



Sheridan College

Northern Wyoming Community College District

Dental Hygiene Department

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Dental Hygiene Program General Information

The dental hygienist is a preventive oral care professional who is licensed to provide educational, clinical, and therapeutic dental hygiene services to the public. Full-time, part-time, evening, and weekend work is widely available. Earnings vary by geographic location, employment settings, and years of experience. Dental hygienists have the opportunity to work in a variety of settings including private dental offices, dental clinics, federal, state, or local health departments, hospitals, nursing homes, school districts, correctional facilities, private industry, or as educators, researchers, and administrators. The variety of career opportunities and the possibility of flexible hours and schedules make dental hygiene an attractive career choice.

The following links will provide more information concerning dental hygiene as a career, general educational preparation, and the expected salary for dental hygienists:

American Dental Hygienists' Association: <https://www.adha.org/professional-roles>

American Dental Association: <http://www.ada.org>

US Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Dental Hygienists: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/dental-hygienists.htm>

Dental jobs: <http://dentaljobs.net>

Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program offers an Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS) with the option of completing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene (BSDH) through the University of Wyoming. This BS option is unique to Sheridan College and provides additional career options upon graduation. Graduates are eligible to take national, regional, and/or state examinations. Applicants are encouraged to contact the State Board of Dentistry in the states in which they wish to practice for individual licensing requirements.

The Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. CODA, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Phone #: 312-440-4653.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL NWCCD STUDENTS

Campus Safety/Cleary Act Disclosure

NWCCD is committed to maintaining a safe and secure campus environment. As a part of ongoing safety efforts, NWCCD publishes an annual report that discloses crime statistics on and around our campuses. A direct link to the most recent Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is provided here: https://www.sheridan.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/ASFSR-2022-for-2021_Final.pdf

If you wish to obtain a hard copy of this report, please contact the Office of Risk Management at 307-675-0812 or by emailing jclements@sheridan.edu.

The following link will lead you to the NWCCD Campus Safety page where you can find NWCCD's Campus Rules and Regulations and the Campus Safety Plan.

<https://www.sheridan.edu/student-life/campus-safety/>

Equal Opportunity: Non-Discrimination Clause

Northern Wyoming Community College District prohibits discrimination in employment, educational programs and activities on the basis of race, national origin, color, creed, religion, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other class protected under state and federal law. The District also affirms its commitment to providing equal opportunities and equal access to its facilities. Inquiries concerning Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, Section 504, and the Americans with Disabilities Act may be referred to the Assistant Vice President for Human Resources, Jennifer McArthur, NWCCD's Title IX and Section 504 Coordinator, Sheridan College, Griffith Memorial Building, Room 141D, 1 Whitney Way, Sheridan, WY 82801; 307-675-0505. Inquiries also may be made to the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Federal Building, Suite 310, 1244 Speer Boulevard, Denver, CO 80204-3582; 303-844-3417; or TDD 303-844-3417.

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM MISSION

Sheridan College graduates will be competent dental hygienists who uphold professional and ethical standards through critical-thinking, evidence-based decision making. They will demonstrate empathy and compassion when providing care to diverse populations and strive to be effective team members. They will be conscientious, life-long learners who actively participate in their communities and the dental hygiene profession.

STUDENT COMMITMENT

Due to the demands of the full-time dental hygiene program, student employment is not encouraged. This personal decision should be based on individual performance in the classroom, clinical sites, and personal health. It is the desire of the dental hygiene faculty that students be successful in the program and that essential learning is not compromised. Students will not be excused from class or clinical assignments for personal work schedules.

Clinical, laboratory, and program activities in the SC clinic and other external sites may be scheduled as early as 7 am or as late as 10 pm and may be on any day of the week. Students are required to participate in these activities as scheduled. Childcare arrangements, work schedules, and transportation are the students' responsibility.

Classroom, laboratory, and service-learning attendance are expected. Accountability for knowledge and assignments is the student's responsibility. Failure to comply with attendance or assignments may interfere with progression in the program and could result in dismissal from the program.

