



LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

August 15, 2021 DEADLINE

ADMISSION INFORMATION AND PROCESS

For classes beginning January 2022

The dental hygienist is a preventive oral care professional licensed to provide educational, clinical, and therapeutic dental hygiene services to the public. Flexible scheduling is a distinctive feature of this job. Full-time, part-time, evening, and weekend work is widely available. Earnings vary by geographic location, employment settings, and years of experience.

Our unique, 16-month program combines academic study with supervised clinical experience. Graduates will receive an Associates of Applied Science degree and be eligible to take the appropriate national, regional, and/or state examinations. Applicants are encouraged to contact the State Boards of Dentistry in the states in which they wish to practice for individual licensing requirements and circumstances for licensure denial. The LCCC Dental Hygiene Program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States

Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at 312.440.4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

The Dental Hygiene Program is rigorous study of advanced science classes offered in an accelerated format.

General education and basic science courses are essential to prepare the student to succeed. Therefore, applicants are required to complete pre-dental hygiene course requirements. Each prerequisite course must be completed with a "C" or higher. Due to COVID19 pandemic any grades of a "Pass/Satisfactory" issued for Spring 2020 and Summer 2020 will be considered. If the option for a letter grade in these semesters is available, it is highly recommended. Completion of the prerequisite course work does not guarantee admission into the Dental Hygiene Program. Additionally, LCCC's academic skills assessment and placement policy apply.

APPLICATION TO THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

Laramie County Community College (LCCC) is an open admissions institution and provides programs beneficial to all students. College admission requirements are found in the college catalog.

Because the Dental Hygiene Program receives more applications than available positions, it is necessary to employ strict selection procedures so that those applicants who are deemed best qualified to succeed may be selected. It is the applicant's responsibility to seek current information and to see that her/his file is complete. The program will select 20. To apply to the program, students must complete the following steps:

Step 1

Submit an LCCC Admission Application to the Admissions Office. It is the student's responsibility to request official transcripts of high school and college courses to be sent to the Office of the Registrar. GED recipients must request an official score report and have it sent to student-records@lccc.wy.edu. Application to LCCC must be completed with successful admission by June 1.

NOTE: Unofficial college transcripts (student copies, including LCCC) must be attached and submitted with the Dental Hygiene Application.

Step 2

Prerequisites:

Completion of/or substantial progress in completing, all required prerequisites as outlined in the program application. All must be completed with a "C" or higher by September 1, 2021:

The courses listed below are all of the general education requirements for graduation from the Dental Hygiene Program. Please list which courses you are enrolled in as well as the courses you have completed.

Course	Course #	Course Name	Institution	Semester	Grade
CHEM 1000 Introductory Chemistry					
³ COMM 2010 Public Speaking					
ENGL 1010 English Composition					
MATH 1400 College Algebra					
⁴ *MICR 2240 Medical Microbiology					
PSYC 1000 General Psychology					
¹ STRT 1000 Strategies for Success					
EITHER:					
[^] *ZOO 2010 Anatomy & Physiology I OR					
[^] *ZOO 2015 Human Anatomy					
[^] *ZOO 2020 Anatomy & Physiology II OR					
[^] *ZOO 2025 Human Physiology					
² SOC 1000 Sociological Principles OR					
ANTH 1200 Intro to Cultural Anthropology					
+POLS 1000 American & WY Govt. OR					
+HIST 1211 US History to 1865 OR					
+HIST 1221 US History from 1865 OR					
+HIST 1251 Wyoming History OR					
+ECON 1200 Economics, Law, and Govt.					

NOTE: You cannot register for any dental hygiene class until you are notified of official acceptance and have written permission from the Program Director.

The above credit hours use a 60-minute hour. One credit of theory class = 15 clock hours; one credit of lab = 30 clock hours and one credit of clinical = 45 clock hours.

