

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM APPLICANTS

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Dental Hygiene Program. The Sacramento City College Dental Hygiene Program accepts 24 applicants every spring to start in the fall semester. The Dental Hygiene Program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. It is an intense program requiring a full-time commitment.

Dental hygiene employment and education places the students at potential risk for blood borne and other infectious diseases, aerosols, ionizing radiation, chemicals, and other potentially hazardous materials. Safety precautions, policies and educational orientations minimize these risks. Additionally, students are required to observe safety/preventive protocols, have immunizations, and other requirements in place prior to participating in the program.

Students will be treating patients from diverse backgrounds. Dental hygiene students treat all patients with respect, courtesy, and universal safety precautions. Course material will include bioethical topics and other culturally and politically sensitive information.

All students are expected to treat fellow students, faculty, patients, and staff with courtesy and respect. Students will be expected to comply with professional behavior and personal hygiene standards.

The following is a preliminary list of some of the requirements for new students entering the Dental Hygiene Program. A detailed checklist will be supplied to each student who is accepted into the Dental Hygiene Program; these requirements must be completed prior to starting.

PRELIMINARY CHECK LIST:

Cashier's check for deposit \$2750 by end of May **

Cashier's check for \$2750 balance by early June **

Register for Dental Hygiene Program classes; once accepted into program by random lottery

Official Transcripts sent to Admission and Records Office

\$ Pay registration fees (\$ per unit each semester) **

\$150-300 to purchase books each semester **

Physical Examination by early June

Malpractice Insurance \$20 by early June **

\$103.00 fee/Background Check **

Current CPR Healthcare Provider card including AED by start of fall semester

\$ To purchase scrubs/uniforms **

\$ To purchase magnification glasses and lights (\$900 to \$1300) **

Hepatitis B/Adult Pertussis-Whooping Cough vaccines and TB skin test

\$90 for Student American and California Dental Hygienists' Association yearly dues **

Allied Health Essentials Functions Form-signed

Agreement to Participate and Waiver/Assumption Of Risk Form-signed

Patient Privacy Policy Form-signed

SNAHC Volunteer Form-filled out and signed

**** Program costs listed above are subject to change without notice.**

Please contact the Dental Health Department for cost updates; 916-558-2303.