Dental hygienists must possess clinical skills. This skill development takes time and practice. Students are given clinic time to develop these skills and must see a sufficient number of patients for skill development to occur. The clinic provides a small number of patients to the student, but a majority of patient appointments are scheduled by the student. This can be a time-consuming process, so expect to spend some hours per week looking for and scheduling the patients needed to develop specific skills.

The dental hygiene profession from its inception has been built on a foundation of prevention. As dental hygiene professionals, we must advocate for disease prevention and public health. Prevention includes vaccinations, sealants, and fluoride therapies. The expectation of the Dental Hygiene Program is that students will participate in all learning activities including promoting prevention.

PROGRESSION IN THE PROGRAM

To progress in the dental hygiene program, the student must:

1. Maintain a minimum grade of "C" in each required dental hygiene course.
2. Maintain acceptable background checks/drug screens and certifications.
3. Meet attendance requirements in clinical, lab, and program activities.

To be considered for graduation, all students must demonstrate competency in all facets of the dental hygiene curriculum as set forth by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE STUDENTS IN THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

The following is used as a guideline for the prospective students so that they may understand the physical requirements and essential job functions necessary for successful completion of the Dental Hygiene Program. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive, but rather a detail of the basic demands of the profession of dental hygiene.

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Understand the importance of and be able to wear the appropriate personal protective equipment required to work safely (scrub top, scrub pants, closed-toed shoes, gloves, masks, gowns, etc.).2. Sit, stand and/or bend for extended periods of time in one location with minimal or no breaks.3. Bend, twist, and lift a minimum of 20 pounds.4. Demonstrate sufficient visual ability to instrument and provide anesthesia in the oral cavity with or without corrective lenses and while wearing protective eyewear.5. Demonstrate sufficient peripheral vision to function in the clinical setting.6. Demonstrate sufficient ability to communicate with patients, staff, and instructors while wearing dental masks during clinical treatment with or without accommodations.7. Detect odors sufficient to maintain environmental safety and patient needs.8. Manipulate small instruments, supplies, and equipment with efficiency, dexterity, and exceptional eye-hand coordination.9. Tolerate the sight/smell of blood and body fluids.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">10. Assist with and/or lift, move, position, and manipulate with or without assistive devices, the non-ambulatory patient.11. Fluently communicate and understand English both verbally and in writing. Bilingual abilities are a plus.12. Be free of reportable communicable diseases and chemical abuse.13. Function without allergic reaction in an environment with substantial latex and chemical exposure.14. Abide by clinical rotation policies and guidelines.15. Provide documentation of immunity set forth by current public health agency guidelines.16. Possess short and long-term memory sufficient to perform tasks such as, but not limited to patient assessment, clinical procedures, professional judgment, and performing anticipation skills in the clinical environment.17. Adhere to a schedule while working under pressure and demonstrate appropriate use of positive coping skills while under stress.18. Exhibit positive interpersonal communication skills in patient, staff, and faculty interactions.19. Make appropriate judgment decisions.
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ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

The dental hygiene education curriculum is scientifically oriented, rigorous, and intensive. Admissions criteria and procedures are necessary to ensure that the students selected have the potential for successful completion of the program. The following page contains the rubric for ranking applicants.

Students applying to the dental hygiene program must be at least 18 years old to apply to the program.* They must complete all the pre-requisite courses listed on the following page, by the end of the spring semester they apply to the program (Fall 2023 for February 2024 spring deadline). A maximum of two pre-requisite courses may be in progress in the spring semester that the student applies. Applications and all required materials (transcripts & observation hours) are due **February 15th** for the Fall Semester entry.

Pre-requisite courses must be completed with a “C” or better and applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 to apply for admission. Admission selection is based on cumulative GPA of the non- science pre-requisite courses and cumulative GPA of the science courses pre-requisite courses. All pre-req courses must be completed by the end of the **SPRING** semester in which the student applies. No **SUMMER** course grades are accepted for the summer following the student’s application!