[^] (Students must complete one 8-credit sequence. Taking one course from each sequence will NOT fulfill this requirement)

¹ STRT 1000 or COLS 1000 or another approved College Seminar course must be taken by students entering the program in January 2022. Laramie

County Community College has identified several exemptions from this requirement:

- a. A student has completed a credit-bearing AA, AS, AAS, Credit Certificate, Credit Diploma or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution.
 - b. A Student has successfully completed a minimum of 15 college-level credits, which must include college-level English and college-level math, with a GPA of 2.5 or higher at a regionally accredited institution at the time of admission or readmission.
 - c. A student has successfully completed a minimum of 24 college-level institutional credits with a GPA of 2.5 or higher at the time the student submits a formal change of program. (This criterion is intended for LCCC students who complete one or more of the tiered Credit Diplomas who then decide to complete the AAS degree, or for those who have been attending LCCC and decide to change their program of study).
 - d. Student has transferred a minimum of 15 military credits (Joint Services Transcript). Please see an academic advisor to be sure that you meet one of these exemptions and do not have to take STRT 1000.
- ² ANTH 1200 will be accepted although SOC 1000 is strongly recommended.
- ³ COMM 2010 Public Speaking or COMM 1015 Foundations of Communications will be required. COMM 2010 is strongly recommended.
- ⁴ MICR 2240 Medical Microbiology may substitute MICR 2210 General Microbiology if transferring in.
- * Must be five years current.
- + HSI Optional prerequisite, required program course. If any of these courses have been accepted for transfer at LCCC from an out-of-state institution, a one-credit hour course of Wyoming Constitution is required. Refer to your degree requirements in the college catalog for more specific guidelines. Although HSI is an optional prerequisite, if this is not completed prior to starting the program, it will be an additional course that is required during the program. It is highly recommended that the student complete this course prior to beginning the dental hygiene program.

Step 3

Pre-admission observation: Applicants must observe a minimum of four identified procedures performed by an RDH. Complete an observation of 2 dental hygienists, at two separate dental offices, for a total of 8 hours. Applicants should contact offices to make an appointment and to ask about proper attire. Each dental hygienist who is shadowed should fill out the attached sheets and put it in a sealed envelope for the student to submit to the Dental Hygiene Program no later than August 15, 2021.

One observation may be waived for applicants with a minimum of one year of dental experience. To waive an observation, a letter from the dental office doctor or manager should be submitted with the Dental Hygiene Application in a sealed envelope verifying length of employment.

Step 4

Print and complete the current Dental Hygiene Program Application Form available online. Only current applications will be reviewed. LCCC Student ID number must be supplied at the time of application as verification of acceptance to the college. Applications to the program will be accepted after July 1, 2021 and must be received on or before August 15, 2021. Prerequisite courses must be completed or in progress at the time of application. For Summer 2021 courses, students must submit a copy of unofficial transcripts, grade reports or verification by the course instructor to the dental hygiene program on or before August 25. Official transcripts for outstanding prerequisite courses must be submitted to the LCCC Office of the Registrar and the unofficial record showing completion with a "C" or better and/or "Pass/Satisfactory" should be sent to the Dental Hygiene Program.

Step 5

If the applicant is accepted into the program, proof of the following additional requirements must be submitted to the dental hygiene program by the dates stipulated in the conditional acceptance letter:

- a. Completed acceptance form
- b. Dental Hygiene Program fee deposit of \$3,717.00
- c. All of the following documentations will be uploaded by the applicant to an online record management system. Please follow the directions provided in the conditional acceptance letter.

Verification of current vaccinations and titers (Hepatitis B, Rubella, Rubeola, Diphtheria, Tetanus, MMR, Varicella). A current TB test (PPD) and Influenza (flu) shot. Students must maintain current TB testing and Influenza (flu) shot at all times while in the Dental Hygiene Program. 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.

Failure to have the outlined immunizations may prevent a student from completing clinical requirements of the Dental Hygiene Program and affect the ability to graduate.

- d. Information will be provided on how to purchase Dental Hygiene text books and instrument kits in the conditional acceptance letter.
- e. A copy of both sides of a current American Heart Association certification card in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation BLS for Health Care Providers. (Note: Other organization's certification is **NOT**

acceptable.) Students must maintain current BLS Health Care Provider CPR certification at all times while in the Dental Hygiene Program.

- f. A verification form related to personal health insurance. All students admitted to the Dental Hygiene Program are expected to be responsible for personal health costs. Students are not covered by worker's compensation because they are not employees of LCCC or any clinical sites. The college does not offer health insurance.
- g. Acceptable chemical impairment screening and criminal background checks are required. Chemical impairment may compromise both the educational process and patient safety.

