

CAMPUS PROGRAM CONTACTS

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PROGRAM OF STUDY: Pre-Entry Course Requirements. Any additional prerequisite coursework required to complete pre-entry courses are not factored into total program hours.

Selective Admissions to Health Sciences Programs Prerequisites

Rationale: Students who wish to declare a major in some health professions programs must meet minimum criteria to apply. Admission to a program in the School of Health Professions is selective due to availability and limitations of practicum sites and limitations in the number of students who can be accommodated in clinical groups. All students interested in this program should consult a Student Success Advisor at their campus of their choice. The programs in the School of Health Professions require clinical or field experience as part of the curriculum. A criminal background check, drug screen, and documentation of current immunizations are required (at the student's expense) for participation in clinical or other field experiences. Specific academic criteria for admission are on the second page of this document.

Application Requirements:		Cr. Hrs.
BIO 203*	Completion of General Microbiology I with a grade of "C" or higher.	4
BIO 207*	Completion of Anatomy and Physiology I with a grade of "C" or higher.	4
BIO 208*	Completion of Anatomy and Physiology II with a grade of "C" or higher.	4
CHM 101*	Completion of Fundamentals of Chemistry I with a grade of "C" or higher.	5

General Education Requirements (not required to apply):		
COM 101	Completion of Oral Communication I with a grade of "C" or higher.	3
ENG 101	Completion of College Composition I with a grade of "C" or higher.	3
PSY 200	Completion of General Psychology with a grade of "C" or higher.	3
SOC 101	Completion of Introduction to Sociology with a grade of "C" or higher.	3
XXX xxx	Completion of the Missouri Civics Requirement with a grade of "C" or higher.	3

Program Requirements:		
First Semester		
DHY 150	Concepts in Clinical Dental Hygiene I: Pre-Clinic	3
DHY 152	Clinical Dental Hygiene I: Pre-Clinic	2
DHY 154	Periodontics	2
DHY 155	Dental Radiology	2
DHY 156	Dental Radiology Lab	1
DHY 157	Oral Anatomy	2
DHY 158	Biomedical Science for the Dental Hygienist	2
DHY 159	Dental Medical Emergencies	1
Second Semester		
DHY 160	Concepts in Clinical Dental Hygiene II	3
DHY 162	Clinical Dental Hygiene II	5
DHY 164	Periodontics II	2
DHY 167	Anatomy and Embryology of the Head and Neck	3
DHY 168	General and Oral Pathology	2
DHY 169	Ethics in Dental Hygiene	1
Third Semester (Summer)		
DHY 172	Clinical Dental Hygiene: Summer Clinic	2
DHY 273	Pain Control	2
Fourth Semester		
DHY 250	Concepts in Clinical Dental Hygiene III	2
DHY 251	Concepts in Clinical Dental Hygiene III: Lab	1
DHY 252	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	5
DHY 257	Dental Materials	1
DHY 258	Dental Pharmacology	2
DHY 259	Dental Nutrition and Biochemistry	2
Fifth Semester		
DHY 260	Concepts IV: Transitioning into Professional Dental Hygiene Practice	2
DHY 262	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	5
DHY 263	Dental Public Health	2
Total Hours Required		73

*BIO 203, BIO 207, BIO 208, and CHM 101 must be completed within 5 years prior to application. There is a total of two attempts allowed for each pre-requisite course. Withdrawals count as attempts.

Please visit the interactive class schedule for information regarding class times.

Admission to St. Louis Community College does not guarantee admission to the Dental Hygiene program. Below is a pre-entry checklist.

General Pre-entry Requirements:		Check
1	Application submitted for admission to STLCC. Please visit www.stlcc.edu/apply .	
2	Degree Seeking Status. Official College Transcripts - An official transcript from each college attended must be sent directly from the college attended to the STLCC-Registrar's Office and fully evaluated. Please visit https://stlcc.edu/admissions/apply-to-stlcc/transfer-students/transferring-credit-to-stlcc.aspx for more information.	
3	Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5. <i>Developmental courses (numbered below 100) completed at any institution will not be counted toward the minimum cumulative GPA. The minimum 2.5 GPA must be maintained while on the Dental Hygiene applicant List. A minimum GPA of 2.0 must be maintained once enrolled into the Dental Hygiene program.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STLCC students with at least 15 college level credits with a 2.5 GPA will meet this requirement, regardless of the GPA at other colleges. College transfer students with fewer than 15 STLCC credits must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA in college level credits earned at all colleges attended. 	
4	Minimum science prerequisite GPA of 3.0: All applicants must have completed the following college-level course prerequisites with a GPA of 3.0 or higher: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIO 203: General Microbiology I BIO 207: Anatomy and Physiology I BIO 208: Anatomy and Physiology II CHM 101: Fundamentals of Chemistry I 	
5	General Microbiology I: BIO 203 completed with a grade of "C" or higher within 5 years of applying to the program. Prerequisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIO 111 or BIO 140 with a grade of "C" or higher and Reading Proficiency. 	
6	Anatomy and Physiology I: BIO 207 completed with a grade of "C" or higher within 5 years of applying to the program. Prerequisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIO 111 or BIO 140 or CHM 101 with a grade of "C" or higher or college-level course equivalency and Reading Proficiency. 	
7	Anatomy and Physiology II: BIO 208 completed with a grade of "C" or higher within 5 years of applying to the program. Prerequisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIO 207 completed with a grade of "C" or higher and Reading Proficiency. 	
8	Fundamentals of Chemistry I: CHM 101 completed with a grade of "C" or higher within 5 years of applying to the program. Prerequisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MTH 109 or higher with a grade of "C" or higher or placement into a higher math class and Reading Proficiency. 	
9	Observation Hours: Students must complete a total of 20 hours observing dental hygienists in private practice in a minimum of two offices, three preferred. This is to be documented on practice letterhead (must include: dates, number of hours spent observing, and signature of dentist or dental hygienist).	
	When the above criteria have been met, students must submit a signed Dental Hygiene application. The application must be signed by both the student and Student Success Advisor. Completed applications must be emailed to stlcc-dentalhygiene@stlcc.edu . Mailed or faxed applications will not be accepted or processed. All communication from the Dental Hygiene program will be sent to <i>STLCC student email addresses only</i> . No communication will be mailed or faxed to students. <i>Admission and degree requirements are subject to change without advance notice.</i>	