

# Dental Hygiene A.A.S.

In cooperation with Montgomery County Community College

The Dental Hygiene Associate Degree program, through an agreement with Montgomery County Community College, is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

In cooperation with Montgomery County Community College, the Dental Hygiene associate degree program prepares you to work as a dental hygienist in a variety of settings and to provide preventative and therapeutic oral care to the public. You'll receive extensive, hands-on training at Central Campus's new, state-of-the-art Health Sciences Center in its dental hygiene clinic. You'll also gain clinical experience at community-based sites.

Upon successful completion of the Dental Hygiene program, you'll receive an Associate of Applied Science degree. If you decide to continue your education, you can transfer your credits to a four-year institution. To make your transfer as smooth as possible, we have established transfer partnerships with several Pennsylvania colleges and universities. We also possess accreditation from The Commission on Dental Accreditation.

The student from Lehigh Carbon Community College who has successfully completed specific general education requirements at LCCC and specific program requirements at MCCC may be granted admission to the Dental Hygiene Program per stated selective admission requirements at Montgomery County Community College. The student must see advisor or transfer counselor.

Montgomery County Community College (MCCC) will accept and grant credit for Lehigh Carbon Community College's courses that are listed as equivalent if the student has completed the course with a grade of "C" or higher.

## Program Competencies:

- Demonstrate basic knowledge of legal responsibilities and ethical considerations and apply those to dental hygiene care.
- Demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to provide dental hygiene care which meet professional standards and licensing examination eligibility.
- Promote optimal oral health and disease prevention as related to general health and wellness for all patients.
- Contribute as an integral member of the healthcare team and assess, plan, implement and evaluate oral health programs for diverse population groups while promoting access to care.
- Value life-long learning and commitment to professional development.

## Lehigh Carbon Community College equivalent courses to transfer:

ENG 105	Research and Composition	3
ENG 111	Speech	3
ENG 201		
	or higher	World Literature I or other 200-level ENG
SOC 150	Introduction to Sociology	3
PSY 140	Introduction to Psychology	3
BIO 163	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 124	Nutrition	3
BIO 164	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 220	Introduction to Microbiology	4
<b>Credit Total</b>		<b>30</b>

## The following classes are to be taken at Montgomery County Community College upon acceptance into the clinical portion of the Dental Hygiene program:

DHG 100	Theory and Practice of Dental Hygiene I	4
DHG 111	Dental Anatomy	2
DHG 155	Dental Radiology	2
DHG 158	Theory and Practice of Dental Hygiene II	5
DHG 159	Histology and Pathology of Oral Tissues	3
DHG 161	Periodontics I	2
DHG 224	Materials in Dentistry	2
DHG 261	Periodontics II	2
DHG 226	Dental Pain Control	2
DHG 228	Theory and Practice of Dental Hygiene III	8
DHG 253	Community Dentistry	2
DHG 258	Theory and Practice of Dental Hygiene IV	6
<b>Credit Total</b>		<b>40</b>