

2019



Dear Prospective Degree Completion Dental Hygiene Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Dental Hygiene Program at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. SIUC's Dental Hygiene Program is nationally recognized for both, quality of faculty and graduates.

Dental Hygienists with an Associate degree may apply for Bachelor of Science degree completion. Applicants are individually evaluated. The Capstone Option is available for graduates with an A.A.S. degree. For eligible students who meet Capstone requirements as outlined in the University Undergraduate Catalog, the Capstone Option provides an 11-credit-hour reduction in the core curriculum requirements.

All prospective dental hygiene degree completion students must:

1. Be admitted to SIUC in good academic standing prior to any materials being considered;
2. Have a minimum college cumulative GPA of 2.0 (as calculated by SIUC) at the time of application and entry into the program;
3. Have a completed dental hygiene application packet on file;
4. Be a graduate from an accredited dental hygiene program;
5. If currently completing a degree in dental hygiene, provide documentation from the dental hygiene program director at your school confirming your good standing and anticipated graduation date.

You are responsible for making certain all procedures in the application process have been completed. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or the admission process, please contact me by phone at 618-453-8880, FAX 618-453-7020, or e-mail at fymbags@siu.edu

Sincerely,

Faith Miller
Dental Hygiene Program

Enclosures

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Follow the steps below to complete the application process for degree completion. It is advisable to confirm that all materials have been received by the Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee. Please call the Academic Advisor at (618) 453-8869 to check on the status of your file.

Step 1 – Apply to Southern Illinois University for admission into the Dental Hygiene applicant pool. This requires submission of official copies of transcripts for all college coursework.

Step 2 - Submit the Dental Hygiene Degree Completion application.

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR APPLICANTS

1. Applications will not be accepted more than one year in advance of the desired entry date.
2. You must have a minimum college cumulative GPA of 2.0 (as calculated by SIUC) at the time of application **AND** entry into the program.



DEGREE COMPLETION APPLICATION

Dental Hygiene Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Last Name		First Name		Middle	
Present Address			Legal Residence Address		
City	State	Zip	City	State	Zip
(____) _____ - _____		_____			
Telephone Number		E-mail			
____ / ____ / ____		_____			
Date of Birth		Dawg Tag			

SECTION 1 — Complete this section **ONLY** if you are now licensed as a dental hygienist.

- I completed a dental hygiene program at _____
- Date of completion of dental hygiene program _____
- I am licensed in the following state(s):

Check the **one** box that most accurately represents your work experience as a dental hygienist:

- | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recently licensed, no experience as an R.D.H. | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time 1 - 3 years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time less than 1 year | <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time 4 - 10 years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time less than 1 year | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time 4 - 10 years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time 1 - 3 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 years of part-or full-time dental hygiene experience |

Have you ever taught in a dental hygiene program? Yes No
If yes, explain _____

Have you had any dental hygiene experience in a setting other than private practice (such as public health, sales, etc.)?
 Yes No
If yes, explain _____

Most recent dates of employment as a dental hygienist: _____

SECTION 2 — Complete this section **ONLY** if you are **CURRENTLY** enrolled in a dental hygiene program.

- I am currently a dental hygiene student at _____
- I will graduate _____ (date)

Please list all remaining courses needed to complete your degree and the semester they will be completed.

Semester	Course	Semester	Course

SECTION 3

DENTAL-RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

 Employer Dental Specialty Position Title Hours per Week Years/Months of Employment

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Answers to the following questions are not considered as a part of the selection process.

Why did you choose Dental Hygiene at SIUC? _____

What are your career goals? Check all that apply:

- | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Practice - Urban | <input type="checkbox"/> Management in Dental Company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Master of Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Sales in Dental Company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate | <input type="checkbox"/> Orthodontics | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> D.D.S./D.M.D. | <input type="checkbox"/> Periodontics | <input type="checkbox"/> Armed Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Private Practice - Rural | <input type="checkbox"/> Pedodontics | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please explain)_____ | | |

Why do you want to complete a baccalaureate degree in Dental Hygiene? Use a separate sheet of paper if needed.

I hereby certify that the information I submit in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Mail to: Academic Advisor – DH Online
School of Allied Health/Dental Hygiene
College of Applied Sciences and Arts
Mail Code 6615
Southern Illinois University
Carbondale, IL 62901

This may only apply to you if you are attending the On-Campus Degree Completion program:

ESTIMATED COST TO THE DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENT

There may be additional expenses for instruments or supplies. This will be determined upon entering the program. Students accepted into the Dental Hygiene Program will have expenses in addition to University tuition, fees, and books.

For financial assistance (loans, awards, and scholarships), contact:
Financial Aid Office/Woody Hall
Mail Code 4702
Southern Illinois University
Carbondale, IL 62901
(618) 453-4334

DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN

Each student's prior coursework will be evaluated individually. In addition to the senior year Dental Hygiene courses, some students will have additional requirements to complete the Bachelor of Science degree. All students must complete the University's Core Curriculum, Senior Institution hours, and total hour's requirements. We recommend that all students consult with the Dental Hygiene Academic Advisor prior to submitting their application so that he or she will be fully aware of all coursework required to complete the Bachelor's degree requirements.