

# AS Applicant Program Map: Dental Hygiene



Health Sciences Pathway

Associate in Science Degree (AS)

## Dental Hygiene

Florida SouthWestern State College

Catalog Year 2025-2026

Admission into the Dental Hygiene Program is a two-phase process. A limited number of applicants will be admitted each fall semester. Phase I evaluates applicants according to the number of points earned through: cumulative grade point average, math/science grade point average and corequisites points by the application deadline of December 15th. Phase II evaluates the affective skills of applicants using an interview and writing sample. The top 30 candidates with the highest Phase I points are interviewed. Those with the highest total points from Phase I and II are placed in the program in rank order.

### Minimum Requirements to Apply to the AS in Dental Hygiene

- Accepted to Florida SouthWestern State College
- Completion of a minimum of 3 of the 4 Natural Science courses listed below by the end of the Fall semester in which the student is applying:
  - BSC 1085C - ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I W/LAB
  - BSC 1086C - ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II W/LAB
  - MCB 2010C - MICROBIOLOGY W/LAB
  - ANY GENERAL EDUCATION CHEMISTRY W/LAB
- Minimum GPA of 3.0+. Cumulative GPA includes all coursework completed at time of application (*points will not be awarded for repeated courses that have already earned a passing grade of a "C" or better*).
- Transfer students must have their transcripts evaluated by FSW's Registrar by **January 15th** following the application deadline. Courses that transfer in with a "GEE" or "SCI" prefix won't count towards the program requirements. Transfer students should review their transcript evaluation with an advisor as soon as possible to confirm their eligibility to apply.
- Complete and Submit A.S. Dental Hygiene Application through the program page by deadline of **December 15th**. This includes payment of application fee.

### Suggested Applicant Program Map

All courses below must be completed to earn the AS degree and taking them prior to applying will add corequisite points for phase 1 of the application process. *\*SLS 1515 only required for students who begin FSW with fewer than 30 college credits.*

#### Program-Specific General Education/Elective Courses (37 Credits)

##### Semester 1: 10 Credits (\*13 with SLS 1515)

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
SLS 1515	CORNERSTONE EXPERIENCE	*3		*NOT REQUIRED FOR ALL APPLICANTS (SEE ABOVE)
ENC 1101	COMPOSITION I	3		
BSC 1085C	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I	4		REQUIRED TO APPLY
PSY 2012	INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY	3		

##### Semester 2: 14 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
BSC 1086C	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II	4		REQUIRED TO APPLY
NAT. SCI.	ANY GEN. ED. CHEMISTRY W/LAB	4		REQUIRED TO APPLY
SYG 1000	PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY	3		
HUMANITIES	ANY CORE GEN. ED. HUMANITIES	3		

##### Semester 3: 13 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
MCB 2010C	MICROBIOLOGY	4		REQUIRED TO APPLY
MATHEMATICS	ANY CORE GEN. ED. MATH	3		
SPC 1017	FUNDAMENTALS OF SPEECH	3		ALTERNATIVE: SPC 2608
SOC SCI/CIV LIT	CHOOSE AMH 2010, AMH 2020, OR POS 2041	3		MUST ALSO PASS FL CIVIC LIT. (FCLE) EXAM

# Accepted Student Program Map

Program courses below begin the Fall term after application deadline and acceptance to program and must be taken in the order described. Any missing courses from page 1 of this guide can be integrated into the terms below as needed. In addition, each course must be passed with a grade of "C" or better before the student may advance in the program. All courses are offered only once a year during the semester they are shown.

## Core Program Courses (51 Credits) Fall: 11 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
DES 1020C	DENTAL ANATOMY	2		
DES 1100C	DENTAL MATERIALS	2		
DEH 1130	ORAL HISTOLOGY/EMBRYOLOGY	2		
DEH 1002	DENTAL HYGIENE I	2		
DEH 1002L	DENTAL HYGIENE I PRE-CLINIC LAB	3		

## Spring: 11 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
DES 1200C	DENTAL RADIOLOGY	2		
DEH 1602	PERIODONTICS	2		
DEH 2300	PHARMACOLOGY	2		
DEH 1802	DENTAL HYGIENE II	2		
DEH 1802L	DENTAL HYGIENE II CLINICAL	3		

## Summer: 7 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
DEH 2804	DENTAL HYGIENE III	2		
DEH 2804L	DENTAL HYGIENE III CLINICAL	5		

## Fall: 12 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
DEH 2806	DENTAL HYGIENE IV	2		
DEH 2806L	DENTAL HYGIENE IV CLINICAL	5		
DEH 2400	GENERAL & ORAL PATHOLOGY	2		
DEH 2702	COMMUNITY DENTAL HEALTH	2		
DEH 2702L	COMMUNITY DENTAL HEALTH LAB	1		

## Spring: 10 Credits

Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Met ✓	Notes
DEH 2808	DENTAL HYGIENE V	2		
DEH 2808L	DENTAL HYGIENE V CLINICAL	5		
DES 2832C	EXPANDED FUNCTIONS LAB	2		
DEH 2930	DENTAL HYGIENE SEMINAR	1		

**Total Program Credits: 88**

*\*Students who are required to take SLS 1515 prior to admission to the AS Dental Hygiene Degree will accrue 91 credits.*

Program curriculum and admissions criteria are subject to change.  
Always Check Website for Program Updates:

<https://www.fsw.edu/academics/programs/asdentalhygiene>

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