

LSUHSC – New Orleans Dental Hygiene Program

Listed below are the prerequisite courses for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Program at the LSU Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry in New Orleans.

Program requirements are determined by LSUHSC. Admission to the program is on a competitive basis. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee program admission.

The admissions committee considers cumulative GPA, science GPA, quality of courses taken, ACT scores, and experience in the dental/ dental hygiene field.

English Composition	Required – 6 hours
	ENGL 1157 (3 hours) – English Composition I: Minimum ACT English score of 18
	ENGL 1158 (3 hours) – English Composition II: Credit in ENGL 1157
English Literature	Required – 3 hours
	ENGL 2000+ (3 hours) – English Literature: C or better in ENGL 1158
Humanities	Required – 9 hours
	Choose from Literature, Foreign Language, Philosophy, Communications, or History. At least one course must be at the 2000+ level.
General Chemistry (for science	Required – 6 hours
majors)	CHEM 1017 (3 hours) – General Chemistry I: Eligible for MATH 1125
	CHEM 1018 (3 hours) – General Chemistry II: C or better in CHEM 1017
General Biology (for science majors)	Required – 6 hours
	BIOS 1083 (3 hours) – General Biology I: Eligible for MATH 1125 & ENGL 1157
	BIOS 1073 (3 hours) – General Biology II: Eligible for MATH 1125 & ENGL 1157
Biology Lab (for science majors)	Required – 1 hour
	Choose one Biology lab that corresponds with one of the Biology lecture requirements: BIOS 1081, 1071, 1301, or 2741
Human Anatomy & Physiology (for science majors)	Required—3 hours
	BIOS 1303 (3 hours) – Human Anatomy & Physiology I: Eligible for MATH 1125 & ENGL 1157
Academic Elective	Required— 5 hours
	Anything except P.E. courses. Recommendations: BIOS 1313, BIOS 2313, Psychology, Speech
Math	Required – 6 hours
	MATH 1115 (3 hours) – College Algebra: Minimum ACT Math score of 19
	MATH 2314 (3 hours) – Elementary Statistical Methods: Credit in MATH 1115 or higher or 6 credit hours of mathematics courses at least 1000
General Psychology	Required – 3 hours
	PSYC 1000 (3 hours) – General Psychology



Microbiology (for Science majors)	Required – 3 hours BIOS 2743 (3 hours) – Microbiology & Human Disease: C or better in CHEM 1017 & BIOS 1083/1081 or BIOS 1303/1301
Art Elective	Required – 3 hours Recommended subjects are Music, Art, Dance, or Theater
Introductory Sociology	Required – 3 hours SOC 1051 (3 hours) – Introductory Sociology
Speech	Required – 3 hours FTA 2650 (3 hours) – Oral Communications
Total Credits	60

LSU School of Dentistry (Dental Hygiene) **Admission Requirements**

- 1. Completion of the above listed courses with a G.P.A. of at least a C in all required courses.
- 2. Application is made on-line through the ADEA Dental Hygiene Centralized Application Service (ADEA DHCAS). Applications open at the beginning of November of the year prior to year of application and close mid-February in the year prior to which you are applying for entry. This information is subject to change.
- 3. Students may apply for the Dental Hygiene Program before completing all classes. However, all required courses (60 credit hours) for the LSU program must be completed prior to registration in the Dental Hygiene Program. All Science courses must be taken within 5 years of application and through an in-person and not on-line format. All other pre-requisites must be completed within 10 years of application and may be on-line.

Potential applicants are strongly encouraged to visit the LSU SD Admissions web page (https://www.lsusd.lsuhsc.edu/HygAdmissions.html) and to carefully read all of the up to date information regarding the application process.

This information is subject to change. For current and complete application information, visit the LSUHSC School of Dentistry website at http://www.lsusd.lsuhsc.edu/fshygiene.html.