

# Dental Hygiene Associate of Applied Science Program

## Application Process

Website: <http://www.austincc.edu/health/dhyg> 512-223-5700 or toll free (888) 626-1697  
**Applicants are responsible for checking the Program website for any changes/updates in requirements.**

### Admission to the College:

- Gain admission to Austin Community College; follow instructions/process at <http://www.austincc.edu> Visit a campus advisor or counselor (Student Services-all campuses) to determine need for ACC assessment testing.
- Dental Hygiene requires that the TSI status be complete or exempt for program admission consideration.

**NOTE:** Admission to Austin Community College **does not** guarantee admission to the **Dental Hygiene Program.**

**START IMMUNIZATIONS NOW!**

### Applying to the Program:

- Review the Dental Hygiene website. Complete a **mandatory** Information Session online at <http://www.austincc.edu/health/dhyg/infosession.php> .
  - Retain the Verification Form to submit with application.
- Complete program required immunizations. See <http://www.austincc.edu/health/immunizations.php> for information and form. **The application will not be accepted without a copy of the completed immunization record.**
- Complete the prerequisites courses.
  - Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, and Introduction to Microbiology must have been completed within 5 years of application deadline.
  - Overall GPA must be 2.0 minimum.
  - Competitive GPA is 3.85 in the prerequisites.
  - If successfully completed by the application deadline, the grades in the co-requisites will earn additional points in the selection process.
- Complete the Observation form (back page of application)
- Submit Dental Hygiene application to Health Science Admissions by **February 1<sup>st</sup> (deadline) with:**
  - Original, sealed transcripts with your Dental Hygiene application for **ALL** colleges or universities attended other than ACC. (Even if you have already submitted these transcripts to the college.)
  - Immunization documentation
  - Copy of DANB certification, if applicable. Must be current.

### Selection into the Program:

The ranking score is computed by taking the prerequisite GPA and multiplying it by 200; points are then awarded and added to the GPA calculation for successful completion of any of the co-requisites (non-DHYG) courses by the February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Points are awarded for DANB accredited dental assistants or dental laboratory technicians. Please see the ranking worksheet:

[http://www.austincc.edu/health/dhyg/documents/Ranking\\_Worksheet.pdf](http://www.austincc.edu/health/dhyg/documents/Ranking_Worksheet.pdf)

Only courses completed by the application deadline will be considered in the selection process.

Please note that to be compliant with clinical requirements a mandatory **criminal background check** will be required prior to admission to the Dental Hygiene Program. As specific timelines must be met, **do not do this until instructed by the program.**

Applications may be obtained/submitted to Health Science Admissions Office  
Eastview Campus, 3401 Webberville Rd. Austin, TX 78702 (Building 8000, Room 8356)

**ACC Dental Hygiene**  
**Associate of Applied Science Degree**  
 Beginning August 2009

**PREREQUISITES:**

**ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PREREQUISITE COURSES MUST BE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BY THE FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> APPLICATION DEADLINE**

BIOL	2304 + 2101	Human Anatomy [lecture course plus co-requisite lab] <sup>1</sup>	4
BIOL	2305 + 2102	Human Physiology [lecture course plus co-requisite lab] <sup>1</sup>	4
BIOL	2420	Introduction to Microbiology (BIO 1704) <sup>1</sup> [or BIOL 2421]	4
CHEM	1305	Introduction to Chemistry I Lecture* [Or CHEM 1311]	3
CHEM	1105	Introduction to Chemistry I Lab* [Or CHEM 1111]	1
ENGL	1301	English Composition	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>19</b>

**SEMESTER 1 (Fall):**

DHYG	1227	Preventive Dental Hygiene Care	2
DHYG	1301	Orofacial Anatomy, Histology, & Embryology	3
DHYG	1304	Dental Radiology	3
DHYG	1331	Preclinical Dental Hygiene	3
PSYC	2301	Introduction to Psychology (No substitute)	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>14</b>

**SEMESTER 2 (Spring):**

DHYG	1207	General & Dental Nutrition	2
DHYG	1260	Clinic I - Dental Hygienist	2
DHYG	1319	Dental Materials	3
HPRS	1273	Pharmacology <sup>1</sup> [or HPRS 2300]	2
MATH	1342	Elementary Statistics <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>12</b>

**SEMESTER 3 (Summer):**

DHYG	2201	Contemporary Dental Hygiene Care I	2
SPCH	1315	Fundamentals of Public Speaking [or SPCH 1311 or SPCH 1321] <sup>2</sup>	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>5</b>

**SEMESTER 4 (Fall):**

**YEAR TWO**

DHYG	1239	General and Oral Pathology	2
DHYG	1311	Periodontology	3
DHYG	1315	Community Dentistry	3
DHYG	2261	Clinic II – Dental Hygienist	2
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>10</b>

**SEMESTER 5 (Spring):**

DHYG	1123	Dental Hygiene Practice	1
DHYG	2231	Contemporary Dental Hygiene Care II	2
DHYG	2362	Clinic III - Dental Hygienist	3
SOCI	1301	Introduction to Sociology (No substitute)	3
XXXX	X3XX	Humanities [from ACC Core Curriculum listing]	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL</b>			<b>12</b>

<sup>1</sup> Must be completed within 5 years of application date.

<sup>2</sup> SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication is NOT acceptable.

<sup>3</sup> The only substitutes allowed are: SOC 2743 (Social Statistics) + a college level Math or PSYC 2317 (Statistical Methods) + a college level Math.

\* Prior to 2008 the Chemistry requirement was a combined lecture + lab course: CHEM 1405 Introduction to Chemistry

All courses in any semester must be completed with a "C" or better before proceeding to the next semester.

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