Wyoming residents applying to the program will receive 1 preference point in the scoring (see rubric)

Class size is limited to 24 due to facility capacity. The 24 highest-ranking candidates are offered positions in the program. All other qualified applicants are placed on the Alternate List and may be offered a position in the class should an initially accepted candidate decline the position. (Being placed on the Alternate List does not guarantee admission.) Applicants must also complete 20 hours of observation of a dental hygienist in a dental facility (form provided). The observation hours may be waived if an applicant has dental assisting experience (waiver form provided).

*Updated Admissions Criteria as of June 1, 2023

	Pre-requisite Courses		
	Number	Course name	Credit Hours
Non-Science Courses	ENGL 1010	English Composition I (GenEd-BW) <i>Prerequisite: Reading Level 3 on placement exam.</i>	3
	ENGL 2030	Critical Reading and Writing (may substitute ENGL 2005 – Writing in Technology and the Sciences or approved AW 0000) <i>Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 English Composition I with a grade of "C" or better OR instructor consent.</i>	3
	MATH 1400	College Algebra (may substitute MATH 1000 Problem Solving - 3 credits) (GenEd- BM) <i>Prerequisite: MATH 0930 Intermediate Algebra with a grade of "C" or better OR Math Placement Level IV.</i>	3-4
	PSYC 1000	General Psychology (GenEd-CS) <i>Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in ENGL 1010 English Composition I, or instructor consent.</i>	4
	ANTH 1200	Intro to Cultural Anthropology (may substitute SOC 1000 Sociological Principles)	3
	COMM 2010	Public Speaking (may substitute COMM 1030 Interpersonal Communications) <i>Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 English Composition I with a grade of "C" or better.</i> <i>**May only be used to meet one pre-requisite category/may not be used for multiple requirements.</i>	3
	FCSC 1141	Principles of Nutrition	3
Science Courses	BIOL 1010	General Biology I <i>Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in MATH 1000 Problem Solving, MATH 0930 Intermediate Algebra or higher level math, or Math Placement Level IV. Then completion of or concurrent enrollment in ENGL 1010 English Composition I, or equivalent placement, or instructor consent.</i>	4
	CHEM 1000	Intro to Chemistry (may sub CHEM 1020 General Chemistry I or CHEM 1030 General Chemistry II) (GenEd-Sci of choice) <i>Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in MATH 0930 Intermediate Algebra or math placement at a higher level.</i>	4
	MOLB 2210*	General Microbiology (may substitute MOLB 2240 Medical Microbiology) (*must be 5 years current at time of application) <i>Prerequisite: BIOL 1010 General Biology I and CHEM 1000 Intro to Chemistry or CHEM 1020 General Chemistry I with a "C" or better or instructor consent.</i>	4
	ZOO 2010*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I (*must be 5 years current at time of application) <i>Prerequisite: One semester of college biology or chemistry or instructor consent.</i>	4
	ZOO 2020*	Human Anatomy and Physiology II (*must be 5 years current at time of application) <i>Prerequisite: ZOO 2010 Human Anatomy & Physiology I or instructor consent.</i>	4
	TOTAL PRE-REQUISITE CREDITS		
			42-43

Dental Hygiene Admissions Rubric

The non-science GPA and science GPA points are totaled together first, the Wyoming residency point is added, retake or withdraw points are deducted, and then the interview points are added for the total score.

Students that score the highest total points after the deductions will have a position in the top tier of applicants. The interview is only offered to the top tier of applicants and the points are added after the interviews are completed to get the overall point scores.

Example: Student with a Non-Science GPA of 3.50 and a Science GPA of 3.65 with 1 retake and 1 withdraw and a score of 15 points on the interview.

Non-Science Pre-req GPA (35%)		Value	Points
3.81-4.00	= 35 pts	29 X .35 =	<u>10.15</u>
3.61-3.80	= 32 pts		
3.41-3.60	= 29 pts		
3.21-3.40	= 26 pts		
3.01-3.20	= 23 pts		
2.75-3.00	= 20 pts		
2.74-0.00	= 0 pts		
Science Pre-req GPA (40%)		36 X .40 =	<u>14.40</u>
3.81-4.00	= 40 pts		
3.61-3.80	= 36 pts		
3.41-3.60	= 32 pts		
3.21-3.40	= 28 pts		
3.01-3.20	= 24 pts		
2.75-3.00	= 20 pts		
2.74-0.00	= 0 pts		
		<u>Sub-Total</u>	<u>24.55</u>
Wyoming resident preference point			<u>0</u>
Retake courses	-1 each	1 retake	<u>-1</u>
Withdraw courses	-1 each	1 withdraw	<u>-1</u>
		<u>Total Value Points (for top tier)</u>	<u>22.55</u>
Interview (rubric) (25%)			
5 questions each worth 0 - 5 pts each			
For a total of 0 - 25 pts			<u>15</u>
		Overall Point Score	<u>37.55</u>

