

Dental Hygienist Admissions Guide

The Dental Hygienist Degree offers a rewarding career as a dental hygienist. Twice a year, in October and March, applicants are admitted to the Dental Hygienist associate degree through a competitive selection process. To be considered for selection, complete the steps listed on this page. Because there are several steps, it is important to get started on them right away. Below is the recommended order:

ITEM	COMPLETED
Apply to the Dental Hygienist Program nwtc.edu/Apply	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submit Transcripts Send high school and college transcripts (if applicable) to transcripts@nwtc.edu	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Assessment** (If Applicable) The assessment may be waived if your high school or college GPA is 3.0 or higher; or if you have already taken the ACT or Accuplacer. It is important that all transcripts are sent (for review) to determine if the assessment is needed.**	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete the Dental Hygienist Information Session Log into nwtc.edu/mynwtc and navigate to "Admissions." Select "Orientations" and complete the Dental Hygienist Information Session.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Chemistry (NWTC Catalog #10806134) Chemistry is waived if you have completed two semesters of lab based high school chemistry with a C or better or college level lab based chemistry with a C or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Algebra (NWTC Catalog #10804118) Algebra is waived if you have completed two semesters of high school algebra with a C or better, college math with a C or better, and/or college level general anatomy and physiology with a B or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Biology (NWTC Catalog #10806177) Biology is waived if you have completed two semesters of high school biology with a C or better or college level biology with a C or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete the HESI (Score of 80+) The HESI should be one of your final steps. Visit nwtc.edu/HESI for more information! Test subjects include reading, math, chemistry, anatomy & physiology. Assessment dates are available in June, September, and February.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete the Essay You can schedule your essay by contacting an NWTC Assessment Center. Testing dates are available August-October and January-March. Visit nwtc.edu/test and select the testing location to view their contact information. This should be the last item completed and only attempted after you have passed the HESI.	<input type="checkbox"/>

View your application checklist and progress anytime at nwtc.edu/mynwtc! Navigate to "Admissions" and select "Application Checklist". Need Help? Contact us at 920-498-5444 or start@nwtc.edu

When you have completed all the items on page 1, your transcripts, test results, and grades will be presented to a selection committee for review in October and March. If you are selected for admission to the Dental Hygienist program, you will be placed on a waitlist (you may be on the waitlist for up to a year before being fully admitted). Below is general education coursework that you can complete prior to being selected for admission and/or during the waitlist period.

Course Name (CATALOG NUMBER)	Credits	Pre-requisite	Completed/ Semester
College 101 (10890101)	1		
English Comp 1 (10801136)	3		
General Anatomy & Physiology (10806177) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	Chemistry (10806134) C grade or greater	
Microbiology (10806197) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	General A&P (10806177) or General Biology (10806114) with a C grade or greater	
Oral/Interpersonal Communications (10801196)	3		
Intro to Biochemistry (10806186) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	Chemistry (10806134) C grade or greater	
Intro to Psychology (10809198)	3		
Intro to Diversity (10809172)	3		
Intro to Sociology (10809196)	3		

** When scores are not met, it is important to work with an academic advisor to discuss which additional courses are required for admission. Call 920-498-5444 to schedule an appointment!

Exam Name	Math	Reading	English	Elementary Algebra
ACT	18	21	21	21
Accuplacer	263	263	263	263
Accuplacer (Old)	80	90	95	65
TABE 9/10	12.8	12.6	12.8	
TABE 11/12	800	800	800	
SAT	430	500	500	500
COMPASS	50	87	91	47

FAQs

Q. What is the deadline for completing admission items?

A. All items must be successfully completed by 9/30 for the October selection and 3/1 for the March selection.

Q. When will I be notified if I am selected?

A. The selection process can take about a month to be completed. If your items are submitted by 9/30, you can expect to receive notification in early November. If your items are submitted by 3/1, you can expect to receive notification in late April.

Q. Vaccination Requirements

A. To learn more about the vaccines, such as flu, Covid19, etc., required for this program, please visit www.nwtc.edu/cbc and select your program from the drop-down list.

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