

**HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM  
ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES FOR FALL 2026  
QUALIFICATION DEADLINE – JANUARY 29, 2026**

**Dental Hygienist**

A dental hygienist is a licensed preventative oral care professional that provides educational, clinical, and therapeutic services to the public. In order to become prepared to perform these services, the dental hygienist requires an extensive educational background. Most people first meet the dental hygienist in a private dental office where the hygienist performs many critical services that detect, prevent, and treat diseases of the mouth. Career paths for the dental hygienist include positions in clinical dentistry, administration, sales, education, research, consumer advocacy, hospital dentistry, and public health. Career opportunities are global.

**Responsibilities of a Licensed Dental Hygienist**

Dental Hygiene graduates from our program will be able to:

- Perform infection control procedures.
- Perform general and oral health assessments.
- Provide nutritional counseling and self-care programs to prevent disease.
- Examine head, neck, and oral regions for disease.
- Expose and process radiographs and perform other diagnostic tests.
- Complete oral prophylaxis and other preventive services.
- Administer medications prescribed by a licensed dentist.
- Provide oral hygiene care instruction.
- Place and remove temporary fillings and periodontal dressings.
- Remove sutures.

**Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program Mission**

The mission of the Dental Hygiene Program is to facilitate the development of professional, ethical, and competent entry-level dental hygienists that exhibit the following:

- An awareness of their present and future roles and responsibilities within the profession and the community served.
- The knowledge and clinical skills necessary to provide comprehensive care to patients.
- A commitment to lifelong learning and professional development.

The dental hygiene curriculum provides the dental hygiene student with the knowledge and skills to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate dental hygiene care for the individual and the community. The curriculum also teaches the dental hygiene student to collaborate with the dentist, the patient, and other health professionals to provide comprehensive patient care. Graduates will receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree and will be eligible to take national and clinical dental hygiene licensing examinations.

## MINIMUM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

All items (#1-6) must be completed and submitted by **January 29, 2026**

1. Submit a completed Halifax Community College Application ([www.halifaxcc.edu](http://www.halifaxcc.edu)) indicating Dental Hygiene (A45260) as the Program of Study
2. Submit official transcripts:
  - a. records of high school graduation or equivalency
  - b. all post-secondary transcripts
3. Complete course requirements or submit minimum scores on placement tests **if college courses have not been completed**

Meet **MATH** proficiency with one of the following:

Completion of a college level mathematics course with a minimum grade of "C"

Completion of prerequisites to be eligible to take CHM 130

A minimum score on a placement test (ACT, SAT, NC Community College placement test)

Meet high school GPA policy to waive placement test and place into CHM 130.

Meet **ENGLISH/READING** proficiency with one of the following:

Completion of ENG 111 or equivalent with a minimum grade of "C"

Completion of prerequisites to be eligible to register for ENG 111 without co-requisite

Meet minimum score on a placement test (ACT, SAT, NC Community College placement test)

Meet high school GPA policy to waive placement test and place into ENG 111 without co-requisite.

Meet **CHEMISTRY** Proficiency requirement with one of the following:

Complete CHM 090 with a "C" or better

Complete high school chemistry with a "C" or better

Complete college Chemistry (CHM 130/CHM 131/CHM 151) with a "C" or better

4. Attend a 2025-2026 Dental Hygiene Information Session to receive updates on the application and selection process to the HCC Dental Hygiene Program. **The applicant must attend an information session for the 2026 application cycle.** (page 3)

**Please call the Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program (252-536-7219) for further information on the specifics of the Dental Hygiene Information Sessions.**

5. A minimum score of 65% on the HESI A2 placement examination

INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR 2025-2026 APPLICATION CYCLE		
DAY	DATE	TIME
Monday	August 25, 2025	5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	September 23, 2025	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	October 22, 2025	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	November 20, 2025	5:00 p.m.
Friday	December 12, 2025	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday	January 7, 2026	5:00 p.m.