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Pre-Admission Observation Form

Dental Health Care Practitioners:

To be admitted to the Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program, a student must observe a minimum of 20 hours of specified procedures with **two different hygienists** and a dentist. The completed forms must be submitted by **February 15** of the year of application to the program. (Copies may need to be made if two separate offices are involved.)

Students should present for observation with proper hygiene, grooming, and business casual attire: dress slacks, dress shirt, and closed-toe shoes. Students should not appear in clothing that exposes cleavage, midriff, or undergarments. You have the right to refuse the observation session if the student does not adhere to this dress code.

The faculty of the Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program would like to thank you and your staff for the consideration you have shown to this prospective student and we appreciate your comments. We believe prospective students will gain a better understanding of dentistry and dental hygiene practices through these observations.

Please answer the following questions and return the completed observation forms to:

Dental Hygiene Program

Sheridan College

1 Whitney Way

Sheridan, WY 82801

Email: dentalhygiene@sheridan.edu or fax: 307-675-0679

Office Name:		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:		
Student Name (print clearly):		
	YES	NO
Called to make an appointment		
Punctual		
Came to the office properly groomed/attired		
Displayed a professional demeanor		
Appeared interested in dental hygiene procedures		

Other Comments and impressions:

_____ Signature(s) of Dental Hygienist Observed	_____ Clearly Printed Name	_____ Date
_____ Signature(s) of Dental Hygienist Observed	_____ Clearly Printed Name	_____ Date
_____ Signature(s) of Dentist Observed	_____ Clearly Printed Name	_____ Date



DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM APPLICANT REQUIRED OBSERVATIONS

REQUIRED OBSERVATIONS (20 hours total)	SIGNATURE	DATE
Dental Hygienist Observations		
1. Adult prophylaxis appointment.		
2. Child prophylaxis appointment.		
3. Periodontal scaling/debridement for a periodontally compromised patient.		
4. Exposure of dental images (digital or traditional film).		
5. Administration of local anesthesia.		
6. Sealant application.		
7. Infection control procedures in a dental office. (Needs to include operatory set-up/breakdown and sterilizing instruments.)		
Dentist Observations		
8. Restorative amalgam or composite procedure.		
9. Tooth extraction by dentist.		
Clerical Observation		
10. Clerical office work. (Needs to include appointment scheduling, billing procedures, coding, etc.)		
Student Printed Name		
1st Hygienist Printed Name		
2nd Hygienist Printed Name		

I certify that this applicant has observed all of the above procedures and has completed 20 hours of observation in our office.

Dentist Signature

Date

***Note:** This observation form may be verified by a phone call from Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program. Thank you for your assistance!*



DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM DENTAL ASSISTING OBSERVATION WAIVER FORM

The Sheridan College Dental Hygiene program requires applicants to the program to observe dental hygienists and dentists performing particular services and procedures for 20 hours. The purpose of the observation requirement is to ensure that potential applicants understand the environment in which they will be working and to observe some of the more common procedures expected of a dental hygienist.

The dental hygiene program will waive this observation requirement for applicants who have worked as dental assistants. Please complete this form and mail, fax, or email it to the dental hygiene program by the **February 15** application deadline.

I _____ have worked as a dental assistant for
(print name)
_____ years/months. I understand the scope of dental hygiene
practice and wish to apply to the Sheridan College dental hygiene program.