Early identification, evaluation and treatment are in the best interest of our students and the patients they serve. In addition, clinical sites may require random drug testing and/or drug testing for reasonable cause. Generally, the urine drug test screens for alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or drugs that impair judgment while in the clinical site, classroom or participating in program activities. Testing positive on the screening, or evidence of tampering with a specimen, will disqualify a student from participating in program assignments.

Findings from the criminal background checks or drug screening may result in revocation of admission in the Dental Hygiene Program.

Dental health professionals may be exposed to blood borne pathogens/contagious diseases, therefore, strict compliance with Centers of Disease Control (CDC) and OSHA standards are maintained. Although diseases may be encountered, research indicates that risks are

negligible when optimal infection control is practiced. Policies on blood borne and infectious diseases are available upon request from the Dental Hygiene Program.

In addition to drug screening, for the safety of patients and health care workers, child abuse clearance and criminal background checks are required prior to a clinical assignment. Certain criminal activity as evidenced by a criminal background check may also disqualify a student from clinical participation.

Students are advised that the inability to gain clinical education experiences can result in the inability to meet program objectives and outcomes. These circumstances may prevent final acceptance into and/or progression through the program, and ultimately result in dismissal from the program.

The complete Chemical Impairment and Background Check Policy is outlined in the orientation letter and will be reviewed on the first day of orientation with the Program Handbook. Every student admitted to the program will be required to abide by the policy and acknowledge agreement with the policy in order to be accepted into the program.

NOTE: Applicants who have been convicted of a felony, gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor (or plead guilty or nolo contendere has been entered) should request a copy of a letter concerning his/her eligibility status for licensure from the State Board of Dental Examiners for the state in which the student intends to practice. Eligibility for licensure varies by state so it is important to check with the correct agency prior to applying to the program.

ADMISSION TO THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

To be considered for admission into the program, students must complete Steps 1-5 which were previously outlined.

Admission is based on a point system of completed prerequisite coursework.

1. Each prerequisite course must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
2. Science prerequisite GPA: A 2.5 GPA minimum is required for all science course prerequisites to obtain points. 0.75 points will be awarded for every 0.05 points over the minimum 2.5 GPA requirement. (22.5 points maximum)
3. General studies prerequisite GPA: A 2.5 GPA minimum required for all general studies prerequisites to obtain points. 0.5 points will be awarded for every 0.05 points over the minimum 2.5 GPA requirement. (15 points maximum).
4. For courses that have been retaken, the most recent grade will be used.
5. An applicant is allowed a maximum of two retakes for prerequisite courses before receiving point deduction. This is not per course but for all prerequisite courses. One point will be deducted from the applicant's overall points for each course retake over the two maximum courses.
Example: A student retakes Chemistry, English, and Sociology to improve their grades. Chemistry and English would be considered two retakes. Sociology would be the third retake and result in a one-point deduction for the applicant's overall score.
6. If two applicants are equally qualified, the overall prerequisite GPA will be the determining factor in the selection process. In the event that there is still a tie, the science GPA will be the determining factor. If there is still a tie, preference will be given to the Wyoming resident, and finally, previous work experience in the dental field.

LCCC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its educational programs or activities.



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**2022 DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM
2021 SUBMISSION FOR ENTRY INTO PROGRAM STARTING 2022.**

Print or type — All items MUST be completed for your application to be considered.

LCCC Student ID# _____ LCCC Student Email _____	
Full Name: _____ Last Maiden First Middle Preferred Name	
Address: _____ Street/PO Box	
_____ City State ZIP	
Phone: () _____	Other Phone: () _____
Email: _____	Birth Date: _____

- 1) It is recommended you keep a copy of the application for your personal files.
- 2) To ensure receipt of your application by the Dental Hygiene Program, please mail with a return receipt.
- 3) Due to COVID19 hand-delivered applications will NOT be accepted.
- 4) No submitted applications to the Dental Hygiene Program will be reviewed until after September 1.
- 5) ALL applicants will be notified by mail regarding status for admissions to the Dental Hygiene Program no later than November 1.

