

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM (S124)

PROGRAM NAME	Dental Hygiene	TUITION	\$23,698.00 * †
COURSE CODE	S124	ADDITIONAL COST	
SCHOOL	School of Dental Health		
CENTRE	Health Sciences		
LOCATION	Waterfront Campus		
DURATION	6 semesters		
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING	All students will have the opportunity to be involved in various external practical field education experiences.		
STARTING MONTH	September		
CREDENTIAL	Ontario College Advanced Diploma		
YEAR OF STUDY	2018-2019		
METHOD OF STUDY	FT		
APPLY TO	Ontario Colleges ¹		

The **Dental Hygiene program** prepares students to practice as **primary oral health-care providers**.

The program focuses on applying the dental hygiene process of care while **developing interprofessionalism, client-centred care and interpersonal communication skills**. Students have the opportunity to gain confidence in their learned skills while working with clients in our on-site WAVE Dental Clinic².

Emphasis is placed on preparing students to function effectively within a **collaborative dental team** that includes:

- the client
- the community
- other health-care providers

Students and clients collaboratively evaluate care provided by delineating short-term and long-term goals and employing strategies for continued care.

The Dental Hygiene program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to write the **National Dental Hygiene Certification Examination**. (Note: Additional fees apply.) Successful completion is one of the requirements for registration by the **College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario** to practice in the province. See cdho.org³ (A Guide to the Process of Being Registered as a Dental Hygienist in Ontario) for further information.

TUITION

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ADDITIONAL COST

* Amounts listed are the total of tuition, materials, student service and ancillary fees for the **three** semesters of programs starting in fall **2017**. Fees are subject to change for programs starting in fall 2018 and at later dates.

† There will be additional costs to the program in each year of study, including textbooks, appropriate laboratory/clinical attire and personal protective equipment. There is a refundable rental fee charged to the student for some equipment on loan to the student.

This program does not accept International students.



PART TIME STUDY OPTIONS

Please note this program does not have a part time study option.

Dental Hygienists who are registered in the province of Ontario and wish to take further part-time studies may visit the Continuing Education Course Guide at coned.georgebrown.ca.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

All students will have the opportunity to be involved in various external practical field education experiences.

YOUR FIELD STUDY OPTIONS

This program offers a **field experience component** that provides students with the opportunity to participate in various health-care settings in the community. These include:

- Toronto Public Health
- teaching hospitals
- community health centres

PROGRAM STANDARDS AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

1. Practice in a professional and competent manner within the defined scope of practice and consistent with current regulations and standards of practice.
2. Evaluate clients' oral health status using determinants of health and risk analysis to identify needs, justify treatment decisions and provide appropriate referrals to other health care professionals as required.
3. Design, implement and evaluate a range of primary, interceptive, therapeutic, preventative, and on-going oral health care services to meet the unique needs of clients.
4. Analyze oral health issues in need of advocacy, identify networks and promote actions that will support change and facilitate access to care.
5. Identify, select, implement and evaluate quality assurance standards and protocols which contribute to a safe and effective working environment.
6. Establish and maintain professional and inter-professional relationships which contribute to client care safety and positive health care outcomes.
7. Facilitate the development of specific oral health attitudes, knowledge, skills, and behaviours in clients by selecting and utilizing principles of teaching and learning.
8. Develop and present a model for a DH practice that addresses relevant business principles, current legislation and standards of practice.

REQUIRED COURSES

SEMESTER 1

Code	Course Name
ANAT1058	Head/Neck Anatomy for Dental Hygiene
BIOL1024	Human Anatomy and Physiology I
BIOL1034	Microbiology and Infection Control
DENT1060	Dental Hygiene Principles I
DENT1062	Clinic I: Pre-Clinic (full year course)
DENT1126	Dental Radiography I for the Dental Hygienist
DENT1124	Introduction to the Profession of Dental Hygiene
GNED	General Education Elective
COMM1003	English Skills
	or
COMM1007	College English

SEMESTER 2

Code	Course Name
DENT1061	Dental Hygiene Principles II
DENT1062	Clinic I: Pre-Clinic (full year course)
DENT1127	Dental Radiography II for the Dental Hygienist
DENT1066	Dental Materials I
DENT1093	Dental Anatomy for Dental Hygiene
DENT1129	Oral Histology and Embryology
BIOL1044	Human Anatomy and Physiology II
GSSC 1053	Collaborative Health Care in Canada
COMM1007	College English (if required)

SEMESTER 3

Code	Course Name
DENT1119	Dental Materials – Specialties
DENT1069	Introduction to Periodontics
DENT1141	Introduction to Client Care
PHAR 1010	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology I
HLTH1016	Introduction to Community Health
NUTR1020	Nutritional Counselling for the Dental Hygienist

SEMESTER 4

Code	Course Name
DENT2031	Oral Pathology for the Dental Hygienist
DENT2021	Advanced Periodontics
DENT2017	Dental Hygiene Principles III
DENT2018	Clinic III: Client Care
DENT2060	Introduction to Research Methods, Statistics and Evidence Based Decision Making
HLTH2040	Health Promotion
PHAR2010	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology II
GSSC 1057	Life Span Development

