Restorative Dental Hygiene is a two-semester program designed for experienced dental hygienists. Students will learn how to perform restorative procedures.

To qualify for this program, you must be an active registrant with the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario to practice dental hygiene and have at least one year of experience as a dental hygienist.

In compliance with the standards of practice approved by the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario, students will learn to:

- apply bonding systems and required liners
- place and finish composite and amalgam restorations
- take final impressions
- fabricate and cement provisional restorations
- cement and bond indirect restorations

Learning takes place in co-ordination with Dental Technology\(^2\), Denturism\(^3\) and Dental Assisting\(^4\) students.

Students practice various procedures on a manikin, after which they provide services in our on-site WAVE Dental Clinic\(^5\), performing restorative and cosmetic procedures on clients.

**PROGRAM STANDARDS AND LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

1. Research, evaluate and discuss currently available restorative dental materials and analyze information on materials and techniques.
2. Predict the histological effect of restorative dental materials through the analysis of their chemical properties.
3. Integrate the basics of growth, development, malocclusion and tooth movement into functional occlusion.
4. Determine, place and finish the appropriate materials for proposed restorations that best meet the needs of the client.
5. Perform accepted mercury hygiene procedures as required, having determined the advantages and disadvantages in relation to each client.
6. Analyze and integrate the relationship of coronal anatomy, functional occlusion, aesthetics and the protection of the periodontium to create an ideal restoration.
7. Compare dental materials and techniques to determine the appropriate materials for fabrication of indirect and provisional restorations.
8. Contribute to client and personal safety in all aspects of work in the dental environment.
9. Perform all clinical procedures within the current scope of practice of the Restorative Dental Hygienist collaborating with other health care professionals.
REQUIRED COURSES

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Detailed course outlines

YOUR CAREER

Graduates are employed as restorative dental hygienists in:

- private practice
- public health services
- hospitals
- the dental industry

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Active Registrant with the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario (CDHO).
- Minimum one year of dental hygiene clinical experience (verification of current employment required) and resume.
- Interview for qualified applicants only.

COURSE EXEMPTIONS

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

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR S400

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.

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.

“I’ve been in dental for 22 years and going back to school was one of the best decisions I have ever made. The Restorative Dental Hygiene program at George Brown College has been an amazing experience, with curriculum that incorporates all the skills needed to be successful in any dental practice. The instructors have been some of the best I’ve ever had. In the clinic they were both helpful and insightful in their constructive pointers on how to succeed by putting the theory learned in the classroom into practice when working on live patients. I feel privileged that I was able to partake in this course.”

Melanie Bianco (Graduate 2016, Restorative Dental Hygiene)

CONTACT US

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