

BS Dent Hyg

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

Under Review | Fall 2023

Proposal Information

Status

Active

Workflow Status

In Progress

Faculty Senate Approval, Faculty Senate

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Waiting for Approval | Faculty Senate Approval

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Changes

- Program Description
- Requirements
- participants
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- Faculty email

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College

School of Medicine

Department

Dental Medicine

Campus

Main Campus

Effective Term and Year

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Proposed Effective Term and Year
Fall 2023

Existing
Proposed Effective Term and Year
Fall 2022

Justification

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Program Justification

This is a non-curriculum update, no changes are being made to program requirements. Updated Required Courses as one course was missing - DEHY 442 (Curriculum is the same as current catalog year - <https://catalog.unm.edu/catalogs/2022-2023/colleges/medicine/dental-medicine/undergraduate-program.html>). Brought over information from the current catalog for program information.

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Program Justification

updating program rules to match 22-23 catalog

Associated Forms

Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

Program Category and Level

Program Category	Program Level	Degree, Minor, or Certificate Name
Program	Undergraduate	Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene
New Graduate Program	Dual Degree	New Undergrad Degree/Certificate
No	No	No

Catalog Information

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Program Description

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (B.S.D.H.)

The Division of Dental Hygiene currently offers the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (B.S.D.H.) in two tracks:

1. B.S.D.H. degree program which includes one and one-half years of pre-professional entrance requirements and two and one-half years of professional curriculum requirements.
2. B.S.D.H. degree completion program (online) for students who have already completed an Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene.

Dental hygienists are licensed preventive oral health professionals who provide educational, clinical and therapeutic services in dental care. Career opportunities for hygienists are available in a variety of settings, including private dental practices, community dental health clinics, public schools, clinical and basic science research laboratories, state and federal health facilities and management positions. Licensure by national and state examination is required.

Students for the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree are accepted for matriculation only in the spring semester. Students may be accepted into the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Program for the fall, spring or summer sessions.

The Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree program follows a required three-semester pre-professional year in college with a five-semester curriculum, which begins each year during the spring semester. An additional short session is also included during the summer between the junior and senior years of the Dental Hygiene curriculum. Facilities limit each class to no more the 24 students. In addition to tuition, housing, books, and other usual school expenses, the Division of Dental Hygiene issue student instrument kits costing the student approximately \$4,000.00 Additional fees of approximately\$2,000.00 annually cover dental supplies, clinic and laboratory, uniforms, graduation fees and Student American Dental Hygienists' Association membership. Fees are subject to change on approval from the Chancellor for the UNM Health Science Center. Students are responsible for transportation fees to and from rotations at off campus sites.

The Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree completion program is a post-licensure degree completion program that expands the basic skills and knowledge acquired in an Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene degree program. This program is available to selected students who have received an Associate Degree or a Certificate in Dental Hygiene from a school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and a regional accreditation agency.

This program requires the successful completion of 12 credit hours of core 400-level upper-division courses and 12 to 24 credit hours of electives, with a total of at least 30 credit hours taken at the University of New Mexico. It offers an innovative, personalized curriculum that is designed to graduate dental hygienists with advanced skills.

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Program Description

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Admissions Requirements

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

1. Applications/Academic Credentials

- UNM Application: UNM Main Campus students presently enrolled in a degree-seeking status need not reapply to UNM. All others must submit an application for admission to UNM. Application forms and instructions are available from the UNM Office of Admissions. Branch campus students should apply for transfer to Main Campus.
- Application to the Division of Dental Hygiene: Forms are available through the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and must be submitted through the ADEA Dental Hygiene Centralized Application Service (DHCAS).
- Application fee, payable on the Division of Dental Hygiene website.
- Academic Credentials: Must be submitted with the ADEA DHCAS application.
- Official transcripts from all previous institutions of higher education.
- Official listing of courses in progress.

