



# DENTAL HYGIENE APPLICANT CHECKLIST

Weber State University | Dr. Ezekiel R. Dumke College of Health Professions

**Application Deadline:**  
**February 1** of every year

**Program Begins:**  
Fall semester of each academic year

If you can check each of the left-hand column blanks, you are qualified to apply to the program!

\_\_\_\_\_ Have you applied to Weber State University (may be done online at *weber.edu*)?

\_\_\_\_\_ Is your college/university overall cumulative GPA at least 2.5?

\_\_\_\_\_ To be eligible to apply, you must be able to check **two (2)** courses from one of the two Science Options listed below, showing you have completed the course with a grade of **‘C’ or higher**.  
*\*All courses within the Science Option must be completed prior to starting the Dental Hygiene program and must not be older than 5 years from the start date of the Dental Hygiene program:*

**Science Option 1**

**OR**

**Science Option 2**

\_\_\_\_\_ Biomedical Core (HTHS 1110)

\_\_\_\_\_ Human Anatomy (Zoology 2100)

\_\_\_\_\_ Biomedical Core (HTHS 1111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Human Physiology (Zoology 2200)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3 credits of Physical Science

\_\_\_\_\_ Chemistry 1010 or Gen Ed Chem

\_\_\_\_\_ Microbiology 1113

\_\_\_\_\_ To be eligible to apply, you must be able to check **four (4)** of the following Support courses, showing you have completed the course with a grade of **‘C’ or higher**. *All Support courses must be completed prior to starting the Dental Hygiene program:*

\_\_\_\_\_ English 1010

\_\_\_\_\_ English 2010

\_\_\_\_\_ Pathophysiology (HTHS 2230)

\_\_\_\_\_ Communication 1020 or 2110

\_\_\_\_\_ Sociology 1010 or 1020

\_\_\_\_\_ Psychology 1010

\_\_\_\_\_ Nutrition 1020

\_\_\_\_\_ Math \*\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Computer & Information Literacy (Parts A, B, C, and D)

*\*\*Math needs to be one of the following:*

Math 1010 completed with a grade of **‘C’ or higher** within the last year, or

Math QL (1030, 1040, or 1050 – only one of the three) completed with a grade of **‘C’ or higher**

(There is no expiration for Math QL)

\_\_\_\_\_ Submit or postmark a complete application by **February 1**. Applications are available during the month of October by visiting *weber.edu/dentalhygiene/degrees/applications.html* or by contacting the DCHP Admissions and Advisement Office at 801.626.6136 or *HealthProfessions@weber.edu*.

## Once I am qualified, how do I improve my chances of getting accepted?

- Students who have all courses complete within one of the Science Options and all of the Support courses complete with a grade of ‘C’ or higher - prior to the application deadline - will be given additional consideration. The average GPA of accepted students is 3.5.
- Obtain Dental experience! Accepted students have at least 100+ volunteer hours. Paid experience is even better.
- Complete an AS/AA or BS/BA degree from any regionally-accredited institution. Having a previous degree will 1) give you extra consideration for having your general education complete, and 2) mean you will not have to complete any general education while in the Dental Hygiene program.
- Although first-time applicants may be accepted into the program, additional consideration will be given to previously qualified applicants.
- Additional consideration will be given to students with diverse backgrounds. Be sure to fill out the diversity information on the application.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **How do my credits transfer from other institutions?**

You may visit our online transfer guide at [weber.edu/transferguide](http://weber.edu/transferguide) for a list of courses from other regionally-accredited colleges/universities and show how those courses transfer to Weber State University.

### **I am just starting, what courses should I register for?**

*If you placed into Math 0950 or 0960...*

HTHS 1108 – Biocalculations for Health Professionals

HTHS 1103 – Intro to Health Careers

HTHS 1101 – Medical Terminology

English 1010 – Intro to College Writing

*If you placed into Math 1010 or QL...*

Math 1010 or Math QL (1030, 1040, or 1050)

English 1010 – Intro to College Writing

HTHS 1110 – Biomedical Core; or Zoology 2100 – Anatomy

Psychology 1010 – Intro to Psychology

*\*These are suggested schedules, not required!*

### **Is there a time limit to how old my courses can be?**

Science Option courses must be completed within five years from the start date of the program. There is no expiration for any other prerequisite courses; however, if students stop at Math 1010 and do not fulfill Math Quantitative Literacy (QL), Math 1010 will expire after one year per WSU policy. Once a student completes the Math QL requirement, there is no expiration.

Math QL is the state requirement for math. To fulfill Math QL, students need to complete either Math 1030, 1040 or 1050 with a grade of ‘C’ or higher.

### **I have completed all of my Science Option and Support courses, what should I take while waiting for acceptance into the program?**

You may complete requirements for an Associate of Science degree in Health Science or General Studies. Also, you may start working on upper-division courses (3000-4000 level courses) for the Bachelor’s degree in Dental Hygiene (*See the DCHP Admissions and Advisement Office for a list of approved courses*).

### **How many students apply and are accepted each year?**

Traditionally, there have been between 150-180 applicants each year for 30 positions.

### **Is there a wait-list?**

No, there is no wait-list for the Dental Hygiene program; however, the program is competitive-based. Your GPA from all prerequisite/support courses, GPA from the Science Option courses, dental experience, and how much you have completed are used for determining selection into the program.

### **Do I need letters of recommendation?**

No, the department does not ask for letters of recommendation with the application.

### **Do I need an ACT score?**

We no longer use the ACT score in our selection process. Your college grades and courses completed will be looked at in the selection process.

### **Does a previous degree help?**

Yes. Additional consideration will be given to those who have a previous degree from a regionally-accredited institution, since you will be done with general education and may apply yourself more to Dental Hygiene.

### **Are there night courses available?**

The prerequisite courses may be done at night or online; however, the Dental Hygiene program is taught during the day. You will need to be available from 8:00-5:00 Monday thru Friday for the program.

For additional questions on application requirements or any other Pre-Dental Hygiene concerns, please contact the Dr. Ezekiel R. Dumke College of Health Professions Admissions and Advisement Office:

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