Name of Practice/Dentist: _____

Office Contact information (address, phone, email) _____

Applicant signature and date: _____

Employer Signature and Date: _____

Fax to: 307-675-0679 or email to: dentalhygiene@sheridan.edu or mail to: Sheridan College
Dental Hygiene Program, 1 Whitney Way, Sheridan, WY 82801

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APPLICATION PROCESS

The dental hygiene program provides an online application for student convenience on the dental hygiene page at <https://www.sheridan.edu/academics/programs-a-z/dental-hygiene/>. All applications, transcripts, and forms must be completed by **February 15** to be considered for Fall Semester admittance to the dental hygiene program. All pre-req courses must be completed by the end of the spring semester that the student applies – **we do not wait for SUMMER course grades!**

Step 1. Apply to Sheridan College on the college webpage, www.sheridan.edu (if not a current Sheridan College student).

Step 2. Official transcripts from your high school and all colleges you have attended must be **received by** Sheridan College by the application deadline of **February 15**. Official transcripts can be requested and sent electronically through the National Student Clearinghouse at <https://studentclearinghouse.org>.

Step 3. Complete the dental hygiene program application form on the www.sheridan.edu website on the Dental Hygiene page using the gold “**Apply to Dental Hygiene Program**” button.

Step 4. Submit observation form or observation waiver form to the dental hygiene program by mail, fax, or email.

After February 15, the dental hygiene admissions committee meets to review applications. The top tier of applicants will be contacted to schedule an interview. These interviews are conducted via ZOOM or other such technology between February 15 and March 15. In late March, applicants are notified of their status. Following are the terms and definitions used by the Sheridan College dental hygiene department.

ACCEPTANCE: Applicant has completed all pre-requisites courses, all required forms and materials have been received by the department.

CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE: Applicant is currently enrolled in spring semester pre-requisite courses and anticipates successful completion. All transcripts up to spring semester have been received, and all other application materials have been received. Conditional acceptance automatically converts to ACCEPTANCE when final spring semester transcripts have been received and courses have been completed successfully.

ALTERNATE ACCEPTANCE: Applicant has completed or is in the process of completing all pre-requisite courses with anticipated successful completion and all other required forms have been received. The ranked score did not place the applicant in the top 24. Alternate candidates are informed of their rank on the list of alternates. If a candidate who is accepted declines the position in the class, the first alternate on the list will be contacted and offered acceptance. This process continues throughout the summer until the first day of fall semester.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ADMITTED STUDENTS

After admission and prior to entering the class in the fall semester, students are required to complete the following. A letter detailing these requirements is sent to admitted students in May.

CPR- Students are required to be certified in CPR by the American Heart Association at the Basic Life Support (BLS) level for healthcare providers before they begin their first fall semester. **All students will need to be certified for the entire two years of the program and through the month of May following graduation.**

Criminal Background check- Completed online through the University of Wyoming. A link will be provided to accepted students. Some misdemeanor and/or felony charges would prevent individuals from obtaining licensure. Background checks are completed to ensure potential students are eligible for licensure prior to starting school.

Eye Examination Report- the student will need to have an Eye Examination Report completed (form supplied after acceptance to the program) by an optometrist or physician who provides eye examinations.

Immunizations- As health professionals, dental hygienists and other dental team members are exposed to contagious diseases, and are therefore, at risk of becoming infected. The National Health Institute, the Centers for Disease Control, and the Department of Health and Human Services all strongly recommend that vaccinations be utilized by health professionals at high risk. Dentists and dental hygienists are near the top of the list of those persons more likely to contract certain diseases. The guidelines for immunizations are established in compliance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA). Dental hygiene students are required to have the following immunizations:

1. **MMR** (measles, mumps, rubella) - 2 in lifetime or current titer
2. **Hepatitis B Series** - must have started the series by program start date
3. **Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis or Tdap** - within last 10 years while in the program
4. **Tuberculosis (TB)** – One of the following must be completed within the past 12 months. We do accept the blood tests listed below in place of the skin testing.
 - Negative 2-step TB skin test (administered 1-3 weeks apart). 2-step TB test means you must have 2 separate tests that will take 4 trips to the provider.
 - OR
 - Negative QuantiFERON Gold blood test
 - OR
 - Negative IGRA blood test
5. **Varicella** (chicken pox) - Recommended
6. **Influenza*** – Flu shots become available shortly after the fall semester begins. Plan to get one each year you are in the program (required for outside clinical rotation sites)
7. **COVID-19*** - not mandatory for the program but highly encouraged (required for outside clinical rotation sites)

