The Bachelor of Science degree in Dental Hygiene is offered through the Division of Dental Hygiene in the School of Dentistry. The program consists of a minimum of one year of pre-professional coursework (most often two) followed by six consecutive semesters in the professional program. Requirements for application include at least a 2.8 cumulative grade point average (2.5 science GPA), and evidence of plans for completion of the prerequisite coursework before proposed year of entry.

All pre-professional courses must be taken A/F and must be a minimum of 3 credits

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<td><strong>Anatomy</strong> (select one)</td>
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<td><strong>General Biology</strong> Within 5 years of entry into program (select one) Lab required</td>
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<td><strong>Chemistry</strong> Within 5 years of entry into program (select one) Lab required</td>
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<td><strong>English Composition</strong>** AP credit is accepted</td>
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<td><strong>Liberal Education Requirements</strong> Students seeking bachelor's degrees also need to complete Liberal Education requirements. For specific information refer to the liberal education section in the Class Schedule or request a degree audit from your advising office.</td>
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*Chemistry and/or Biology grade must be on transcript submitted for application

**It is necessary that students complete English Composition, and either Psychology or Sociology, prior to application deadline so grade is on transcript submitted for application.

- Please use this planning sheet with your degree audit. Bring your planning sheet with you to your advising appointments.
- Care must be taken in scheduling courses; they may not be available every semester. The class schedule is available on the web at http://onestop.umn.edu/ Look under “Quick Links” for the class schedule.
- **Course requirements and prerequisites may change; please consult with an adviser on a regular basis.**
- This document is available in alternate formats upon request.
- It is preferred that the majority of UMTC (liberal education) requirements be completed prior to entering the program. However, there may be room for 1-2 liberal education requirements in dental hygiene curriculum.
The following courses may be taken prior to admission to the professional program:
(*if taken prior to admission, must be taken within 5 years of entry into program)

*Nutrition (FSCN 1112)
*Biochemistry (BioC 2011 or Bioc 3021)
*Liberal Education requirements (3 writing intensive courses, Technology/Society, and Diversity/Social Justice are covered in DH curriculum)

Application/Admission Information

• Application forms for the Dental Hygiene Program will become available on September 1st, 2013; and are due by January 11, 2014 (tentative).
  • **U of M Students** – “Application for undergraduate change of college;” available at OneStop:
    http://onestop.umn.edu/degree_planning/changing_college_or_major/index.html
    Also available at 333 STSS Building, 130 Coffey Hall or West Bank skyway,
  • **Non-U of M Students** – “Application for undergraduate admission (transfer from outside U of M);” available at onestop: onestop.umn.edu/forms/
    Also available at 240 Williamson Hall.

• Supplemental application and additional details regarding the application process are available on
  http://www.dentistry.umn.edu/programs_admissions/dental_hygiene_division/BS_Dental_Hygiene/home.html

• Applicants must submit transcripts of all high school and college coursework completed.

• It is required that all high school preparation requirements be completed prior to entry into the professional program.

• An ACT (or SAT) test score is required for all applicants unless a Baccalaureate Degree has been completed.

• Applicants must have a C or better in all prerequisite courses and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8. Applicants
  must have a 2.5 cumulative Science GPA and a dental hygiene pre-requisite GPA of 2.5.

• Non-native English speakers must submit internet-based TOEFL scores as well (minimum score – 94
  TOEFL® iBT).

• Approximately 24 students are admitted to the program annually for fall semester. Admission is based on grades and
  the written application.

• Admitted students must successfully complete a criminal background check to comply with the Vulnerable Adults

• For more information, students can call the School of Dentistry Office of Admissions and Diversity at (612) 625-
  7477. There are also Group Advising Sessions for applicants interested in the Dental Hygiene Program. You can
  view the schedule online, and sign up for a session online at www.healthcareers.umn.edu.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Qualified applicants are evaluated and ranked based on the following:

• **Primary Factors**: Grade point averages, ACT/SAT Composite Score (if applicable), TOEFL (if applicable),
  challenging pattern of course work, consistent level of performance or pattern of steady improvement, course
  work in related field.

• **Secondary Factors**: Evidence of personal achievement/aptitude or personal accomplishment not related to
  academic record, evidence of overcoming extenuating circumstances, presence of diversity factors.

• **Additional criteria are listed on the web site, see below.** These include a criminal background check, CPR
  certification, immunizations, and English proficiency.

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