2. Admissibility to UNM as described in *Admissions* section of this Catalog.

3. Completion of pre-professional curriculum. Courses in progress and those to be completed by January of the year in which the application is made are considered. Proof of successful completion of these courses must be submitted to both the UNM Office of Admissions and the ADEA DHCAS at the end of each semester which they are taken. An official, final transcript must be forwarded to both the UNM Office of Admissions and the department as soon as it becomes available.

4. Minimum overall grade point average of 2.40 on a 4.0 scale is considered. Courses with grades of "CR/NC" (credit/no credit) are not considered for fulfillment of the requirements. All program prerequisite courses must be taken for a letter grade.

Deadline: Both applications (UNM and Dental Hygiene) and credentials are due no later than the last Friday in August.

Admission is for the Spring semester only. Those applicants who are provisionally selected are notified in December.

All applicants are notified of their admissions status. Selection is given to qualified persons regardless of their race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, qualified disability or military involvement. Equal opportunity for admission is given to all qualified applicants.

Advisement sessions are required and are available each month at the Division of Dental Hygiene. Visit the Division of Dental Hygiene website for information on monthly Required Advisement sessions.

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene - Degree Completion

1. Application to UNM.
2. Completion of a certificate or associate degree program in dental hygiene that has been accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and a regional accreditation agency, or a letter from the director of a CODA and regionally-accredited New Mexico community college program.
3. A satisfactory academic GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
4. Application to the B.S.D.H. degree completion program.
5. A copy of official transcripts of all prior college courses undertaken.
6. Application fee, payable on the Division of Dental Hygiene website.
7. A copy of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination score.
8. A copy of a current and active license in any state.
9. Interview with Program Director.

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Admissions Requirements

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Graduation Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of 12 credit hours of 400-level Dental Hygiene core courses.
2. Satisfactory completion of a minimum of 128 total credit hours including the above. Thirty of these credit hours must be completed at UNM, exclusive of extension courses. Fifteen of these credit hours must be completed after 92 credit hours have been earned.
3. At least a 2.00 GPA in all credit hours attempted at UNM and at least a 2.50 GPA in all dental hygiene courses.
4. Completion of all University General Education and U.S. and Global Diversity and Inclusion requirements*
5. Completed Notification of Intent to Graduate to be submitted to Division academic advisor during the semester prior to expected graduation date.
6. Unanimous recommendation for graduation by the full-time faculty of the Division.

An individual curriculum for each student is developed. This curriculum is designed to meet the needs of the practicing hygienist who wishes to enroll as a part-time student as well as the full-time continuing student.

*Refer to the *Undergraduate Program* section of this Catalog for information on courses that meet General Education curriculum and U.S. and Global Diversity and Inclusion requirements.

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Graduation Requirements

Program Information

Degree Type

Bachelor of Science

Degree/Certificate Type

Undergraduate

CIP Code ⓘ

CIP Title ⓘ

Professional Credential/Licensure Program Information

Licensure Information

Both Pre- and Post- licensure

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Professional credential or licensure description

Exams

Exams are taken upon successful completion of the program.

- Written Exam: National Dental Hygiene Board Examination (NBDHE)
- Clinical Exam: Commission on Dental Competency Assessments-Western Regional Examination Board (CDCA-WREB)
- Local Anesthesia Exams: Review Dental Hygiene Student Handbook for more information

Licensure

- Following successful completion of the program and written and clinical exams.

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Professional credential or licensure description

File Uploads

Proposal File Upload

Executive Summary Upload

Associate Provost Memo

Degree Information

Degree Hours

128

Minimum Major Hours

12

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Professional Accrediting Bodies

Commission on Dental Accreditation

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Professional Accrediting Bodies

