

# OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dental Hygiene

**Preferred Course Sequence**

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Preadmission Requirements		General Education Courses	
Human Anatomy <b>BCS 165</b>  4	Human Physiology <b>BCS 205</b>  4	<sup>1</sup> Allied Health Nutrition <b>BCS 132</b>  3	Social & Behavioral Sciences <sup>3</sup> PLS 101, SOC 101, & <sup>4</sup> PSY 110 9 (total hours required)
Intro to Chemistry or higher <b>CHM 101</b>  4	Microbiology <b>BCS 200</b>  4	<sup>2</sup> Composition <b>ENG 101</b>  3	
Contemporary Mathematics or higher <b>MTH 128</b>  3		Oral Communications <b>COM 100 or COM 105</b>  3	

**Preadmission courses must be completed by the application deadline (spring semester)**

**Application Deadline: May 31**

## GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

- It is strongly recommended that students take the general education courses before applying to the DHY program.
- Students may take general education courses during the DHY program but this is not recommended.

<sup>1</sup> BCS 132 helps to build a foundation needed in all other BCS courses. One of the major components of this course is research as well as many concepts taught in BCS 165 (Human Anatomy).

<sup>2</sup> ENG 100 (Composition I w/support) or ENG 102 (Composition II) may be accepted as an alternative to ENG 101

<sup>3</sup> HST 120 or HST 130 may be accepted as an alternative to PLS 101

<sup>4</sup> PSY 130 Life Span Dev. Psychology may be accepted as an alternative to PSY 110

For further career guidance and to increase your knowledge of health professions, you are encouraged to participate in any or all of the following:

- Schedule appointment with an Allied Health Advisor by emailing [alliedhealth@otc.edu](mailto:alliedhealth@otc.edu)
- Attend an Allied Health Informational Session:  
<https://academics.otc.edu/alliedhealth/informational-sessions/>
- Complete one or more of these suggested General Education courses:  
 BCS 102 – Intro to Bioclinical Science (3 credit hour – seated)  
 HSC 110 - Introduction to Health Professions (1 credit hour-online)  
 HSC 120 – Medical Terminology (3 credit hours – online)

**EXCEPTIONS:** Contact Allied Health Admissions ([alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu](mailto:alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu)) if any of these apply:

- ✓ If you have completed BCS 120, BCS 145, BCS 146, or MTH 110 prior to the FA 18 semester.
- ✓ All BCS and CHM course(s) were completed more than 5 years ago.
- ✓ If a passing grade is not achieved after two attempts in any program pre-admission course(s), an applicant may not be considered for the program.
- ✓ If a 6 hour anatomy & physiology course has been taken at an accredited institution other than OTC and it has been taken within the last 5 years (based on final review of official transcript and in accordance with specific transfer credit), BCS 205 would be required to complete the 8 credit hour A&P progression.

**SELECTION PROCESS:**

- ✓ Selection into the DHY program is based on a point system. Review the “Candidate Selection Form” for the scoring rubric located on the DHY Admission Information webpage by clicking [here](#).
  - **Cumulative GPA includes all courses completed at OTC and transferred from accredited institutions to OTC.**
- ✓ Complete preadmission courses with a grade of “C” or higher for points as outlined in the Candidate Selection form.
- ✓ Preadmission courses must be completed by the end of the spring semester when applying.

**DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM COURSES:** This represents courses that will be taken following acceptance into the program through the selective admission application process.

FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	SPRING
Foundations of Dental Hygiene <b>DHY 100</b> (A Block) 2	Dental Hygiene I <b>DHY 150</b> (A Block) 2	Dental Hygiene II Pain Management <b>DHY 200</b> 2	Dental Hygiene III <b>DHY 205</b> (A Block) 2	Community Dental Health II <b>DHY 230</b> (A Block) 2
Intro to Dental Hygiene Pre-clinic Lab <b>DHY 101</b> (16 weeks) 3	Dental Hygiene I Pre-clinic Lab <b>DHY 152</b> (A Block) 2	Clinic <b>DHY 201</b> 2	Clinic <b>DHY 206</b> (16 weeks) 5	Dental Hygiene IV <b>DHY 250</b> (A Block) 2
Orofacial Anatomy <b>DHY 105</b> (A Block) 2	Clinic <b>DHY 153</b> (B Block) 2		Oral Pathology <b>DHY 210</b> (A Block) 2	Clinic <b>DHY 251</b> (16 weeks) 5
Oral Histology & Embryology <b>DHY 110</b> (B Block) 2	Pharmacology <b>DHY 155</b> (A Block) 2		Community Dental Health <b>DHY 215</b> (B Block) 2	
	Intro to Periodontology <b>DHY 160</b> (B Block) 2			

- **DAS courses required for students who did not graduate from an ADA accredited dental assisting program within the past 5 years.**
- **These courses are taken in the first year of the program.**

<b>FALL</b>	<b>SPRING</b>
Infection Prevention <b>DAS 102</b> <b>(Intercession)</b>  2	Dental Materials I <b>DAS 120</b>  3
Dental Radiology I <b>DAS 130</b>  3	Dental Radiology II <b>DAS 132</b> <b>(A Block – 1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks)</b>  3

- Review the “[Application Checklist](#)” to complete the application process.
- This block diagram is provided to aid in advising students and tracking course completion.
- OTC reserves the right to modify course titles, sequences and content in accordance with college procedures.
- For more information, visit the DHY webpage at: <https://academics.otc.edu/alliedhealth/dental-hygiene/>. You may also contact Allied Health Admissions at (417) 447-8954 or [alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu](mailto:alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu).