



# FALL 2010 HEALTH PROFESSIONS ADMISSIONS INSTRUCTIONS

## DENTAL HYGIENE

For more information regarding the Health Professions or any other programs at SUNY Orange, please contact the SUNY Orange Admissions Office at (845) 341-4030 or visit us on the web at <http://www.sunyorange.edu/admissions/programs/healthreq.shtml>.

**All applicants for a Health Professions Program must meet the requirements listed below for consideration.**

- **Students must submit an eligibility form each year they wish to be considered for admission.** However, pre-Admissions Orientations and Observation Forms (if applicable) are valid for three years.
- **All admission requirements must be in and/or complete by February 1st.**
- **Priority in admission to all Health Professions Programs is given to legal Orange County residents and those applicants who have attended SUNY Orange.** Nursing applicants who are not legal Orange County residents are considered only if there are seats available in the program after all Orange County residents are reviewed (unless they graduated from an Orange County high school within 5 years).
- Current enrollment is not required for consideration.
- You may submit an Admissions Eligibility Form for one health program only. If you are interested in Nursing, you must choose either Day or Evening Nursing.

In addition to completing the process listed on the eligibility form before the **February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline**, New Applicants and Readmitted Students must follow the application process described in the viewbook for admission into the college. Once you apply to the college, you will receive a packet containing a Health Professions Admissions Eligibility Form.

### Important Notes Regarding the Health Professions at SUNY Orange

#### Number of Seats Available in Each Program:

Dental Hygiene: 20	Nursing (Day): 96	Occupational Therapy Assistant: 24
Medical Laboratory Technology: 18	Nursing (Evening Part-Time): 32	Physical Therapist Assistant: 24
		Radiologic Technology: 24

- All Health Professions Programs are two year sequences. As a result, the length of the program will be two years from the fall in which you are accepted.
- All clinical and professional courses in the Health Professions Programs meet during the day with the exception of Evening Nursing (4-10pm).
- Admissions requirements are subject to change each academic year. Please keep in contact with your academic advisor regularly in order to stay informed of possible revisions of admissions requirements.
- Please be aware that meeting the Admissions requirements for a Health Professions Program does not guarantee admission into the program due to a limited number of seats in each program.
- All students accepted into a Health Professions program must successfully complete a physical examination which includes a Tuberculosis screening and 10 panel drug test. Information about this requirement will be distributed to students at the department orientation in the spring/summer after acceptance.
- Students who are applying for a second attempt in a Health Professions Program must submit a re-entry admission form available in the Admissions Office or at the website listed below.

# Dental Hygiene

Accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, American Dental Association  
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A Dental Hygienist is a preventive oral health professional who provides educational, clinical, and therapeutic services to the public. Graduates from this program find employment in private, solo and group practices, hospitals and other health service agencies, public schools, and other public institutions.

## Program facts about Dental Hygiene

- This program was established in 1975.
- The college accepts 20 students into the program each fall semester.
- Approximately 375 students have graduated from the program since its inception.
- Every student has been placed into at least one or more positions after graduation.
- This program offers an articulation agreement with the Forsyth School for Dental Hygienists affiliated with Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Boston and Pennsylvania College of Technology affiliated with Penn State University

## Admissions Requirements

### **Academic Requirements:**

- Earned a high school diploma or GED.
- Eligible to take Freshman English I (ENG 101).
- Eligible to take Intermediate Algebra (MAT 102), or have completed Elementary Algebra (MAT 101) or equivalent with a 2.0 or higher.
- Completed within 5 years of deadline: Intro to Biology (BIO 110) or Anatomy & Physiology I (BIO 111), with a 2.0 or higher; or High School AP Biology (score of 3, 4, or 5); or a passing grade on the Biology CLEP examination.
- Completed within 5 years of deadline: High School Regents Chemistry with a grade of 75 or better; Elements of Chemistry & Physics (CHM 120); or a college Chemistry course (with a lab) with a grade of 2.0 or better.
- Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.

### **Department Specific Requirements:**

- Submit Dental Hygienist observation form (16 hour minimum with documentation).
- Attendance at a Dental Hygiene department pre-admission orientation. At this orientation, students will receive and sign off on information pertaining to health forms, drug testing, and criminal record policies.

## Selection Process

Students will be considered for admission into this program based on the completion of all mandatory eligibility requirements, highest combination of cumulative GPA and credits completed towards the program\* (listed below), and seats available. Students must meet all of the above requirements to be considered for admission into the program.

**All Dental Hygiene Admissions Eligibility Requirements must be completed before February 1<sup>st</sup> in order for a student to be given priority consideration for admission into the program for the fall semester.**

**\*Though not admissions requirements, completing the courses below will enhance your admission eligibility**

**(27 credits total):** Please be aware that if you have not taken the course within the timeframe listed below, you must retake the course.

ENG 101 Freshman English I (11101)**	(3 cr.)
ENG 102 Freshman English II (11102)	(3 cr.)
COM 101 Foundations of Communication (13110)	(3 cr.)
PSY 101 General Psychology I (25111)	(3 cr.)
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (27201)	(3 cr.)
BIO 125 Nutrition (31111)	(3 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
BIO 115 Human Biology (31122)	(4 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
MLT 106 Microbiology for Health Professionals (63106)	(3 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness (99197-8)	(1 cr.)
PES --- Physical Ed. (Activity Course) (99---)	(.5 cr.)
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\*\*The numbers in parenthesis ( ) are course numbers prior to Summer 2007.