



Dental Hygiene A.S. Degree

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. **Please see a counselor** to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2024-25

Total Units: 100.5-102.5

First Year

Semester 1 (Fall)

15-16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
PreReq	ENGWR 300* / 488 ^H / ESLW 340	College Composition	3-4	IIA
GE		Humanities	3	I
PreReq	CHEM 309*** / 305 ⁺	Integrated General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry	5	IV
PreReq	PSYC 300 / 480 ^H	General Principles	3	VB
GE		Physical Education	1	IIIA

*If you don't place directly in ENGWR 300 (check your e-Services account), you will need to take ENGWR 80/ENGWR 300 combo course.

**Major Elective: CHEM 309 OR (CHEM 305 & 306)

+Prerequisite for CHEM 305 & 309: Completion of Elementary Algebra with a grade of "C" or better or placement through assessment process

Semester 2 (Spring)

14-15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
PreReq	AH 301*	Health Care in a Multicultural Society	3	VI
PreReq	STAT 300** / 480 ^H / MATH 300	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3-4	IIB
PreReq	BIOL 430 ⁺	Anatomy and Physiology	5	
PreReq	SOC 300	Introductory Sociology	3	

*Any course that meets the Ethnic/Multicultural graduation requirement meets this enrollment eligibility criteria. AH 301 is recommended.

**If you don't place directly in STAT 300 or MATH 300 (check your e-Services account), you will need to take STAT 10/STAT 300 or MATHS 95/MATH 300 combo course. STAT 300, STAT 480(H), MATH 300 or higher meets this enrollment eligibility requirement.

+Prerequisite for BIOL 430: Completion of CHEM 305, 309 or 400 with a grade of "C" or better

Legend

- (H) - Honors
- Elec - Elective
- GE - General Education
- Maj - Required Core
- ME - Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

THIS MAP IS CREATED BASED ON CATALOG REQUIREMENTS AND PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY. MANY OF THE REQUIREMENTS TO ENTER THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM HAVE PREREQUISITES AND MAY TAKE LONGER TO COMPLETE THAN THE SEQUENCE OF THIS MAP. STUDENTS USING FINANCIAL AID MUST CLAIM PRE-HEALTH OCCUPATIONS AS THEIR MAJOR UNTIL ACCEPTED INTO THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM. PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed at Sacramento City College.
2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.
3. Completion of Sacramento City College's general education requirements "Area I; Area II(a) and II(b); Area III(a) and III(b), or Area III(c);

Second Year

Semester 3 (Fall)

11 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
PreReq	COMM 301 / 331 / 481 ^H	Introduction to Public Speaking	3	
PreReq	BIOL 431 ⁺	Anatomy and Physiology	5	
PreReq	NUTRI 300 / 480 ^H	Nutrition	3	IIIB

+Prerequisite for BIOL 431: Completion of CHEM 305, 309 or 400 and BIOL 430 with grades of "C" or better

Semester 4 (Spring)

12 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
GE		American Institutions	3	VA
PreReq	BIOL 440 ⁺	General Microbiology	4	
PreReq	CHEM 306 ^{*+}	Introduction to Organic and Biological Chemistry	5	

+Prerequisite for BIOL 440: Completion of CHEM 305, 309 or 400 with a grade of "C" or better

*CHEM 306 is only required for students who chose to complete CHEM 305 in a previous semester. Students who completed CHEM 309 in a previous semester do not need to take this course.

+Prerequisite for CHEM 306: Completion of CHEM 305 with a grade of "C" or better

Area IV; Area V; and Area VI with an overall 2.0 GPA.

4. Completion of all three competency requirements (reading, writing, and mathematics).

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Support courses required for English and Math per placement. **Check your e-Services account under Academic Records** to determine your placements.

Important Links

[SCC General Counseling](#)

[Dental Hygiene](#)

[Health & Health Profession Meta Majors](#)

Third Year

Semester 5 (Fall)

11 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
Maj	DHYG 101	Introduction to Clinical Dental Hygiene	6	
Maj	DHYG 103	Oral Histology and Embryology	1	
Maj	DHYG 104	Patient Education and Nutrition	2	
Maj	DHYG 107	Dental Morphology	1.5	
Maj	DHYG 109	Infection Control and Hazardous Materials	0.5	

****All DHYG major courses have an enrollment limitation requiring acceptance into the dental hygiene program.****

Semester 6 (Spring)

11 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
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CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
Maj	DHYG 111 ⁺	Clinical Dental Hygiene I	4	
Maj	DHYG 112 ⁺	Periodontics I	2	
Maj	DHYG 113 ⁺	Head and Neck Anatomy	2	
Maj	DHYG 117 ⁺	Dental Radiology	3	

+Prerequisite for DHYG 111: DHYG 103 and 107 with grades of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for DHYG 112, 113 & 117: DHYG 101, 103, 104, 107, and 109 with grades of "C" or better

Summer Session

6 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
Maj	DHYG 121	Clinical Dental Hygiene II	2	
Maj	DHYG 127	Dental Materials	2	
Maj	DHYG 129	Dental Anesthesia	2	

+Prerequisite for DHYG 121 & 127: DHYG 111, 112, 113, and 117 with grades of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for DHYG 129: DHYG 113 and 121 with grades of "C" or better

Fourth Year

Semester 7 (Fall)

13 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
Maj	DHYG 131 ⁺	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	4.5	
Maj	DHYG 132 ⁺	Periodontics II	1	
Maj	DHYG 134 ⁺	Community Dental Health	2	
Maj	DHYG 135 ⁺	Clinic Seminar	1.5	
Maj	DHYG 138 ⁺	Oral Pathology	2	
Maj	DHYG 139 ⁺	Pharmacology	2	

+Prerequisite for DHYG 131: Completion of DHYG 121, 127 and 129 with grades of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for DHYG 132, 134, 135, 138 & 139: Completion of DHYG 121 and 127 with grades of "C" or better

Semester 8 (Spring)

7.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
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CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
Maj	DHYG 141 ⁺	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	4.5	
Maj	DHYG 145 ⁺	Clinic Seminar II	1	
Maj	DHYG 149 ⁺	Ethics, Jurisprudence and Dental Hygiene Practice	2	

+Prerequisite for DHYG 141, 145 & 149: Completion of DHYG 131, 132, 134, 135, 138 and 139 with grades of "C" or better

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