

**Eugenio Maria de Hostos Community College of the City University of New York
Academic Advisement, Division of Academic Affairs**

**Academic Advisement Major Code # 21
For an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S) Degree in Dental Hygiene**

Dental Hygiene

- The Dental Hygiene Program leads to an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree for students who successfully complete the course of study. Students are prepared to become registered dental hygienists and pass an intensive theory National Board and Clinical State Board examination. Passing both examinations are required for licensure and employment. The Dental Hygiene Program offers a two and three consecutive semester Dental Hygiene course of study. The Extended Three-Year Program is targeted for the student who is academically compromised by familial and financial obligations. By using staggered admissions, it delays entrance into the clinical component of the program until the basic dental hygiene courses are satisfactorily underway. Students take longer to graduate, but participate in a less intensive course of study before they are mainstreamed into the regular program.
- Approaches to the educational and professional development of the students stem from the goal to graduate competent clinicians who can positively affect their community and the dental hygiene profession through personal, academic, intellectual and professional achievements. Students provide preventive dental health care treatment and education at the campus Dental Hygiene Clinic.
- Students provide dental hygiene care for patients of all ages under the direct guidance and supervision of licensed professional dental hygienists and dentists. Faculty, students, staff, family, and friends have access to free dental hygiene care and oral health maintenance. Two academic years and one summer are required to complete the 70-credit degree program. Graduates are eligible to transfer to senior colleges and receive junior year status.
- All eligible students are encouraged to apply for the various academic and health profession scholarships and to join both the local and national Student American Dental Hygienist Association (SADHA). Awards for achievement include the Hu-Friedy Golden Scaler Award, the New York City Dental Hygienist Association Clinical Proficiency Award, the American Dental Association Professional Achievement Award, and the Dental Hygiene Program Student Achievement Award. Dental hygienists find employment in private dental practices, public and private health agencies, hospitals, industrial clinics, government agencies, the U.S. Armed Services, Peace Corps, World Health Organizations, and dental hygiene schools.

Program of Study Leading to the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Dental Hygiene

Liberal Arts & Sciences	29.0 credits
Dental Hygiene	41.0 credits
Total for Degree	70.0 credits

First Year

First Semester		Credits
BIO 230	Anatomy & Physiology I	4.0
CHE 110	Intro to Chemistry I (Lecture and Lab)	4.0
DEN 110	Oral Anatomy & Physiology (Lecture and Lab)	2.0
DEN 111	Head & Neck Anatomy	1.5
DEN 112	Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice I	2.0
ENG 110	Expository Writing	3.0
Subtotal		16.5

Second Semester		Credits
BIO 240	Anatomy & Physiology II (Lecture and Laboratory)	4.0
CHE 120	Principles of Organic Chemistry	2.0
DEN 120	Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice II	1.5
DEN 121	Dental Radiology I: Basic Concepts (Lecture & Lab)	1.0
DEN 122	Oral Microbiology (Lecture and Laboratory)	1.5
DEN 123	Oral Embryology & Histology	1.5
DEN 129	Clinic I	3.0
ENG 111	Literature & Composition	3.0
Subtotal		17.5

Summer		Credits
DEN 130	Nutrition	2.0
DEN 131	Dental Radiology II: Technique & Interpretation (Lecture and Lab)	2.0
DEN 132	Dental Materials	2.0
Subtotal		6.0

Second Year

Third Semester		Credits
DEN 210	General & Oral Pathology	1.5
DEN 211	Periodontology	1.5
DEN 212	Dental Health Education	1.5
DEN 213	Advanced Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice	1.5
DEN 219	Clinic II	4.0
PSY 1032	Intro to Psychology	3.0
VPA 192	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3.0
Subtotal		16.0

Fourth Semester

		Credits
DEN 220	Community Dental Health	1.5
DEN 221	Pharmacology	1.5
DEN 222	Dental Specialities	1.0
DEN 223	Ethics, Jurisprudence & Practice Management	1.5
DEN 224	Senior Seminar	1.5
DEN 229	Clinic III	4.0
SOC 1232	Intro to Sociology	3.0
Subtotal		14.0
Total Credits		70.0