Degree Requirements

Requirements

- Complete 1 of the following

Track I: Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

- Complete all of the following
 - Students who have not earned an Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene complete Track I.
 - Complete the following:
 - BIOL1140 - Biology for Health Sciences (3)
 - BIOL1140L - Biology for Health Sciences Lab (1)
 - BIOL2210 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3)
 - BIOL2210L - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory (1)
 - BIOL2225 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3)
 - BIOL2225L - Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory (1)
 - BIOL2305 - Microbiology for Health Sciences (4)
 - CHEM1120C - Introduction to Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory for Non-Majors (4)
 - CHEM2120 - Integrated Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry (4)
 - COMM2120 - Interpersonal Communication (3)
 - DEHY205 - Introduction to Dental Hygiene (2)
 - DEHY210 - Head and Neck Anatomy (2)
 - DEHY211 - Dental Anatomy (2)
 - DEHY250 - Gen Oral Hist and Embry (2)
 - DEHY301 - Clinical Dental Hygiene Lecture I (3)
 - DEHY302 - Clinical Dental Hygiene I (2)
 - DEHY303 - Clinical Dental Hygiene Lecture II (3)
 - DEHY304 - Clinical Dental Hygiene II (3)
 - DEHY312 - Dental Radiology-Lab (3)
 - DEHY320 - Dental Bio-Materials (2)
 - DEHY330 - Dental Health Education I (2)
 - DEHY335 - Dental Office Emergencies (2)
 - DEHY340 - General and Oral Pathology (3)
 - DEHY360 - Pharmacology for the Dental Hygienist (3)
 - DEHY370 - Special Care in Dental Hygiene (2)
 - DEHY400 - Current Issues in Dental Hygiene (3)
 - DEHY401 - Clinical Dental Hygiene Lecture III (2)
 - DEHY402 - Clinical Dental Hygiene III (3)
 - DEHY403 - Clinical Dental Hygiene Lecture IV (2)
 - DEHY404 - Clinical Dental Hygiene IV (4)
 - DEHY410 - Dental Hygiene Research Methodology (3)
 - DEHY422 - Dental Public Health I (3)
 - DEHY423 - Dental Public Health II (1)
 - DEHY470 - Periodontology I (3)
 - DEHY480 - Local Anesthesia and Pain Control (3)
 - ENGL1120 - Composition II (3)
 - MATH1350 - Introduction to Statistics (3)
 - NUTR2110 - Human Nutrition (3)
 - PSYC1110 - Introduction to Psychology (3)
 - SOCI1110 - Introduction to Sociology (3)
 - **DEHY442 - Principles of Practice (2)**
 - Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - DEHY440 - Extramural Experience (1 - 6)
 - Complete at least 1 of the following:

- ENGL1110 - Composition I (3)
- ENGL1110Y - Composition I: Stretch II (3)
- ENGL1110Z - Enhanced Composition (4)
- Earn at least 12 credits from the following types of courses:
General education. Students must take 3 credit hours per area from courses in General Education Areas: Arts & Design, Humanities, and Second Language. Students choose 3 additional credit hours from any General Education Area.

Track II: Post Associates

- Complete all of the following
 - Students who have earned an Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene complete Track II.
 - Complete the following:
 - DEHY400 - Current Issues in Dental Hygiene (3)
 - DEHY410 - Dental Hygiene Research Methodology (3)
 - DEHY441 - Dental Hygiene Business Principles (3)
 - DEHY443 - Dental Hygiene Teaching Strategies (3)
 - DEHY405 - Dental Hygiene Clinical Instruction (3)
 - DEHY415 - Advocacy and Leadership (3)
 - DEHY420 - Dental Hygiene Program Planning (3)
 - DEHY422 - Dental Public Health (3)
- Earn at least credits from the following types of courses:
General education. Students must complete all General Education and US & Global Diversity and Inclusion requirements.
- Dental Hygiene Electives include: DEHY 405 - DH Clinical Instruction; DEHY 415 - Advocacy and Leadership; DEHY 420 - DH Program Planning; DEHY 422 - Dental Public Health

Grand Total Credits: 12 - 129

Concentrations

Program Concentrations

Code

Title

Concentration Required

No

Emphases

Emphasis required ⓘ

N/A

Emphasis Hours

Emphasis Rules

No Rules

Sample Degree Plan

Sample Degree Plan Upload

Program Learning Outcomes

Learning Outcomes

NA