

# Program Information

# DENTAL HYGIENE



San Diego, CA

## Program Overview

Dental Hygienists are licensed, professional oral clinicians and dental health educators who prevent and treat oral disease, promote and encourage preventive aspects of dental care, and assume responsibility for patient care in the dental office. They provide a variety of services to patients, including comprehensive examination of the oral cavity, radiographs, prophylaxis, fluoride treatments, patient education, and preventive services. They are required to pass written and clinical examinations before they apply for licensure to practice. Dental Hygienists are integral members of the dental team who use their dental, clinical, and social sciences to aid individuals in achieving optimum oral health. Besides working in a private dental practice, Dental Hygienists also work as educators, administrators, and researchers.

## Program Objectives

The mission is to provide a supportive learning environment in which the student acquires theoretical knowledge, technical skills, and professional attributes necessary to qualify for licensure as a Registered Dental Hygienist and entry-level employment as a Dental Hygienist. The program strives to instill the importance of personal growth, professional commitment, community involvement, and continued research. Graduates will be eligible to sit for the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination. Registration and certification requirements for taking and passing these examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

## Course List

BIOL1411	Anatomy & Physiology I with Wet Lab	DHCA2301	Pharmacology
BIOL1421	Anatomy & Physiology II with Wet Lab	DH207	Dental Hygiene Seminar
BIOL1431	Microbiology with Wet Lab	DH209	Nutrition
CHEM1411	General and Inorganic Chemistry with Wet Lab	DH224	Dental Public Health
CHEM1421	Organic and Biochemistry with Wet Lab	DH226	Dental Law/Ethics
COMM1310*	Elements of Human Communication	DHCA1307	General and Maxillofacial Pathology
ENGL1310*	English Composition I	DHCA2503	Dental Hygiene III
MATH1320*	College Algebra	DH260	Cultural Diversity
PSYC1310*	General Psychology	DHCA2604	Dental Hygiene IV
SOCI1310*	Introduction to Sociology	DHCA2505	Dental Hygiene V
DH104	Dental Materials	DH277	Board Review
DH110	Oral Embryology & Histology	DCHA1411	Pre-Clinic I
DHCA1101	Medical and Dental Emergencies	DHCA1203	Dental Anatomy/Tooth Morphology
DH130	Dental Office Management	DHCA1405	Pre-Clinic II
DHCA1401	Dental Radiography	DHCA1208	Head & Neck Anatomy
DH140	Dental Hygiene Process of Care		
DHCA2502	Dental Hygiene II		
DH203	Periodontology		

*\*These courses are offered online*

For course descriptions, a breakdown of credit hours and other program-specific information, please review the Campus Catalog on [concorde.edu](http://concorde.edu). To learn about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed programs, and other important information, visit [concorde.edu/disclosures](http://concorde.edu/disclosures).