6. Complete the Dental Hygiene Health Sciences Admission Application. This application is available after the applicants attend a 2025-2026 Dental Hygiene Information Session.
7. Provide evidence of an overall 2.8 GPA  
*\*GPA is determined by **most recent** college transcript with a minimum of 12 hours of non-developmental credit.*
8. Submit **one** of the following documents:
  - a. Completed Dental Observation **and** Dental Hygiene Interview Form (page 7)
  - b. Completed Certificate of Current Enrollment in ADA accredited Dental Assisting Program Form
  - c. (page 8)
  - d. Completed Dental Assisting Experience Documentation Form (page 9)
9. **\*\*Once an applicant has attended an information session and completed a Health Sciences Application, they are then eligible to register for the HESI A2 placement examination at HCC.\*\*** After attending an information session, applicants will need to take the HESI admission assessment (A2). Testing will be offered at Halifax Community College from August 2025 through January 2026. Test scores are valid for three years (for example, for the 2026 application year, the HESI A2 test must have been completed no earlier than February 2023). Applications with submissions beyond the deadline will not be considered. Students may take the HESI A2 at HCC up to two times per admission cycle. Please make the testing coordinator aware if you are a second time test taker. Preference for testing dates will be given to first time test takers. Test results are accepted from external testing sites provided an official copy of the results are submitted to HCC Admissions prior to the deadline. Students will be required to pay \$61.00 (fees subject to change) with each attempt to take the A2. Fees need to be paid at the HCC Cashier's Office. Please bring a copy of your receipt with you on testing day. Picture ID is required at the testing site. A minimum score of 65% is required for consideration. Students who are repeat testers must notify the testing coordinator prior to sitting for the exam. Please reach out to Ms. Tonia Lashley, testing coordinator, at **tlashley172@halifaxcc.edu** or **252-536-6389**, for questions regarding testing registration.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

- Admission to the Dental Hygiene Program is limited to eighteen (18) students each August.
- Applications will be accepted through January 29, 2026.
- Applicants must submit all required documents to the HCC Admissions Office, including all test scores by January 29, 2026.
- **Applicants are responsible for submitting all required documents by January 29, 2026.**
- Deadlines, guidelines, and policies apply equally to all students

Halifax Community College does not maintain a waiting list. **Applicants to the Dental Hygiene Program must reapply each year.** Applicants who are not selected to the Dental Hygiene Program for the current admissions cycle must reapply each year.

## DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENT SELECTION PROCESS

The Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program uses a “*point system*” for the student selection process. Preference is given to students with the highest points based on the selection criteria, which include all completed documentation that is submitted by the deadline of **January 29, 2026**. **Please submit documents to**

**Halifax Community College Admissions Office**

**P. O. Drawer 809**

**Weldon, NC 27890**

## 2026 APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Complete North Carolina Residency Determination  
<https://ncresidency.cfnc.org/residencyInfo/>
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Complete Halifax Community College Application  
<http://halifaxcc.edu/Admissions/>
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Submit a Copy of **Signed Social Security Card**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Submit **official** High School Transcript or General Education Development (GED) Score
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Submit **official** College Transcripts
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Submit documentation of Placement Tests or College Course Credits:  
Meet **MATH** proficiency with one of the following:  
Completion of a college level mathematics course with a minimum grade of “C”  
Completion of prerequisites to be eligible to take CHM 130  
A minimum score on a placement test (ACT, SAT, NC Community College placement test)  
Meet high school GPA policy to waive placement test and place into CHM 130.  
  
Meet **ENGLISH/READING** proficiency with one of the following:  
Completion of ENG 111 or equivalent with a minimum grade of “C”  
Completion of prerequisites to be eligible to register for ENG 111 without co-requisite  
Meet minimum score on a placement test (ACT, SAT, NC Community College placement test)  
Meet high school GPA policy to waive placement test and place into ENG 111 without co-requisite.  
  
