eligible to apply for National Board exams. After successfully passing the National Board exams, students will obtain a Connecticut Dental Hygienist Licensure.

- ▶ State-of-the-art dental clinic and equipment where students can perfect their skills in a supervised setting
- ▶ Functional dental office with full waiting areas for patients/clients
- ▶ 6 semester program – students can get trained and be working in the field in as few as 24 months
- ▶ Day and evening classes available in on-ground and hybrid formats
- ▶ Clinic open 6 days a week

# CURRICULUM

Courses are not included in the 80 credits needed for graduation.

Courses Required for Admission - NOT included		
CAP 1XX	Computer Literacy Competency (CL)	3
MATH 1XX	Math Competency	3
PSY 112	Introduction to Psychology	4

Courses that must be successfully completed (C+ or better) before application to the Dental Hygiene program.

Courses Required for Admission - included		
ENG 101	English Composition	3
CHEM 101	Chemistry (SCI)	4
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 212	Anatomy and Physiology II	4

Courses that may be taken along with DHP courses after acceptance into the Dental Hygiene program.

Concurrent Courses		
ENG 1XX	Writing Competency (WR)	3
COM 1XX	Communications Competency (COM)	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
BIO 235	Microbiology*	4
	Cultural Competency (CU or E/P)	3

Dental Hygiene Major Core Requirements - 49 credits		
<b>First Session</b>		
DHP 105	Radiology	3
DHP 104	Head and Neck Anatomy and Embryology	4
<b>Second Session</b>		
DHP 110	Principles of Dental Hygiene I	4
DHP 202	Nutrition	3
<b>Third Session</b>		
DHP 120	Principles of Dental Hygiene II	4
DHP 102	Periodontology	3
<b>Fourth Session</b>		
DHP 106	Pharmacology and Pain Management	4
DHP 103	Dental Materials	4
<b>Fifth Session</b>		
DHP 210	Principles of Dental Hygiene III	5
DHP 201	Community and Public Health Dentistry	4
DHP 113	General and Oral Pathology	3
<b>Sixth Session</b>		
DHP 220	Principles of Dental Hygiene IV	5
DHP 200	Dental Hygiene Seminar/Board Review	3

**Total Credits: 80**

\* Applicants are strongly advised to complete Microbiology prior to entering the Dental Hygiene program.

These courses must be completed with a C+ or better to graduate from this program.

To view course descriptions visit:  
[www.goodwin.edu/academics/course-descriptions](http://www.goodwin.edu/academics/course-descriptions)

## ADMISSION BASED ON A POINT SYSTEM INCLUDING:

- ▶ Courses taken at Goodwin College
- ▶ Overall GPA for courses taken at Goodwin College
- ▶ GPA in prerequisite coursework
- ▶ Previous Degree
- ▶ Essay
- ▶ Community Service

## TO REQUEST MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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Goodwin College Dental Hygiene program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and it has been granted the accreditation status of initial accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611