



DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

To qualify for financial aid and to receive program updates, submit item #1 and complete the Accuplacer Assessment test immediately (see back for details). Students who complete the above steps and are currently enrolled in a BTC course may be eligible to register by appointment before the general public.

This program will begin again Fall 2012. Please visit the website at www.btc.ctc.edu to view the prior 2010 application packet. Items listed below will be required for admission.

1. Degree/Certificate Program Admissions Application
2. Payment of the non-refundable \$40 Dental Hygiene application fee
3. Health Occupations Basic Entrance Test (HOBET) score sheet
4. Dental Hygiene Observation Form(s)
5. **(Optional)** Proof of completion of Dental Assistant certificate or degree from a regionally accredited institution.
6. Official transcripts in sealed envelopes containing evidence of completion of the courses listed below. BTC transcripts can be unofficial. Questions about course equivalents should be directed to Chris Richter at: 752-8321.

Dental Hygiene Required Prerequisite Courses	Credits	Grade	Course Prerequisites
English Composition I (ENGL& 101)	5	2.7	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores or COM 170
English Composition II (ENGL& 102)	5	2.7	ENGL& 101
General Psychology (PSYC& 100)	5	2.7	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores or COM 170
Introduction to Sociology (SOC& 101)	5	2.7	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores or COM 170
Interpersonal Communications (CMST& 210) or Public Speaking (CMST& 220) or Introduction to Communication (CMST& 101)	5	2.7	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores
Precalculus I (MATH& 141) or Math in Society (MATH& 107) or Intro to Statistics (MATH& 146)	5	2.7	MATH 099 or College Level Math score
Human A & P 1 (BIOL& 241) (Must be no older than 5 years at the time of application packet deadline)	5	2.7	General Biology w/lab (BIOL& 160)
Human A & P 2 (BIOL& 242) (Must be no older than 5 years at the time of application packet deadline)	5	2.7	Human A & P 1 (BIOL& 241)
Introduction to Chemistry (CHEM& 121) Note: Not equivalent to the former WCC CHEM 121 course	5	2.7	MATH 098 or Algebra score placement into MATH 099
Introduction to Organic Chemistry (CHEM& 122) or Introduction to Organic/Biochemistry (CHEM& 131)	5	2.7	CHEM& 121
Microbiology (BIOL& 260) (Must be no older than 5 years at the time of application packet deadline)	5	2.7	BIOL& 160 and CHEM& 121
Nutrition (NUTR& 101)	5	2.7	

Continue on back of sheet

Financial Aid Eligibility

If you are attending Bellingham Technical College to obtain your general education requirements, you may apply for financial aid to help defray the cost of course work. In order to determine your eligibility for aid, you will need to complete the following two requirements **prior** to submitting a complete packet **in addition** to filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):

- A. Take the Accuplacer assessment tests (or be waived from them) to determine course and program placement. The assessment tests are offered four times weekly at a variety of days and times. Call 360-752-8345 to schedule a testing appointment or to inquire about test waiver.
- B. Submit a Degree/Certificate Program Admissions Application identifying the year and quarter you want to start.

Evaluation of Candidates

Applicants must submit a complete application packet containing all of the items listed on the front prior to the application deadline. **Incorrect or incomplete application packets will not be considered.** Admission to the Dental Hygiene program is selective, based on academic records and other written assessments as required. The number of students accepted is limited by the physical and financial resources of the college or when placement into the profession is no longer possible. Again, applicants must meet all application requirements and have successfully completed all prerequisite courses to be considered in the selection process.

Applicants are evaluated as follows:

<u>Possible Points</u>	<u>Selection Criteria</u>
40	GPA of Science & Math prerequisite courses
30	GPA of other prerequisite courses
20	HOBET scores
10	Education: Associate or equivalent = 5 pts. Bachelor or Master = 8 pts. Dental Assistant certificate or degree from a regionally accredited institution = 2 pts.
100	Total

- Applicants will be ranked in numerical order according to scores from categories above. In case of a tie for the last position, consideration will be given to the student with the highest Science/Math prerequisite GPA. A sample calculation worksheet is available on the BTC website at:
<http://www.btc.ctc.edu/DegreesCertificates/Programs/PRG-ProgramMain.asp?Program=93>

Once a program seat becomes available for you:

After acceptance into the Dental Hygiene program, you are required to:

- Demonstrate satisfactory health status by a physical examination within the preceding six months, including current immunizations.
- Submit the Applicant Notification: Washington State Patrol Criminal History Background Check form
- Submit \$10 payment for the criminal background check processing fee.
- Complete an 11-panel drug screen for prohibited substances.
- Show proof of personal health insurance (student accident insurance is available).
- Pay \$100 Dental Hygiene ASB fee

If you have further questions regarding the application process you are advised to first review the 2010 application packet online at: www.btc.ctc.edu by clicking on Degrees & Certificates/Dental Hygiene/2010 Application Packet.

If you need additional information about the assessment or advising, please feel free to contact Admissions at 360-752-8345. Questions regarding credit equivalencies and/or transferability should be directed to the Allied Health Admissions Advisor at 360-752-8321.