

Dental Hygiene

BACHELOR of APPLIED SCIENCE

ADMISSIONS GUIDE



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- This online program can help licensed dental hygienists improve their career opportunities in such areas as practice management, education or sales.

Admission Requirements Checklist

- IMPORTANT:** It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all the following requirements are satisfied and posted accurately to their student record before submitting a Health Programs Application. For questions about these admissions requirements: [Academic Advising](#)
- New** students must complete the St. Petersburg College Admission Application and pay the non-refundable fee. **Returning** students must complete the online Readmission steps in MySPC if you have not enrolled in the previous six semesters. [Admissions and Readmissions](#)

A secondary Health Program Application is required for limited access Health Programs. See link below.

- Submit official, unopened (sealed) high school or GED transcripts indicating completion of standard high school diploma or equivalency. **See *Transcripts/Transfer Credit**
If you completed an AAS degree or higher at a regionally accredited institution, SPC will not need your high school/GED transcript or Home School Affidavit.
- Submit official, unopened (sealed) transcripts from all regionally accredited college(s) and/or universities currently or previously attended (outside of St Petersburg College). **See *Transcripts/Transfer Credit**
- Students must demonstrate they are at college level in Writing, Reading, and Math either through appropriate test scores or through appropriate course completion.
- Students must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 on a 4.00 scale in all postsecondary coursework. Your Academic Standing may have an impact on your admission, enrollment, and financial aid eligibility. See the SPC Academic Standing Policy for details. [Academic Standing Policy](#)
- Complete a minimum of 15 semester hours of transferable general education coursework from a regionally accredited college or university. To view approved General Education courses, please refer to [General Education Requirements](#).
- Submit official transcript showing completion of a dental hygiene degree from an institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. **See *Transcripts/Transfer Credit**
- DH License:** Submit your active, unrestricted, unencumbered (i.e. clear/active) Dental Hygiene license information from the state in which you are practicing. Note: This is to be kept current and unrestricted throughout the duration of the program. * The Baccalaureate Admission Application will provide the opportunity to input your required Dental Hygiene license information as you complete the application.
- Submit the Baccalaureate Dental Hygiene application by going to: http://web.spcollege.edu/hec/app_ud/apply.

Admissions Information

- It is the student's responsibility to verify admission criteria has been met for the program; Please apply once you complete all admission criteria and allow up to four weeks for processing.
- All students will receive an admission status update sent to their MySPC Live Student Email (xxxxxx#@live.spcollege.edu) within four (4) weeks of submitting a Baccalaureate Dental Hygiene Application. If you are not sure how to access your MySPC live student email, please visit [How do I Access My SPC Email](#).
- Students with incomplete applications are encouraged to discuss missing admission criteria with an academic advisor and reapply when eligible.
- The program will accept applications continually throughout the year for the next available Fall or Spring start date.
- All qualified students will be offered admission for the next available start date (or until BASDH classes are filled). Once the Notice of Intent to Participate survey is completed, the student will be emailed a Welcome Letter and assigned a program advisor to help plan their program progression.
- Classes may fill quickly, so students are encouraged to apply and enroll early.

*Transcripts/Transfer Credit: [Submitting Official Transcripts](#)

- Transcripts must be received and evaluated by St. Petersburg College prior to the application deadline to ensure consideration.
- We do not accept unofficial copies or unsealed official copies.
- International students, please refer to [Submitting Official Transcripts](#)
- Transcripts for course credit earned by exam(s) (e.g., AP, CLEP) must be provided from the originating testing agency.
- **If you have submitted updated transcripts from one institution, please verify that your most recent coursework is evaluated and posted to your SPC record.**

*Alternative Satisfaction

- Transfer courses for which there is no direct SPC equivalent will be posted as elective credit and designated with a number ending in "999"; additionally, upper division (300/3000 level or higher) transfer credits do not automatically post to your SPC record.
- All upper division coursework (transfer or SPC) does not automatically satisfy admission requirements; it must be requested by the student.

If you believe a course posted as an elective should satisfy a degree requirement, or you would like an upper division course be used to satisfy a lower division course, please complete the [Alternative Satisfaction Survey](#)
A copy of your transcript from the former institution and a course syllabus will be required.

*All transcript/transfer credit questions can be directed to [Academic Advising](#)

To confirm posted credits: Log into MySPC > My Academics > View Unofficial Transcript > Other/Transfer

Estimated Cost***

Type of Student	Tuition	Textbooks	Total
Florida Resident	\$5,300	\$1,000	\$6,300
Non-Florida Resident	\$17,600	\$1,000	\$18,600

*****(PLEASE NOTE: ANY ADDITIONAL CREDITS NEEDED TO COMPLETE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS WILL INCREASE THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROGRAM.)*****

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

B.A.S. Dental Hygiene Program of Study

B.A.S. General Education Requirements can be viewed in SPC's Program of Study for the [Associate in Arts \(GEN-AA\)](#) degree program.

***ENHANCED WORLD VIEW:** Complete at least one 3-credit course intended to enhance the student's world view considering an increasingly globalized economy.
This course may also be used to satisfy another General Education Requirement (Humanities and Fine Arts)

****CIVIC LITERACY:**

Students entering an A.S. Degree program in the 2022-2023 academic school year, or thereafter, must demonstrate competency through successful completion the Civic Literacy requirement.

This may include a course and exam, or an alternative accelerated mechanism.

This course may also be used to satisfy another General Education Requirement (Social & Behavioral Sciences)

Please view additional details on the [FCLE](#) webpage.

***** FOREIGN LANGUAGE:**

If students have not completed two consecutive years of the same foreign language in high school or 8 credits in college, students will need to complete 8 credits of foreign language **before completing the Associate in Arts (AA) and baccalaureate programs.** (Note: Some students may be able to test out of the 2 year/2 semester language requirement if fluent in a certain language; contact SPC's Testing Center for additional information).

Accessibility Services

St. Petersburg College is committed to providing quality education and services to all students by ensuring that admission, academic programs, support services, student activities, and campus facilities are accessible to and usable by qualified students with disabilities. Each specific health program has its own technical standards which all students must meet with or without an accommodation(s). To help students achieve success, Accessibility Services works with students, faculty, and staff to coordinate the provision of reasonable accommodations. To put your accommodations in place, please contact the Health Education Center (HEC) Accessibility Services (AS) at 727-341-3432 or <https://www.spcollege.edu/current-students/student-affairs/student-support-resources/accessibility-services> even if you are registered with another campus.

St. Petersburg College is committed to equal access/equal opportunity in its programs, activities, and employment. For additional information visit [SPC EAEO](#).

Please note, all information in this guide is subject to change.

* Additional general education coursework may be required to complete the degree.