Meet **CHEMISTRY** Proficiency requirement with one of the following:  
Complete CHM 090 with a “C” or better  
Complete high school chemistry with a “C” or better  
Complete college Chemistry (CHM 130/CHM 131/CHM 151) with a “C” or better
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Attend Mandatory **2026 Dental Hygiene Information Session**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Complete **ONE** of the following:
  - (1) Dental Observation Form and Typed Dental Hygiene Interview Responses
  - (2) Dental Assisting Experience Documentation Form
  - (3) Dental Assisting Diploma/Certificate Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Submit evidence of 2.8 Grade Point Average
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. A minimum score of 65% on the HESI placement examination

## 2026 SELECTION POINTS CRITERIA

General education courses must be completed **prior** to January 29, 2026 and submitted on an **official** transcript to earn selection points.

Completion of general education courses is highly recommended prior to application to the program

Academic Point System: A = 4                      B = 3                      C = 2                      D or below = not accepted

*Multiply the final course grade by the points awarded for the grade that is listed above.*

*Example: Final grade in BIO168 = A; BIO 168 = 4 credit hours      4 x 4 = 16*

ACADEMIC POINTS		
Classes	Credit Hours	Highest Academic Points
BIO 168*    Anatomy & Physiology I	4 credit hours	<b>16</b>
BIO 169*    Anatomy & Physiology II	4 credit hours	<b>16</b>
BIO 175*    Microbiology (or BIO 275)	3 credit hours	<b>12</b>
CHM 130*    General and Organic Chemistry (or CHM 131, CHM 151)	3 credit hours	<b>12</b>
<b>Highest Total Academic Points</b>		<b>56</b>

**\*SCIENCE Courses must be completed no earlier than three years prior to application, no earlier than 2023.**

ADDITIONAL CRITERIA for SELECTION POINTS	
Criteria	Maximum Points
Dental Assistant Experience *Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) = 5 points *Dental Assistant II (DA II) = 5 points *Dental Assistant I (DA I) = 3 points	<b>5</b>
Cumulative GPA *GPA is determined by most recent college transcript with a minimum of 12 hours of non-developmental credit. If student has no transcript with 12 or more credit hours, then high school GPA is used to determine eligibility. ≤ 2.8 = 0 (minimum GPA to be considered for selection) 2.9 – 3.0 = 3 additional points 3.1 – 3.5 = 5 additional points 3.6 – 4.0 = 10 additional points	<b>10</b>
Evidence of a Completed Degree from an accredited institution Associate Degree = + 5 Bachelor Degree = + 10 Master Degree = + 15	<b>15</b>
Resident of Halifax County or Northampton County	<b>5</b>
HIGHEST ACADEMIC POINTS = 56 points + HIGHEST ADDITIONAL SELECTION POINTS = 35 points <b>MAXIMUM SELECTION POINTS = 91 POINTS</b>	

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS for CONSIDERATION	
HESI EXAMINATION	Minimum score of 65%

## DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicants who have credit for any **DEN** didactic courses will be **required to audit** the course during the respective semester in the curriculum. A student who audits a course is required to obtain written permission to audit the course. The audited course(s) will not be covered by financial aid.

If a prospective student has credit for any **DEN preclinic lab or clinic course from another institution**, the student is **required to retake** the course in order to graduate from the Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program.

**Prospective students must adhere to the policies of the HCC Dental Hygiene Program including, but not limited to:**

- Attendance
- Class preparation
- Clinic preparation
- Respect for self and others
- Dress code
- Use of recording devices
- Professional conduct
- Policies and procedures of Halifax Community College
- AI limitations for each DEN class

**Students selected into the Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program must**

- Be at least 18 years old
- Complete a physical exam form
- Be CPR certified
- Have documentation of immunizations:
  - Tuberculosis Screening---mandatory
  - Hepatitis B---mandatory
  - Measles / Mumps / Rubella---mandatory
- Purchase student malpractice insurance
- Purchase required clinical equipment (instruments / handpieces / personal protective equipment)

***\*\*\*Halifax Community Dental Hygiene Program reserves the right to make revisions and/or changes in the admissions process as the need arises. \*\*\****



**HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
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DENTAL HYGIENE OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW FORM (page 1)**

