



DENTAL HYGIENE



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- STEP 1.** Submit your SCF application* at [SCF.edu/Apply](https://scf.edu/Apply).
- STEP 2.** Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of C with an earned GPA of 2.75 or better.
- STEP 3.** Submit your SCF Dental Hygiene program application* at [SCF.edu/Apply](https://scf.edu/Apply).
- STEP 4.** Send all supporting documents for program application to DentalHygiene@SCF.edu

**A nonrefundable application fee may apply.*



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE!

For more information or help with your forms:

Visit: [SCF.edu/FinancialAid](https://scf.edu/FinancialAid)

Email: AskFinAid@SCF.edu

Call: 941-752-5037



SCF Bradenton
5840 26th St. W., Bldg. 2
Bradenton, FL 34207



This **ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE (A.S.)** program provides students with a comprehensive education about oral health sciences and preventative dental care. Featuring a newly updated clinic, students receive valuable practical experience preparing them to pursue licensure and rewarding careers as dental hygiene clinicians and educators.

The program in Dental Hygiene is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Commission's web address is: <https://coda.ada.org/>.

State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota. State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota does not discriminate on the basis of sex (including pregnancy), race, religion, age, national origin/ethnicity, color, marital status, disability, genetic information and sexual orientation in any of its educational programs, services or activities, including admission and employment. Direct inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies to: Equity Officer, 941-752-5599, PO Box 1849, Bradenton, FL 34206.



GET STARTED

Program Information
941-752-5245

Apply Today!
941-752-5050



DentalHygiene@SCF.edu

[SCF.edu](https://scf.edu)

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COMMUNITY-CENTERED PROGRAM

SCF's Dental Hygiene program has grown tremendously over the last 25 years, most recently with a \$1.2 million clinic renovation in 2022. Dental services and cleanings are available to the community and are an integral part of the hands-on training for our students. The program consists of both classroom and clinical experience incorporating the dental "team concept," which involves four-handed dentistry and expanded dental functions that can legally be delegated to a dental hygienist in Florida. This is a limited enrollment program, and students are admitted once a year with classes beginning in the Summer term. Completion of all or part of the general academic courses required for the degree does not guarantee acceptance into the program. Priority is given to applicants who have completed the most required hours of general education coursework toward the degree by the end of the Fall term preceding the year of application. Graduates will be eligible to take the National Board Dental Hygiene Exam and State Licensing Examinations.

For more information about our program, visit: SCF.edu/DentalHygiene



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Two-year program
- Hybrid classes on-campus and online
- State-of-the-art facility
- Community-focused education and outreach
- Small class sizes with low student-to-faculty ratios
- Eligibility for licensing exams

EARNING POTENTIAL
Annual Median Salary
\$87,530*



POTENTIAL CAREER PATHS

An A.S. in Dental Hygiene degree can guide you toward many career opportunities in:

- Private dental practice
- Public health departments
- Institutional and research facilities
- Public and private schools



REQUIRED ACADEMIC COURSES

		Term Hours
BSC 2085*	Anatomy and Physiology I	3
BSC 2085L*	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1
CHM 1020C*	The Chemistry of Everyday Life or higher level	3
Mathematics	Choose from Area II, Category A	
MAC 1105*	College Algebra OR	
STA 2023*	Elementary Statistics (preferred)	3
BSC 2086	Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BSC 2086L	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1
MCB 2010C	Microbiology	4
PSY 2012	General Psychology	3
ENC 1101	Written Communication I	3
SYG 2000	Principles of Sociology	3
SPC 1608	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3
Humanities	Choose from Area IV, Category A	3
Civic Literacy	Choose from	
POS 1041	American Government OR	
AMH 1020	U.S. History 1877 to Present	3
		36

Students are encouraged to complete all academic courses before entering the program. *These courses MUST be completed by the time of Dental Hygiene program application.

REQUIRED DENTAL HYGIENE COURSES

		Term Hours
DES 1020C	Dental Anatomy (Sum)	2
DEH 1000	Introduction to Dental Hygiene (Sum)	2
DES 1010	Head and Neck Anatomy (Fall)	1
DES 1200C	Dental Radiography (Fall)	3
DEH 1002C	Intro. to Clinical Procedures (Fall)	6
DEH 1720	Preventive Dentistry (Fall)	1
DES 1100C	Dental Materials (Spr)	3
DEH 1130	Oral Embryology & Histology (Spr)	1
DEH 1800C	Clinical Dental Hygiene I (Spr)	5
DEH 2822	Dental Office Emergencies (Spr)	1
DEH 2802C	Clinical Dental Hygiene II (Sum)	4
DEH 2602	Periodontology (Sum)	2
DEH 2300	Pharmacology and Pain Control (Fall)	3
DEH 2400	General and Oral Pathology (Fall)	2
DEH 2804C	Clinical Dental Hygiene III (Fall)	7
DEH 2702	Community Dental Health (Spr)	2
DEH 2702L	Community Dental Health Lab (Spr)	1
DEH 2806C	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV (Spr)	6
		52

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS

88

*Salary based on 2023 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Report.