All Institutions Previously attended:

_____ Name _____ Date
_____ Signature

Please mail applications with additional forms and requirements to:

LCCC Dental Hygiene
1400 East College Dr
Cheyenne, WY 82007

PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LCCC DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

First Semester – Prerequisite

Gen Ed	CAC	Course code	Course name	Credits	Milestones and Choice Points
QL	✓	MATH 1400	College Algebra	3	Choice Point- Students pursuing Dental Hygiene must take either ZOO 2010 OR ZOO 2015
WC	✓	ENGL 1010	English Composition	3	
SS	✓	STRT 1000	Strategies for Success	3	
OC	✓	COMM 2010	Public Speaking	3	
		ZOO 2010 OR ZOO 2015	Anatomy & Physiology I OR Human Anatomy	4	Choice Point- Students pursuing Dental Hygiene should complete the prerequisite courses listed here during their first semester to avoid losing credits and to stay on track to apply to the program.
		PSYC 1000	General Psychology	3	
			Semester Total	19	

Second Semester – Prerequisite

Gen Ed	CAC	Course code	Course name	Credits	Milestones and Choice Points
		ZOO 2020OR ZOO 2025	Anatomy & Physiology IIOR Human Physiology	4	Choice Point- Students pursuing Dental Hygiene must take either ZOO 2020 OR ZOO 2025. Choice Point- Students pursuing Dental Hygiene are required to take SOC 1000 or ANTH 1200; however, SOC 1000 is strongly recommended. Milestone- Students are eligible to apply to the Dental Hygiene program during this semester. Choice Point- Students may choose to take an approved HSI course at any time throughout the Dental Hygiene program. Student are encouraged to take this course prior to program entry.
	✓	SOC 1000OR ANTH 1200	Sociological PrinciplesOR Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3	
	✓	MICR 2240	Medical Microbiology	4	
	✓	CHEM 1000	Introductory Chemistry	4	
HSI	✓		Choose an approved U.S./ Wyoming Constitution course*	3	
			Semester Total	18	

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DENTAL HYGIENE BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN

STATEMENT AND POLICY

The LCCC dental hygiene clinic adheres to the recommended guidelines set forth by the ADA and the CDC. The dental hygiene clinic follows all standard precautions such as HBV vaccination, hand washing, protective barriers and the disposal of needles and other sharp instruments in a safe manner.

When precautions are followed, patients infected with bloodborne pathogens can be treated safely in the dental setting. According to the CDC, there is no significant risk of contracting bloodborne diseases through the provision of dental treatment. Standard precautions is an effective means of reducing bloodborne pathogen transmission.

Dental hygiene students are advised to be up to date on all vaccines and receive the hepatitis B vaccination series and titer verification, to protect themselves and their patients from infectious organisms.

Patients seen in the dental hygiene clinic who may be infected with a bloodborne pathogen are entitled to dental hygiene treatment. A dental hygiene student may not refuse to provide dental hygiene services based upon a patient's medical status.

Dental professionals are obligated to protect the confidentiality of patient records and to maintain those records. A patient's bloodborne pathogen status and medical condition may only be shared with

the patient's other health care providers as allowed by state and federal law.

All dental hygiene students have an ethical obligation to immediately inform any patient they suspect may have been exposed to blood or other infectious material while seen in the dental hygiene clinic. As required by law, infected dental health care workers must practice in compliance with CDC.

Current evidence indicates that there is no significant risk of contracting bloodborne diseases through dental hygiene treatment when standard precautions are routinely followed. All dental hygiene students are strongly urged to undergo a medical physical to determine their bloodborne pathogen status. Those students who believe they are at risk for bloodborne pathogen infection should regularly monitor their status. All health care workers testing positive for a bloodborne pathogen must practice only in strict compliance with the current infection-control recommendations of the CDC for infected providers as required by law.

If an exposure in the dental hygiene clinic were to occur, the student would be sent for a post exposure evaluation and the patient would be referred to a qualified medical practitioner to provide post exposure services.

* adapted from the ADA Bloodborne Pathogen, CDC guidelines and OSHA policy

I have read and understand LCCC's Bloodborne Pathogen Statement and Policy.

Name (Print)	
Signature	Date

***Please return this form with your dental hygiene application packet.

PERSONAL DENTAL HYGIENE ADMISSION CHECKLIST

Please keep this checklist for your personal records.