*Instructions: Please complete the requested information below. The applicant and the registered dental hygienist must sign this form. The applicant must type the interview responses using the format example on page 2. The observation must be completed within 12 months of submission.*

Applicant's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dental Hygienist's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Dental Hygienist's License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Dental Practice: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dental Practice Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dental Hygienist's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Your signature gives Halifax Community College Admissions Department and Dental Hygiene Program permission to contact you to verify the applicant's observation hours and interview with you.***

**Applicant's Observation Schedule (APPLICANT MUST OBSERVE FOR EIGHT (8) HOURS)**

Date	Arrival Time	Departure Time





**HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
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DENTAL HYGIENE OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW FORM (page 2)**

***Applicant:***

***Please interview a licensed dental hygienist employed by the dental practice and TYPE the responses to the following questions. Please refer to the Format Example below.***

1. Identify practices and procedures you provide in this facility.
2. What are some of your specific job duties not related to dental hygiene practice?
3. How long have you been a dental hygienist in this dental practice?
4. How long have you been licensed to practice dental hygiene?
5. How many patients do you treat in an average workday?
6. Do you have any input in scheduling patients?
7. What is the length of the work week (days of operation per week)?
8. What is the length of an average workday (daily hours)?
9. What type of clinical attire is required in this dental practice?
10. Who are the other members of the dental practice?
11. Are staff meetings regularly scheduled and when?
12. Identify the rewards of the dental hygiene profession.
13. Identify the challenges of the dental hygiene profession.
14. What type of community services are you involved with?
15. Describe the effects of COVID-19 on your practice as a dental hygienist.

**Format Example:**

*How long have you been licensed to practice dental hygiene?*

***I have been licensed to practice dental hygiene for 5 years.***

*Are staff meetings regularly scheduled and when?*

***Staff meetings are conducted weekly on Monday from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.***



## **CERTIFICATE OF CURRENT ENROLLMENT**

### **Dental Assisting Program American Dental Association Accredited Commission on Dental Accreditation**

Please verify the applicant is currently enrolled as a dental assisting student in good standing in the identified Dental Assisting Program accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

Dental Assistant Program \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Please Print Program Director's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Program Director's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## DENTAL ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE DOCUMENTATION

**Applicant Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print

Please verify your dental assisting experience.

**Dental Assistant II (21 NCAC 16H .0104 DENTAL ASSISTANT II)**

*Successful completion of:*

- *ADA-accredited dental assisting program and current certification in CPR; or*
- *One academic year or longer in an ADA-accredited dental hygiene program (2)successful completion of:*
- *Full-time employment and experience as a chairside assistant for two years (3,000 hours) of the preceding five,*

Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program Selection Points for **Dental Assistant II** = 5 points

Please submit certificate of completion from your dental assisting program

**Dental Assistant I (21 NCAC 16H .0102DENTAL ASSISTANT I)**

- *Assisted a dentist as a chairside assistant for a minimum of 12 months*
- *Performed only routine dental assisting procedures such as oral hygiene instruction, chairside assisting, application of topical fluorides or topical anesthetics, and exposure of radiographs, provided that the assistant can show compliance with radiography training*

Halifax Community College Dental Hygiene Program Selection Points for **Dental Assistant I** = 3 points

- Please have the dental office representative complete the information below
- Please submit any completed dental assisting training certificates

### Documentation by Employer for Dental Assistant I

Dental Facility Name \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above dental assisting information concerning this applicant are valid and legal.**

Dental Facility Representative Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Dental Hygiene applicant must submit copies of any applicable dental assisting certifications.**

**DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM COURSE COMPLETION GUIDE (2025-2026)**

<b>FALL SEMESTER FIRST YEAR</b>						
Course #	Course Title	Prerequisites:	Corequisites:	Credit Hours	Lecture	Lab/Clinical
BIO 168	Anatomy & Physiology I	(General Education Course)	*	4	3	3
DEN 110	Orofacial Anatomy	Enrollment in DH Program	*	3	2	3
DEN 111	Infection/Hazard Control	Enrollment in DH Program	*	2	2	0
DEN 112	Dental Radiography	Enrollment in DH Program	*	3	2	3
DEN 120	Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lecture	Enrollment in DH Program	DEN 121	2	2	0
DEN 121	Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lab	Enrollment in DH Program	DEN 120	2	0	6
<b>Total Credit Hours Fall Semester First Year = 16</b>				<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>SPRING SEMESTER FIRST YEAR</b>						
Course #	Course Title	Prerequisites:	Corequisites:	Credit Hours	Lecture	Lab/Clinical
CHM 130	Gen., Org., & Bio Chemistry	(General Education Course)	*	3	3	0
BIO 169	Anatomy & Physiology II	BIO 168	*	4	3	3
DEN 125	Dental Office Emergencies	Enrollment in DH	*	1	0	2
DEN 130	Dental Hygiene Theory I	DEN 120	DEN 131	2	2	0
DEN 131	Dental Hygiene Clinic I	DEN 121	DEN 130	3	0	9
DEN 124	Periodontology	Enrollment in DH	*	2	0	2
<b>Total Credit Hours Spring Semester First Year = 15</b>				<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>SUMMER SEMESTER FIRST YEAR</b>						
Course #	Course Title	Prerequisites:	Corequisites:	Credit Hours	Lecture	Lab/Clinical
BIO 175	General Microbiology	BIO 168 (General Education Course)	*	3	2	2
ENG 111	Expository Writing	(General Education Course)	*	3	3	0
DEN 123	Nutrition/Dental Health	Enrollment in DH Program	*	2	2	0
DEN 140	Dental Hygiene Theory II	DEN 130	DEN 141	2	1	2
DEN 141	Dental Hygiene Clinic II	DEN 131	DEN 140	2	0	6
<b>Total Credit Hours Summer Semester First Year = 12</b>				<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>

FALL SEMESTER SECOND YEAR							
COMPLETED	Course #	Course Title	Prerequisites:	Corequisites:	Credit Hours	Lecture	Lab/Clinical
	SOC 240	Social Psychology	(General Education Course)	*	3	3	0
	PSY 150*	General Psychology			3		
	SOC 210*	Introduction to Sociology			3		
	DEN 220	Dental Hygiene Theory III	DEN 140	DEN 221	2	2	0
	DEN 221	Dental Hygiene Clinic III	DEN 141	DEN 220	4	0	12
	DEN 222	General/Oral Pathology	Enrollment in DH Program	*	2	2	0
	DEN 223	Dental Pharmacology	CHM 130 DEN 125	DEN 224	2	2	0
<b>Total Credit Hours Fall Semester Second Year = 13</b>					<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>

SPRING SEMESTER SECOND YEAR							
COMPLETED	Course #	Course Title	Prerequisites:	Corequisites:	Credit Hours	Lecture	Lab/Clinical
	HUM 115	Critical Thinking		*	3	3	0
	ENG 114	Prof. Research & Reporting	ENG 111 (General Education Course)	*	3	3	0
	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc	ENG 111 (General Education Course)	*	3		
	COM 231	Public Speaking			3		
	DEN 230	Dental Hygiene Theory IV	DEN 220	DEN 231	1	1	0
	DEN 231	Dental Hygiene Clinic IV	DEN 221	DEN 230	4	0	12
	DEN 232	Community Dental Health	Enrollment in DH	*	3	2	3
	DEN 233	Professional Development	Enrollment in DH	*	2	2	0
	DEN 224	Materials & Procedures	DEN 111	*	2	1	3
<b>Total Credit Hours Spring Semester Second Year = 18</b>					<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS DENTAL HYGIENE CURRICULUM = 74**

