PROGRAM FACT SHEET

DENTAL HYGIENE A45260

The Dental Hygiene curriculum prepares individuals with the knowledge and skills to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate dental hygiene care for the individual and the community.

Students will learn to prepare the operatory, take patient histories, note abnormalities, plan care, teach oral hygiene, clean teeth, take x-rays, apply preventive agents, complete necessary chart entries, and perform other procedures related to dental hygiene care.

Graduates of this program may be eligible to take national and state/regional examinations for licensure, which are required to practice dental hygiene. Employment opportunities include dental offices, clinics, schools, public health agencies, industry, and professional education.

**Awards**

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| **Associate Degree:** Dental Hygiene (A45260) | **Length of Program:** 5 Semesters  **Prerequisite** High School Diploma/GED,  1 Unit of Biology, 1 Unit of Chemistry,  ENG-002 Tier 2 or Placement Test Equivalent,  TEAS test score proficient or higher |  |
| **Diploma:**  Not Applicable | **Length of Program:**  **Prerequisite:** |  |
| **Certificate:** Not Applicable | **Length of Program:**  **Prerequisite:** |  |

**Work-Based Learning Education Requirements/Opportunities:** For Work-Based Learning education requirements/opportunities please see the appropriate Program Sequencing sheet.

**License or Certification Information:** Students are eligible to sit for both the National Dental Hygiene Board and the NC State Dental Hygiene Board or applicable state or regional boards.

**Programmatic Accreditation:** Commission on Dental Accreditation

American Dental Association

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**Program Information Contact:**

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**Application Deadlines:** The program is designed for a student to enter during the fall semester. A student may enter at other times with approval of the Department Chairperson. Students should apply by January 30th. Specific health program admission requirements must be met before a student is eligible for admission.

**Scholarship/Title IV Financial Aid/VA Services:** Scholarships/Title IV Financial Aid/Veteran's assistance may be available for associate degrees. Certificates and diplomas that fall under this program/area of study **may or may not be eligible** for Scholarship/Title IV Financial Aid/VA Services. Please contact the Financial Aid Office, Student Center, Room 2; Telephone (910) 678-8242. Veterans Services, General Classroom Building, Room 202, (910) 678-8580.

**Child Care Financial Assistance Information:**

Telephone: (910) 678-8486

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