SEMESTER 5

Code	Course Name
DENT2029	Community Field Practicum
DENT2019	Clinic IV: Advanced Client Care
DENT2045	Ethics and Jurisprudence
DENT2022	Orthodontics for the Dental Hygienist
DENT2046	Dental Hygiene Practice Management
DENT3030	Comprehensive Case Studies in Dental Hygiene
DENT 2049	Health Policy
GNED	General Education Elective

SEMESTER 6

Code	Course Name
DENT2047	Consolidation Clinic
DENT2050	Workplace Readiness

Please note that Dental Hygiene is a full-time program. Classes may be scheduled Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Detailed course outlines

ELECTIVES

* Additional electives need to be taken throughout the program.

YOUR CAREER

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Dental hygienists are members of a self-regulated health profession.

Dental hygiene practice settings include:

- clinical practice
- community health services
- hospitals
- teaching institutions
- collective living centres
- research
- the dental industry

FUTURE STUDY OPTIONS

Graduates who are an active registrant with the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario and have current clinical dental hygiene experience for at least one full year are eligible to apply to George Brown's Restorative Dental Hygiene program (S400).⁵ Students in this postgraduate program learn to perform restorative procedures to the restorative dental hygienist's full scope of practice.

For information on future study options, see georgebrown.ca/transferguide.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants are selected on the basis of their academic achievement, including the required courses, and any other selection criteria outlined below.

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent**
- Grade 12 English (C or U) - A grade of 70 or higher is required.
- Grade 11 Math (M or U) or Grade 12 (C or U) - A grade of 60 or higher is required.
- Grade 11 Biology (C or U) or Grade 12 (U) - A grade of 70 or higher is required.
- Grade 11 Chemistry or Physics (U) or Grade 12 Chemistry or Physics (C or U) - A grade of 60 or higher is required.

Please note: Mature applicants are eligible to test for English only.

Please note: Subject to competition, applicants may be required to have grades above the minimum stated.

** MATURE STUDENT STATUS (19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND NO OSSD)

Mature Students may take the Admissions Assessment for English⁶ OR may consider upgrading to achieve the credit (s) needed in English⁷, Math⁸ or Science⁹.

COURSE EXEMPTIONS

College or university credits may qualify you for course exemptions. Please visit georgebrown.ca/transferguide for more information.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT FOR S124

Pre-placement Health Form

- Upon confirmation of acceptance into this program, students must meet all the mandatory pre-placement health requirements for the program. It may take up to four months to complete all the requirements.
- All costs, service fees and fines associated with the overall health requirements are the responsibility of the student.
- For further details and to download the mandatory pre-placement health form, go to the Pre-placement website at georgebrown.ca/preplacement.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT FOR S124

Police Vulnerable Sector Check (must be valid annually)

- In compliance with the requirements of our onsite clinic and our placement partners, all students in this program are required to have a police vulnerable sector check completed, and this check must be renewed annually before entering into field or clinical placement.
- The police vulnerable sector check process typically takes two to three months, but under some circumstances can take four to eight months.

This is required to protect the clientele of our placement partner agencies, who are considered "vulnerable persons" under the law.

- Students are responsible for ensuring that the police vulnerable sector check covers appropriateness for "individuals being employed and/or volunteering who will be working with vulnerable person(s)."
- Students are required to keep the original copy of their police vulnerable sector check.
- Students who are unable to provide a "clear" police vulnerable sector check may not be able to start their field or clinical placement and therefore may be unable to complete the program. Students who are not eligible to attend their practice placement due to a "not clear" status will jeopardize their progress in the program.
- Failure to meet the requirements for field placement will prevent students from completing the program and/or securing employment.
- The fees for the police record check vary and must be paid by the student. For more information, please visit the Pre-placement website at georgebrown.ca/preplacement/record_check.

CONTACT US

Contact **Qian Yang** for program information at qyang@georgebrown.ca.

For more information about George Brown College, you may also call the Contact Centre at 416-415-2000 (TTY 1-877-515-5559) or long distance 1-800-265-2002.

LINKS REFERENCE

¹<https://collegeapply.ontariocolleges.ca/?collegeCode=GBTC&programCode=S124&lang=en>

²<http://www.georgebrown.ca/wave/dentalclinic/>

³<http://www.cdho.org/>

⁴<http://www.cdho.org/>

⁵<http://www.georgebrown.ca/programs/restorative-dental-hygiene-postgraduate-program-s400/>

⁶<http://www.georgebrown.ca/assessment/admi-pre/>

⁷<http://www.georgebrown.ca/upgrading-credits/english-diploma/>

⁸<http://www.georgebrown.ca/upgrading-credits/math-diploma/>

⁹<http://www.georgebrown.ca/upgrading-credits/sciences-diploma/>

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