



# Pre-Dental Hygiene

Applicants to the Dental Hygiene Program must complete one full year of university coursework prior to applying for admission. The number of applicants to Dental Hygiene often exceeds the total number of available spaces; therefore, it is recommended that students have a second career goal, and choose their courses and electives to satisfy both programs.

The following TRU courses are recommended for an application. Program requirements are subject to change annually. Students must review program information within each institution’s calendar, along with their corresponding Dental Hygiene website, to confirm the application process, course requirements, volunteer or paid experience, and additional requirements needed to make admission. Potential applicants should note the competitive GPA required at each institution to be considered. Course transfer should be checked by using the online transfer guide at: [www.bctransferguide.ca](http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

30 Credits of University Coursework	Prerequisites
1. 6 credits of 1 <sup>st</sup> year English <b>ENGL 1100/1110* or 1120 or 1140</b> *Note: Engl 1100/1110 for Vancouver Island U.	73% on English 12 and Gov’t exam (within the last 5 years) or Level 4 on the Composition section of the Language Proficiency Index (within the last 2 years) or completion of English 0600 or completion of CESL 0530, 0540 and 0570 with C+ or better
2. 6 credits of Anatomy and Physiology (with labs) <b>BIOL 1590/1690</b>	BIOL 12 (or BIOL 0600), C+ minimum; CHEM 11 (or Chem 0500)
3. 6 credits of 1 <sup>st</sup> year Chemistry (with labs) <b>CHEM 1500</b>  <b>CHEM 1510 or CHEM 1520</b>	CHEM 11 (or CHEM 0500) or Chem 12 (CHEM 0600); Principles of Math 12 (or Math 0600/0610); CHEM 1500 (C-); Chem 11 (or CHEM 0500) CHEM 1510 (C-); Chem 12 (or CHEM 0600) B grade
4. 6 credits of 1 <sup>st</sup> year Psychology <b>PSYC 1110/1210</b>	None
5. 3 credits of Statistics <b>STAT 1200</b>	Principles of Math 11 or MATH 0500/0510, C grade minimum
6. 3 credit Elective <b>Elective</b> (any university transferable course)	

Note: UFV applicants can reference the UFV Course Equivalency Guide of acceptable courses available online at: <http://www.ufv.ca/health/Programs/dentalhygiene/FAQ.htm>

**In addition to the educational requirements**, there are a number of general requirements that must be satisfied prior to applying for admission; therefore, students should consult the appropriate institution website and online calendar for this information.

**Note: This is to be used as a guideline for students planning on transferring to Dental Hygiene programs. Due to changes that can occur at any post-secondary institution, it is the student’s responsibility to check that courses selected meet the requirements of the institution they plan on attending.**

**Dental Hygiene is a two-year diploma program offered at the following institutions in British Columbia:**

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**Camosun College**

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Phone: (250) 370-3190  
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<http://camosun.ca/learn/programs/dhyg/>  
email: [hhsinfo@camosun.bc.ca](mailto:hhsinfo@camosun.bc.ca)

**College of New Caledonia**

Office of Admissions, Registration & Records  
3330 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Prince George, BC V2N 1P8  
Program Coordinator: Wendy King

Phone: (250) 562-2131 ext. 5378  
Contact: Linda Terry, Admissions Officer  
email: [terry@cnc.bc.ca](mailto:terry@cnc.bc.ca)  
Phone: 1-800-371-8111 ext. 5613  
Contact: Wendy King, Program Coordinator  
email: [king@cnc.bc.ca](mailto:king@cnc.bc.ca)

[www.cnc.bc.ca/CNC\\_Programs/Dental\\_Hygiene.htm](http://www.cnc.bc.ca/CNC_Programs/Dental_Hygiene.htm)

**Vancouver Island University**

Admissions Office  
900 Fifth Street  
Nanaimo, BC V9R 5S5  
Program Chair: Monica Soth

Phone: (250)753-3245 ext. 2291  
Contact: Lorna Millard, Academic Advising  
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Phone: (250) 740-6397 ext. 9397  
Contact: Monica Soth, Program Chair  
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[www.viu.ca/calendar/Health/dentalhygiene.asp](http://www.viu.ca/calendar/Health/dentalhygiene.asp)  
and  
[www.viu.ca/hhs/dentalhygiene/index.asp](http://www.viu.ca/hhs/dentalhygiene/index.asp)

**University of the Fraser Valley\***

Admissions and Registration  
Chilliwack Campus  
45635 Yale Road  
Chilliwack, BC V2P 6T4  
Program Coordinator: Stephanie Kelly  
**\*Admits students every second year:  
2012, 2014, 2016, etc.**

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[www.ufv.ca/health/Programs/dentalhygiene.html](http://www.ufv.ca/health/Programs/dentalhygiene.html)

**Vancouver Community College**

C/O Admissions Department  
Downtown Campus  
250 West Pender Street  
Vancouver, BC V6B 1S9  
Academic Advising: Angela Abbinante

Phone: (604) 443-8453 (General Number)  
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[www.vcc.ca/programs](http://www.vcc.ca/programs)  
Application packages available at:  
[www.vcc.ca/deptuploads/dentalhygiene.pdf](http://www.vcc.ca/deptuploads/dentalhygiene.pdf)

**UBC – Bachelor of Dental Science in Dental Hygiene (BDSc)**

Students may enter this degree program directly from High School or after graduating from a Dental Hygiene Diploma Program. Students must confirm acceptance directly with UBC. Email: [dhygadm@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:dhygadm@interchange.ubc.ca) or Telephone: (604) 822-9726. Website: [www.dentistry.ubc.ca/academic\\_programs/hygiene/](http://www.dentistry.ubc.ca/academic_programs/hygiene/)

Students laddering into a BDSc degree after completion of a Dental Hygiene Diploma need to check with the receiving institution for transferability of pre-requisites.

For more information, contact UBC directly at: [www.dentistry.ubc.ca/academic\\_programs/hygiene/](http://www.dentistry.ubc.ca/academic_programs/hygiene/)

College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia – for more information, contact: 1-800-778-8277 or browse [www.cdhbc.com](http://www.cdhbc.com)