

Applicants to the Dental Hygiene Diploma Programs must complete one full year of university coursework (**30 credits**) prior to applying for admission.

Please be aware that the number of applicants to Dental Hygiene often exceeds the total number of available spaces. Therefore, the recommendation is that **students have a second academic/career goal** in mind.

Program requirements are subject to change annually:

- Students must review up-to-date program information within each institution's calendar and Dental Hygiene website, to confirm the application process, course requirements, volunteer or paid experience, and any additional requirements needed to be admitted.
- Potential applicants should note the **competitive** GPA recommended at each institution for admission and be aware that the minimum grade at each institution may differ.
- Course transfers should be checked using the online transfer guide at <https://www.bctransferguide.ca/> for BC applicants and sent to each institution by their stated deadlines.

The following TRU courses are recommended for application:

Required Dental Hygiene Courses (30 credits)	TRU Courses	Prerequisites/co-requisites
First-Year English (6 credits)	Two of: ENGL 1100, 1110, 1120, 1140, 1210 <b>Camosun College:</b> ENGL 1100 <b>and</b> One of: ENGL 1110, 2010, 2020 <b>Vancouver Island University:</b> ENGL 1100 <b>and</b> One of: ENGL 1110, 1210	English Studies 12 or English First Peoples 12 (73%) <b>or</b> ENGL 0600 (C+) <b>or</b> ENGL 0620 (C+)
Anatomy and Physiology (with labs) (6 credits)	BIOL 1592 & 1594 <b>AND</b> BIOL 1692 & 1694	Anatomy & Physiology 12 <b>or</b> Biology 12 <b>or</b> BIOL 0600 with a C+ minimum <b>AND</b> Chemistry 11 <b>or</b> CHEM 0500
First-year Chemistry (with labs) (6 credits)	CHEM 1500 & 1510 <b>or</b> CHEM 1500 & 1520	Chemistry 11 <b>or</b> CHEM 0500 <b>or</b> Chemistry 12 <b>or</b> CHEM 0600 <b>AND</b> Pre-Calculus 12 <b>or</b> MATH 0600 & 0610 <b>or</b> 0630 <b>or</b> 1000; If you have completed Chemistry 12 with a B grade or higher, choose CHEM 1500 & 1520.
First-year Psychology (6 credits)	PSYC 1110 <b>AND</b> 1210	None
Statistics (3 credits)	STAT 1200	Foundations of Math 11 <b>or</b> Pre-Calculus 11 <b>or</b> MATH 0520 <b>or</b> MATH 0510
Elective (3 credits)		Check each course you are considering for your elective to ensure you meet the prerequisite(s), if any required

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

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

### **Camosun College**

Lansdowne Campus  
3100 Foul Bay Road  
Victoria, BC V8P 5J2

Phone: (250) 370-3161

Email: [hhsinfo@camosun.ca](mailto:hhsinfo@camosun.ca)

Website: <http://camosun.ca/learn/programs/dental-hygiene/>

### **College of New Caledonia**

Office of Admissions, Registration & Records  
3330 – 22nd Avenue  
Prince George, BC V2N 1P8

Phone: (250) 562-2131

Email: [registrarsoffice@cnc.bc.ca](mailto:registrarsoffice@cnc.bc.ca)

Website: <https://cnc.bc.ca/programs-courses/programs/detail/dental-hygiene-diploma>

### **Vancouver Island University**

Nanaimo Campus  
Admissions Office  
900 Fifth Street  
Nanaimo, BC V9R 5S5

Phone: (250) 740-6254

Email: [Deanna.Mackay@viu.ca](mailto:Deanna.Mackay@viu.ca)

Website: <https://hhs.viu.ca/dental-hygiene>

### **Vancouver Community College**

Downtown Campus  
250 West Pender Street  
Vancouver, BC V6B 1S9

Phone: (604) 871-7000, option 2 (Academic Advising)

Email: [advisingservices@vcc.ca](mailto:advisingservices@vcc.ca)

Website: <https://www.vcc.ca/programs/dental-hygiene/>

After completing your 30 credits of prerequisites and Dental Hygiene Diploma, you may consider:

**TRU – Bachelor of Health Science**

<https://www.tru.ca/distance/programs/health-science/bachelor-health-science.html>

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

**Admission Option 1:** Degree Completion Category 1 (4<sup>th</sup> year entry) – After completion of 30 credits of specified university transferable courses and a dental hygiene diploma/certificate from an accredited North American dental hygiene diploma (min. 90 credits)

**Dental Hygiene Degree Program – Admissions**

UBC Faculty of Dentistry  
278 - 2199 Wesbrook Mall  
Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z3

Phone: (604) 822-9726

Website: <https://www.dentistry.ubc.ca/dental-hygiene-entry-to-practice/general-info/>

For more information about registration as a dental hygienist in British Columbia:

**College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia**

Suite 300, 388 Harbour Rd  
Victoria, BC V9A 3S1

Phone: 1-800-778-8277

Email: [cdhbc@cdhbc.com](mailto:cdhbc@cdhbc.com)

Website: <http://www.cdhbc.com/>

### **NOTE**

This form is to be used as a guideline for students planning to transfer 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(s) where they plan to complete the Dental Hygiene diploma.