**\*Science courses must be completed no earlier than 2023.**

**BIO 168**

**BIO 169**

**BIO 175 or BIO 275**

**CHM 130 or CHM 131 or CHM 151**

**SUGGESTED GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE SEQUENCE FOR DENTAL HYGIENE****PRIOR TO SELECTION INTO THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM****Semester 1**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
BIO 168 (Anatomy & Physiology I)	4 credit hours
ENG 111 (Expository Writing)	3 credit hours
CHM 130 (General, Organic & Biochemistry) or CHM 131 (Introduction to Chemistry) or CHM 151 (General Chemistry I)	3 credit hours  3 credit hours  4 credit hours
SOC 240 (Social Psychology) or <i>SOC 210 (Introduction to Sociology)*</i> + <i>PSY 150 (Introduction to Psychology)*</i>	3 credit hours  or <i>3 credit hours*</i> + <i>3 credit hours*</i>

**Semester 2**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>
BIO 169 (Anatomy & Physiology II)	4 credit hours	BIO 168
HUM 115 (Critical Thinking)	3 credit hours	ENG 045
ENG 114 (Professional Research & Reporting) or ENG 112 (Writing Research) COM 231 (Public Speaking) *	3 credit hours or 3 credit hours* and 3 credit hours*	ENG 111

**Summer**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>
BIO 175 (General Microbiology) Or BIO 275 (Microbiology)	3 credit hours	BIO 168

**DENTAL HYGIENE CURRICULUM COURSE SEQUENCE**

<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
First Year	DEN 110 (Orofacial Anatomy)	3
Fall	DEN 111 (Infection/Hazard Control)	2
Semester	DEN 112 (Dental Radiography)	3
	DEN 120 (Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lecture)	2
	DEN 121 (Dental Hygiene Preclinic Lab)	2
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
First Year	DEN 124 (Periodontology)	2
Spring	DEN 125 (Dental Office Emergencies)	1
Semester	DEN 130 (Dental Hygiene Theory I)	2
	DEN 131 (Dental Hygiene Clinic I)	3
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>8</b>
First Year	DEN 140 (Dental Hygiene Theory II)	2
Summer	DEN 141 (Dental Hygiene Clinic II)	2
Semester	DEN 123 (Nutrition/Dental Health)	2
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
Second	DEN 220 (Dental Hygiene Theory III)	2
Year Fall	DEN 221 (Dental Hygiene Clinic III)	4
Semester	DEN 223 (Dental Pharmacology)	2
	DEN 222 (General and Oral Pathology)	2
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
Second	DEN 230 (Dental Hygiene Theory IV)	1
Year Spring	DEN 231 (Dental Hygiene Clinic IV)	4
Semester	DEN 232 (Community Dental Health)	3
	DEN 233 (Professional Development)	2
	DEN 224 (Materials and Procedures)	2
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

*Successful completion of all required general education courses and dental hygiene curriculum courses prepare students for the National Board Dental Hygiene Exam and dental hygiene clinical licensing exams.*

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

**1. HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMISSIONS**

<http://halifaxcc.edu/Admissions/>  
**252-536-7225**

**2. PLACEMENT TESTING**

<http://halifaxcc.edu/Admissions/Placement/>

**3. FINANCIAL AID**

<http://www.halifaxcc.edu/Depts/FinancialAid/>

**4. SCHOLARSHIPS**

<http://halifaxcc.edu/Foundation/Scholarships/>

**5. COUNSELING**

<http://www.halifaxcc.edu/Depts/Counseling/>

**6. STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

<http://www.halifaxcc.edu/Students/SSS/>

**7. STUDENT HANDBOOK**

<http://halifaxcc.edu/Academics/Catalog/>

**8. TUITION AND FEES**

<http://halifaxcc.edu/Academics/Tuition/>



## **2026 DENTAL HYGIENE APPLICATION SCHEDULE and PROCEDURES**

1. January 29, 2026 is the deadline for submitting application documents to:

Halifax Community College Admissions Office  
P. O. Drawer 809  
Building 300  
Weldon, NC 27890

2. HCC Admissions Office reviews the submitted application documents
3. HCC Dental Hygiene Selection Review Committee tallies application points
4. HCC Admissions Office notifies the selected applicants for the Dental Hygiene Program
5. HCC Admissions Office notifies the students not selected for the Dental Hygiene Program
6. HCC Dental Hygiene Program forwards program-specific orientation information to the selected students

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