DATE COMPLETED

LCCC Institutional Application of Admission _____

Requested and sent official transcripts from
previously attended colleges to the Office of
the Registrar with LCCC application; _____

Requested and sent official transcripts
from high school
-OR-
Requested and sent official score report of
Your GED transcript (transfer applicants only) _____

Student (unofficial) copies attached to this application _____

Institution: _____

Institution: _____

Institution: _____

Institution: _____

Pre-admission observations need to be conducted at two separate offices (or letter
of employment at a dental office plus one dental hygienist observation from an office
other than employer).

Observation 1 _____

Observation 2 _____

Read, understood, signed and included with application –
Infection Control/Bloodborne Pathogen Policy _____

Dental Hygiene Application submitted _____

Read and understood
Chemical Impairment Background Check Policy _____

**LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM
OBSERVATION GUIDELINES
2021 APPLICATION (2022-2023 COHORT)**

INSTRUCTIONS: Please read the following information and complete the indicated information at the bottom of the form. **Submit this signed form (along with your Preadmission Observation Evaluation Form)** to the dental hygienist of the dental office at the start of observation period. You may make a copy of the completed form for your records.

Health care facilities are organizations designed to provide medical diagnoses, treatment and care for patients. As an observing student in a dental office, you may be allowed to observe various interactions between patients, dental hygienists, dentists, and other health care personnel. Applicants must observe a minimum of four identified procedures performed by an RDH.

1. As a student applying for the Dental Hygiene program at LCCC, your role is strictly as an observer. Although you may be qualified to administer certain aspects of patient care (such as radiographs) due to your past education, experiences, and certifications, you may not provide any direct patient care during this observation period.
2. During your observation, you will observe both patients and their information (including their dental images). You may even observe an examination or information of someone you know while at the facility. It is permissible to ask questions of the available hygienist about the procedures you are observing during or after the treatment. Please be advised that this is privileged information protected by federal privacy acts, and therefore cannot be shared with any party outside the facility. This includes family and friends.
3. Due to the privacy rules described above, some facilities may require you to sign a confidentiality statement specific to their institution in addition to this form prior to your observation. Department personnel may also request patient permission prior to your observation of each procedure. While most patients do give their permission, patients do have the right to deny your observation of their treatment. Please do not be offended if a patient does not wish to have you present or observe his/her treatment. Instead, respect the patient's right to choose how his/her care is delivered.
4. The dental office will make every effort to provide a safe and educational observation experience, but because your observation is in a health care facility, you may be exposed to blood-borne and other pathogens while at the facility.
5. An observing student is ultimately responsible for his/her own actions. If a student observer fails to comply with the guidelines listed above, the facility has the right to immediately suspend the student's observation and/or bar him/her from future observations. In addition, the facility and/or Laramie County Community College cannot be held responsible for any damages or liabilities which may result due to inappropriate student behaviors during or after the observation period.

ACCEPTANCE OF OBSERVATION GUIDELINES

I have read the Guidelines for the Pre-Observation Requirements for students applying for the Dental Hygiene program at Laramie County Community College. I understand my responsibilities concerning the observation with regard to patient confidentiality and the importance of following the instructions of the **hygienist** during my observation. I understand that I am bound to these rules and other applicable facility/office policies during my observation and will comply with these policies to the best of my ability.

Print name of Student	Signature of Student	Date
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Print name of Dental Hygienist	Signature of Dental Hygienist	Date
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If you have any questions about the observation or this form, please call the Dental Hygiene program director at 307.778.1386.

Note to host facilities: Please feel free to keep the original or a copy of this document for your records and forward one copy back to the LCCC Dental Hygiene program director attached to the Pre-Admission Observation Evaluation Form. Thank you for your time and assistance during this pre-observation experience.

Laramie County Community College is committed to providing a safe and nondiscriminatory educational and employment environment. The college does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, age, veteran status, political affiliation, sexual orientation or other status protected by law. Sexual harassment, including sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The college does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational, extracurricular, athletic or other programs or in the context of employment.

The College has a designated person to monitor compliance and to answer any questions regarding the college's non-discrimination policies. Please contact: Title IX and ADA Coordinator, Suite 205, Clay Pathfinder Building, 1400 E. College Drive, Cheyenne, WY 82007, 307.778.1144, NDS@lccc.wy.edu.

**LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM**

**OBSERVATION EVALUATION FORM
2021 APPLICATION (2022-2023 COHORT)**

To assist the applicant in being selected for the LCCC dental hygiene program, a student must complete an observation of 2 dental hygienists, at two separate dental offices, for a total of 8 hours. We feel the prospective student will have a better understanding of the type of work that a dental hygienist does by attending this observation period. Applicants must observe a minimum of four identified procedures performed by an RDH.

NOTE: In the event that patient volume in the office appears to be low or inadequate, it is permissible for the observing student to reschedule remaining and/or additional observation time if the supervising dental hygienist deems this to be appropriate. The faculty of the LCCC Dental Hygiene program would like to thank you and your staff for the consideration you have shown to this prospective student and appreciate your comments.

Please answer the questions on the back of this sheet and return all 3 forms to the following address by August 15, 2021.

Laramie County Community College
Dental Hygiene Program
1400 E. College Drive
Cheyenne, WY 82007

Name of Facility _____

Name of Prospective Student _____

Number of Hours Spent in the Dental Office _____

Date(s) of Attendance _____

Thank You For Your Assistance.

If you have any questions, please call Amber Telander, RDH, MA at 307.778.1386
or email atelande@lccc.wy.edu.

*If the student observes at two different clinical facilities, this form may be copied for use at both sites.

Please return ALL three observation pages.

The student:	YES	NO
1. Called to make an appointment (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Was punctual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Completed hours of observation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Came to the department properly groomed/attired.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Came to the department prepared to observe with the appropriate paperwork	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain and/or comment on any item(s) where “no” has been checked.

Please rate the following items from 1 to 5 with 5 being the highest rating possible.

			LOWEST		HIGHEST
6. Displayed some awareness of the dental hygiene profession	1	2	3	4	5
7. Displayed the ability to interact with others	1	2	3	4	5
8. Appeared interested in dental hygiene procedures	1	2	3	4	5
9. Asked pertinent questions during the observation	1	2	3	4	5
10. Would you recommend this student?	1	2	3	4	5

Please comment:

Observed the following procedures performed by a dental hygienist (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> prophylaxis	<input type="checkbox"/> Dental Laser therapy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):
<input type="checkbox"/> sealant placement	<input type="checkbox"/> Suture removal	
<input type="checkbox"/> local anesthetic administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Radiograph Exposure	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nitrous oxide administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Scaling and root planing	

Other comments and overall impressions:

Signature of **Dental Hygienist** _____ Date _____

Please return this form to the postal address on the front page, regardless of the number of hours observed.

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PROGRESSION

To progress in the dental hygiene program the student must:

1. Maintain a minimum grade of "C" in each required dental hygiene course. Due to COVID19 pandemic any courses completed in Spring 2020 or Summer 2020 will accept "Pass/Satisfactory" grade as equivalent to a grade of "C."
2. Take the dental hygiene courses in sequence.
3. Maintain acceptable background checks/drug screens, immunizations, CPR, and certifications.

PROGRAM OF STUDY

CURRICULUM OF THE LCCC DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

The Dental Hygiene Program is a rigorous study of advanced science classes offered in an accelerated format. A significant amount of time on and off campus participation in clinical experience, course reading, course projects, community service learning, and various forms of course evaluation. All of the above require time management and multi-tasking skills. For program cost/fees please refer to Estimated Student Expenses section of the application.

Semester	Course Number	Title	Credit Hours Lec/Lab/Clinic
1st	DHYG 1110	Dental Biology	3
	DHYG 1150	Preventive Dentistry	2
	DHYG 1410	Dental Hygiene Principles	6
	DHYG 2450	Dental Radiology	3
Total Hours			14 hrs
2nd	DHYG 1200	Pharmacology	2
	DHYG 1245	Dental Nutrition and Biochemistry	3
	DHYG 1420	Dental Hygiene Seminar I	2
	DHYG 1425	Dental Hygiene Clinic I	3
	DHYG 2400	Head, Neck, and Oral Anatomy	2
	DHYG 2455	Dental Materials	3
Total Hours			15 hrs
3rd	DHYG 2200	General and Oral Pathology	2
	DHYG 2250	Pain Management	2.5
	DHYG 2330	Periodontology	4
	DHYG 2430	Dental Hygiene Seminar II	2
	DHYG 2435	Dental Hygiene Clinic II	5
Total Hours			15.5 hrs
4th	DHYG 2260	Dental Public Health	3
	DHYG 2410	Ethics, Law, and Practice Management	3
	DHYG 2440	Dental Hygiene Seminar III	1
	DHYG 2445	Dental Hygiene Clinic III	5
Total Hours			12 hrs
Total Dental Hygiene Program of Study credit hours required Hours			93.5
Total Dental Hygiene courses credit Hours			56.5
Total general education and non-DHYG credit Hours			37

** If a student has not completed HSI prior to starting the program, she/he is required to complete the course or its equivalent no later than Term 4 in order to graduate.



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STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING LICENSURE

The following questions are asked on the State of Wyoming application for licensure as a Dental Hygienist; therefore, it is for your information and written answers are not required.

1. Have you ever had any application for licensure or certification refused, dismissed, denied, or withdrawn by any professional licensing authority?
2. Have you ever allowed any professional license to lapse in lieu of disciplinary action, or had a limited, conditioned, or probationary license issued by any licensing authority?
3. Have you had a professional license revoked, voluntarily surrendered, suspended, reprimanded, censured, conditioned, restricted, or otherwise disciplined?
4. Have any unresolved or pending complaints ever been filed against you with any licensing agency or association?
5. Is there any disciplinary action pending against you by any licensing authority? If YES, where and when?
6. Have you ever been charged or convicted (including a nolo contendere plea or guilty plea) of a misdemeanor, felony, or other criminal offense (other than minor traffic violations) in any state or federal court? If YES, in addition to the affidavit, attach a certified copy of the court records regarding your conviction, the nature of the offense date of discharge, if applicable, as well as a statement from the probation or parole officer.
7. Are you currently addicted to or abusing any chemical substance including alcohol (excluding tobacco and caffeine) that would impair your ability to practice?
8. Do you currently have or have you been previously diagnosed with any condition or impairment (including but not limited to, substance abuse, alcohol abuse, or a mental, emotional or nervous disorder, or condition) that in any way affects your ability to practice in a competent, ethical, and professional manner?
9. Have you been named as a defendant to a civil suit related to your practice or profession (i.e. malpractice, Medical Review Panel)?



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DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

Goals: As an integral part of Laramie County Community College and the community, those who teach, advise, and learn in the Dental Hygiene are committed to the following goals:

1. Prepare dental hygiene graduates to be well-qualified entry-level practitioners who possess the knowledge and skills to provide evidence-based dental hygiene care, practice informed decision making based on current research and function as integral members of the dental health team through demonstrated competence as defined by Program Competencies
 2. Promote the health and well-being of the public by providing quality, clinical dental hygiene care assured through a comprehensive quality-assurance program.
 3. Support and promote the personal and professional development of faculty, staff and students by fostering professional behaviors consistent with legal and ethical expectations through professional activities, continuing education programs, and community and college service.
- Participate in and support service activities and affiliations with organizations that advance the mission of the College, Department and profession.
4. Practice teaching excellence reflective of current dental hygiene and educational theories and practices.
 5. Utilize faculty expertise and current educational methodologies to provide quality and contemporary didactic and clinical dental hygiene education through a competency- based curriculum.



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DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM 2022 – 2023 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

LCCC is able to offer an accelerated 16-month program by scheduling 60-minute classes in four 14 to 15 week terms, while most dental hygiene programs offer 50 minute classes. Applicants who wish to stay in the Residence Hall are encouraged to contact the Residence Life Office at 307.637.2498 regarding the availability of food service at the beginning of Term 1 and Term 4 and through the end of Term 2.

Term 1

January 3.....Orientation
January 3.....First Day of Term 1
January 17.....Equality Day (no class)
February 21Presidents Day (no class)
March 16-18.....Spring Break
April 8.....Last Day of Term 1

Term 2

April 12.....First Day of Term 2
May 30.....Memorial Day (no class)
July 4.....Independence Day (no class)
July 13.....Last Day of Term 2

Term 3*

August 29.....First Day of Term 3
September 5.....Labor Day (no class)
October 14.....Fall Break
November 23-25.....Thanksgiving Break (no class)
December 2.....Last Day of Term 3