***Per outside rotation site policies, students must be vaccinated to attend**

Laptop computer- Admitted students are required to have a laptop computer for use during the school year. The minimum standards and recommendations include: wireless connection enabled, ability to access the learning management system online, and a minimum of four hours battery power. Charging stations are available in some classrooms. A home printer is highly recommended. Microsoft Office programs are used extensively in the program. Students must have Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook. **See Minimum System Requirements on the following page.**

NOTE: All students must comply with the network acceptable rules of use.

Orientation- The dental hygiene program schedules an orientation session prior to the beginning of fall semester, typically in the first half of August. In addition, students who are new to Sheridan College (i.e. completed their pre-requisites at a different college) will be required to complete an online orientation session.

Minimum System Requirements for Laptops
Students are required to have a laptop computer that meets the following
minimum specifications.
Updated 4/25/2023

Windows PC Requirements:

- Operating System: 64-bit Versions of Windows 10 and Windows 11 (Alternate versions of Windows 10 and Windows 11, such as Windows RT and Windows 10 and 11 S, are NOT supported at this time) (Only genuine versions of Windows Operating Systems are supported).
 - *If you are using a Microsoft Surface device, Windows 10 or 11 “S mode” is **not** compatible with Exemplify, only the standard Windows 10 and 11.*
- Versions of Windows 10 certified for use are 22H2 and Windows 11 21H2 and 22H2.
- It is recommended to take exams on the same OS version that you have recently completed a recent successful mock exam.
- The English (United States) Language Pack must be installed.
- ExamSoft does not support tablet devices other than Surface Pro as stated above.
- CPU Processor: Non-ARM processor supported by your operating system.
- RAM: 4GH of usable RAM or higher.
- Hard Drive: highest recommended for the operating system or 4GB of available space.
- USB port is required.
- For technical troubleshooting, account passwords, including BitLocker keys, may be required.
- Internet connection for download, registration, exam download, upload, and exam features.
- Exemplify cannot be run within virtual environments that require a persistent network connection during secure exams. This includes VMWare, Parallels, Citrix workspace, virtual disks, streamed images, etc.
- Screen Resolution must be 1280 x 768 or higher. Scaling should be set to 100%.
- Exemplify will not run on Chromebooks, Android, or Linux operating systems.
- Exemplify does not support touchscreen input devices on Windows laptops.

Mac Requirements:

- Big Sur, Monterey and Ventura.
- Server version of Mac OS X is not supported.
- It is recommended to take exams on the same OS version that you have recently completed a recent successful mock exam.
- Only genuine versions of Mac Operating Systems are supported.
- CPU: Intel, M1 or M2 processor. Devices using Apple’s M1 and Apple Rosetta 2 are supported.
- RAM: 4 GB or higher.
- Hard Drive: 4 GB or higher available space.
- USB port is required (Newer devices may require an adaptor).
- For technical troubleshooting, account passwords including device passwords may be required.
- Server version of Mac OS X is not supported.
- Exemplify is not compatible with virtual operating systems such as Microsoft’s Virtual Machine, Parallels, VMware, VMware Fusion, or any other virtual environments that require persistent network connections during secure exams.
- Internet connection for download, registration, exam download, upload, and exam features.
- Screen resolution must be 1280 x 768 or higher. Scaling should be set to 100%.

