Dental Hygiene AS

Program Learning Outcomes:
1. Synthesize knowledge from all branches of learning to provide preventative, educational, collaborative, and therapeutic dental hygiene care for individuals and groups in a variety of settings.
2. Develop a desire and ability to provide dental hygiene care applying the highest morale, ethical and legal principals including those outlined by the American Dental Hygienists’ Association and the American Dental Association.
3. Function in the professional dental hygiene roles of the clinician, health promoter/educator and change agent.
4. Develop and maintain professional competence founded in evidence based decision-making and continued education while promoting personal and professional growth.
5. Promote client and community satisfaction with the quality of the dental hygiene education and care process provided by the program.

Careers in:
- Clinician
- Private practice
- Community clinics
- Researcher
- Educator
- Public health
- Administrator
- Entrepreneur

Required pre req
DENHY 101 Dental Hygiene Orientation

Entry Requirements
Science Prereqs (prior to entry)
- BIOSCI 139
- BIOSCI 140
- BIOSCI 146 or 119
- CHEM 108
- CHEM 109
- NUTR 160

GE Prereqs (prior to entry)
- ENGL 122
- MATH 135 or 142
- COMM 120 or 130
- SOCIO 120
- PSYCH 101 or 122

GE Concurrently
- DVC GE Area III

Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) California Dental Practice Act (DPA)

1st Year

Summer
- DENHY 120
- DENHY 127
Total = 3.5 units

IGETC 5

Fall
- DENHY 121
- DENHY 124
- DENHY 125
- DENHY 126
Total = 14.5 units

IGETC 4

Spring
- DENHY 122
- DENHY 123
- DENHY 128
- DENHY 131
- DENHY 135
Total = 15 units

2nd Year

Summer
- DENHY 129
- DENHY 134
Total = 3.5 units

Fall
- DENHY 133
- DENHY 219
- DENHY 225
- DENHY 227
- DENHY 230
Total = 12 units

Intended Roles
- RDH Licensure
  - National Boards
  - Practical Exam
  - CA Law & Ethics

Spring
- DENHY 223
- DENHY 226
- DENHY 231
- DENHY 290
Total = 10 units

You need to see a Counselor for specific recommendations about courses that will best meet your educational goals. Not all courses on the map are offered every term. Consult the Catalog and the Schedule of Classes for more details.

For information about transferring, see:
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For information on careers in this field see:
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