

Bachelor of Science - Dental Hygiene Specialization 2019-2020 Admission Requirements

Program Details: The Dental Hygiene Program provides an education that is highly responsive, scientific and professional, in a learning environment that is dynamic and student-centered. Small-group and case-based learning is used to foster an environment that encourages collaboration with peers and faculty.

Quota: A maximum of 40 Students will be admitted. Of the 40 seats in the program 85% are reserved for Alberta residents, 5% for international students and 10% for other Canadians. No non-resident of Alberta may be admitted who is less qualified than any Alberta resident who is denied admission. Besides the regular quota positions, additional position(s) per year are available in the Dental Hygiene program for a qualified student of Aboriginal identity.

Minimum Standards: In order to be competitive, applicants should strive for a GPA of 3.0. Students with a GPA of less than 2.7 will not be considered.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Admission Requirements:

I. Prerequisite Courses:

At least 1 year of transferable, post-secondary, full-time study required (\star 30, of which \star 24 must be taken full-time in one Fall/Winter. The required U of A courses must include:

- English (★6)
- Organic Chemistry (★3)
- General Chemistry (★3)
- BIOL 107 or equivalent (★ 3)
- Sociology (★3)
- Psychology (★3)
- Statistics (★3)
- Options from any Faculty (★6)
- II. Other Requirements:
 - 1. English Language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including Spoken English language proficiency.
 - 2. Personal Interview
 - 3. Police Information Check (PIC)
 - 4. Medical Testing and Immunization
 - 5. Proof of Residency Status may be required
- III. Selection Process:
 - 1. Interview Process: A personal interview is required of all competitive applicants annually. Interview selection is based on interim transcripts and postsecondary academic record. Competitive applicants will be interviewed to determine if they have the personal qualities necessary for the profession. Applicants who fail to



submit the required documents by February 1 cannot be evaluated for interview selection. The interview evaluates an applicant's maturity, motivation, initiative, ability to communicate, personal qualities and interests.

- 2. Admissions Formula:
 - a. Overall GPA (OGPA) (80% of total rank score) is comprised of all transferable postsecondary work completed as a full-time student taken during Fall/Winter or Spring/Summer Terms. For OGPA calculation full-time study is equivalent to a minimum of ★ 18 taken during Fall/Winter Terms or ★ 12 taken during Spring/Summer Terms. *For applicants who have completed four or more years of full-time transferable postsecondary work, the Overall GPA is calculated with the deletion of the lowest Fall/Winter GPA, provided it is not the most recent Fall/Winter or the only Fall/Winter where ★ 24 was taken.
 - b. Personal interview and interview score (20% of overall rank score).

Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):

- English Language Arts 30-1
- Mathematics 30-1
- Chemistry 30
- Biology 30
- One of the following: Social Studies 30-1, Physics 30, Science 30, Math 31 or a Language other than English at the 30 level.

Deadlines:

Application Deadline: November 1 Document Deadlines: February 1