Term 4*

January 2.....Orientation
January 2.....First Day of Term 4
January 16.....Equality Day (no class)
February 20President's Day (no class)
March 15-17.....Spring Break
April 12.....Last Day of Term 4

***Dates are subject to change**

MORE INFORMATION

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Dental Hygiene Director
800.522.2993 ext. 1386
307.778.1386

Specialist/Clinic Manager tstanfor@lccc.wy.edu
Admissions Office 800.522.2993 ext. 1357
OR 307.778.1357
LearnMore@lccc.wy.edu

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DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

2022 – 2023 ESTIMATED STUDENT EXPENSES*

Tuition and fees: Please see the current catalog for general school expenses

Dental Hygiene Fee: \$14,868 (in addition to all other tuition and fees)

Textbooks and Course Packets:

First Year	\$1,600
Second Year	\$ 600
Student instrument kit	\$2,750
Loupes	\$1,500

Personal Expenses:

Immunizations/Varies with the number and type necessary	
Background check and drug screening	\$ 225
Lab coats/scrubs/shoes/safety glasses	\$ 400
Dental hygiene pin	\$ 50

Licensing Fees:

National Board	\$ 440
National Dental Hygiene Board Exam Review	\$ 400
CRDTS or WREBS	\$1,300-1,800
Travel cost associated with Board Exams	Varies
State Jurisprudence Exams	\$400-600
State Licensing Fee	Varies by State

The Dental Hygiene Program will provide some of the instruments, dosimeter service, SADHA membership, and limited course supplies such as some materials needed for table clinics, community health projects, and class presentations. Instruments and supplies that are provided by the program are the property of the Dental Hygiene Program and must be returned at the end of Term 4. You will be charged for any instruments or supplies not returned.

A quarter of the Dental Hygiene Program Fee is due each term with the first installment required at the time of acceptance into the program and will be applied toward the Principles of Dental

Hygiene course fee. If the applicant notifies the program in writing that she/he no longer wants to be considered as an accepted member of the class of 2023, the deposit will be returned in full through October 31, 2021. Beginning November 1, 2021, the entire amount will be forfeited to the program. The remaining program fee will be evenly distributed through the remainder of the curriculum. Students are encouraged to visit with the Financial Aid Office. You may call 307.778.1215 or 800.522.2993 ext. 1215 for additional financial aid information.

* Fees are subject to change

STUDENT COMMITMENT

Due to the demands of the full-time, accelerated LCCC 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. An alternative may be found by contacting the LCCC Financial Aid Office.

Clinical, lab and program activities in the LCCC Clinic and other external sites may be scheduled as early as 7 a.m. or as late as 10 p.m. and may be on any day of the week. The student is required to participate in these activities as scheduled. Child care arrangements, work schedules and transportation are the responsibility of the student.

Classroom, lab and service learning attendance is expected and accountability for knowledge and assignments are 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.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

The following is used as a guideline for the prospective student so that he/she 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 physical demands of the profession of dental hygiene.

The Dental Hygienist must be able to:

1. Sit, stand and/or bend for extended periods of time in one location with minimal or no breaks.
2. Bend, twist, and lift a minimum of 20 pounds.
3. Demonstrate sufficient visual ability to instrument and provide local anesthesia in the oral cavity with or without corrective lenses and while wearing protective eyewear.
4. Demonstrate sufficient peripheral vision to function in the clinical setting.
5. Demonstrate sufficient ability to communicate with patient, staff, and instructors while wearing dental masks during clinical treatment with or without accommodations.
6. Detect odors sufficient to maintain environmental safety and patient needs.
7. Manipulate small instruments, supplies, and equipment with efficiency, dexterity, and exceptional eye-hand coordination.
8. Assist with and/or lift, move, position, and manipulate with or without assistive devices, the patient who is nonambulatory.
9. Communicate and understand fluent English both verbally and in writing. Bilingual abilities are a plus.
10. Be free of reportable communicable diseases and chemical abuse.
11. Function without allergic reaction in an environment with substantial latex and chemical exposure.
12. Demonstrate immunity to rubella, rubeola, tuberculosis, and hepatitis B, or be vaccinated against these diseases.
13. 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.
14. Demonstrate the use of positive coping skills under stress.
15. Exhibit positive interpersonal skills in patient, staff, and faculty interactions.
16. Make appropriate judgment decisions.