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Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Program Estimated Cost 2023-2024			
Description	Resident	WUE	Non-Resident
Sophomore (1st Year Students)			
Tuition & Fees	4,830	6,420	11,130
Program Fee (\$1500 per semester)	3,000	3,000	3,000
Exemplify Fee (per year)	157	157	157
Lexicomp Fee (per year)	29	29	29
Textbooks (Approximate cost for "new" books; Students may opt to buy "used" or to rent/on-line)	1,400	1,400	1,400
Instrument Kits (Students are not permitted to purchase instruments from other sources including former students)	3,800	3,800	3,800
Loupes (Purchase 1st Fall Semester from designated vendor - price determined by what option is chosen)	1,700	1,700	1,700
Laptop (estimate; see spec sheet attached; cost will vary per student)	500	500	500
Scrubs/Shoes	250	250	250
Radiology Badge Fee (per year)	135	135	135
Background Check	45	45	45
Eye Examination (within past 12 months)	175	175	175
Immunizations (see application packet)	30	30	30
CPR: BLS for Health Care Providers	69	69	69
N95 Mask Fit Testing (if needed)	100	100	100
Turning Point (clicker & license)	100	100	100
Fingerprinting (if required at rotations)	60	60	60
Drug Screening (if required at rotations)	50	50	50
1st Year Subtotal	16,430	18,020	22,730
Junior (2nd Year Students pay UW Tuition and are UW students)			
UW Tuition & Fees	7,418	9,908	23,198
Program Fee (\$1500 per semester)	3,000	3,000	3,000
Exemplify Fee (per year)	157	157	157
Lexicomp Fee (per year)	29	29	29
Radiology Badge Fee (per year)	135	135	135
LA Simulator Fee (per year)	88	88	88
Textbooks (Approximate cost for "new" books; Students may opt to buy "used" or to rent/on-line)	1,000	1,000	1,000
Instrument Kits (Students are not permitted to purchase instruments from other sources including former students)	4,500	4,500	4,500
Turning Point (clicker & license)	100	100	100
2nd Year Subtotal	16,427	18,917	32,207
Regional Exam & License Expenses (not part of the school, but required for licensure)			
CRDTS Regional Clinical Board Exam Fee	1,025	1,025	1,025
CRDTS Regional Clinical Board Exam Site Fee	100	100	100
NBDHE National Board Dental Hygiene Exam	565	565	565
WY State Law/License	150	150	150
Exam/License Subtotal	1,840	1,840	1,840
1st Year Subtotal	16,430	18,020	22,730
2nd Year Subtotal	16,427	18,917	32,207
Exam/License Subtotal	1,840	1,840	1,840
GRAND TOTAL for the DH Program and Exam/License Expenses	34,697	38,777	56,777

Updated 10/17/23

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM OF STUDY

AAS DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM CURRICULUM SEQUENCE:		
Fall Semester 1st Year		Cr Hrs
DHYG 2100	Dental Health Education	3
DHYG 2300	Preclinical Dental Hygiene	3
DHYG 2305	Clinical Dental Technology	1
DHYG 2405	Dental Anatomy	2
DHYG 2450	Oral Radiology	3
DHYG 2451	Oral Radiology Lab	1
DHYG 2470	Orientation to Dental Hygiene	3
TOTAL FALL SEMESTER		16
Spring Semester 1st Year		Cr Hrs
DHYG 2200	Pharmacology	2
DHYG 2210	Dental Embryology and Histology	2
DHYG 2350	Clinical Dental Hygiene I	3
DHYG 2400	Head, Neck and Oral Anatomy & Physiology	2
DHYG 2420	Clinical Seminar I	2
DHYG 2455	Dental Materials	2
DHYG 2456	Dental Materials Lab	1
TOTAL SPRING SEMESTER		14
Fall Semester 2nd Year		Cr Hrs
DHYG 3230	Clinical Seminar II	2
DHYG 3300	Clinical Dental Hygiene II	5
DHYG 3400	General and Oral Pathology	3
DHYG 3600	Ethics & Law in Dental Hygiene	2
DHYG 3750	Periodontology	3
DHYG 3770	Pain Management	2
DHYG 3775	Pain Management Lab	1
TOTAL FALL SEMESTER		18
Spring Semester 2nd Year		Cr Hrs
DHYG 3250	Clinical Seminar III	2
DHYG 3350	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	5
DHYG 3550	Community Dental Health	3
DHYG 3720	Office Practice	2
DHYG 3800	Board Review	1
POLS/HIST	US & WY Const. Requirement	3
TOTAL SPRING SEMESTER		16
TOTAL DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM		64

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