

# Lakeland

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PROGRAM GUIDE

Applied Studies Division

## Dental Hygiene

- Associate of Applied Science Degree in Dental Hygiene

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Dental Hygiene is a prestigious health career that offers increasing responsibilities because of the growing awareness of the importance of oral health.

The dental hygienist is a licensed member of the dental health team dedicated to helping patients maintain good oral health and prevent diseases and disorders. The dental hygienist performs a wide range of duties related to the provision of dental care, including preventive prophylaxis (cleaning of teeth), patient education and other therapeutic services.

## Career Opportunities

Most dental hygienists are employed in private practice dental offices. However, hygienists are highly involved in other areas of preventive dentistry such as dental health education, community health and public dental health.

Typically, hygienists in private practice provide the following services: oral prophylaxis (removing deposits and stains from teeth); exposing, processing and mounting x-rays; instructing in preventive dental care; dietary counseling; performing specific lab procedures; and taking medical and dental histories. Within school systems, hygienists function as both clinicians and educators. Dental hygienists employed in public health agencies typically have clinical, consultative or supervisory/administrative responsibilities. Hygienists may also find employment as researchers in public health departments, hospitals, schools of dentistry or dental hygiene and in industry.

Dental hygiene is projected to be one of the 20 fastest growing careers nationally. A career in this field offers flexible hours and excellent job opportunities. Since Lakeland's program began in 1972, 100 percent of all graduates gained employment in the field working in dentist offices, hospital dental units, public health clinics, sales and academic institutions.



## Lakeland's Program

The dental hygiene program is a two-year program leading to an Associate of Applied Science degree in dental hygiene. Lakeland students receive more than 700 hours of hands-on training working with patients in the state-of-the-art dental hygiene clinic at the college. Lakeland's dental hygiene program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Upon satisfactory completion of the Dental Hygiene National Board Examination, North East Regional Board Examination, and the Ohio Laws Test, graduates are eligible to apply for an Ohio Dental Hygiene License.

Lakeland's program is approved and accredited by the American Dental Association.

Commission on Dental Accreditation  
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Chicago, Illinois 60611  
312.440.4653 • [ada.org](http://ada.org)

## The Lakeland Advantage

- Lakeland students have access to a modern dental hygiene clinic, lecture rooms and study areas within the college.
- Students have opportunities to attend various seminars and conferences, observe dental specialty practices, and perform community service activities in addition to classroom instruction.
- Students participate as a student member of the American Dental Hygienists' Association.

## For more information

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**First Semester:**

BIOL 2210.....Anatomy and Physiology I.....	4
DNHY 1110.....Introduction to Preventive Oral Hygiene.....	4
DNHY 1111.....Anatomy of Orofacial Structures.....	5
DNHY 1112.....Dental Radiology.....	3
FYEX 1000.....First Year Experience.....	1
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**Second Semester:**

BIOL 2220.....Anatomy and Physiology II.....	4
DNHY 1122.....Nutrition and Preventive Oral Hygiene Concepts.....	2
DNHY 1123.....General and Oral Pathology.....	2
DNHY 1124.....Periodontics I.....	2
DNHY 1125.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Clinic I.....	3
DNHY 1126.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Seminar I.....	1
DNHY 1127.....Current Concepts in Dental Materials.....	2
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**Summer I:**

DNHY 2005.....Pain Management for Dental Hygienists.....	2
ENGL 1110*.....English Composition I (A).....	3
<b>OR</b>	
ENGL 1111.....English Composition I (B).....	
PSYC 1500.....Introduction to Psychology.....	3
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**Summer II:**

BIOL 2700.....Microbiology.....	4
ENGL 1120.....English Composition II.....	3
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**Third Semester:**

DNHY 2110.....Periodontics II.....	1
DNHY 2111.....Dental Pharmacology and Pain Control.....	2
DNHY 2112.....Community Dental Health I.....	1
DNHY 2113.....Dental Specialties and Extended Dental Hygiene Functions.....	2
DNHY 2114.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Clinic II.....	4
DNHY 2115.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Seminar II.....	1
SOCY 1150.....Principles of Sociology.....	3
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**Fourth Semester:**

COMM 1050.....Fundamentals of Public Speaking.....	2
<b>OR</b>	
COMM 1150.....Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication.....	
DNHY 2126.....Practice Management.....	1
DNHY 2127.....Community Dental Health II.....	2
DNHY 2128.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Clinic III.....	4
DNHY 2129.....Dental Hygiene Practice - Seminar III.....	1
MATH 1330 or higher**.....	3
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**Program Total: 75**

\*English course selection is based on placement test results (ENGL 1111 is 4 credits, only 3 credits apply to the degree).

\*\*Students planning to transfer to a four-year college should take a sequence of math as advised by their counselor.



To further your education, Lakeland's Holden University Center offers a variety of bachelor's degree programs from a number of four-year colleges and universities offering you the opportunity to *stay here and go far!* Visit [lakelandcc.edu/uc](http://lakelandcc.edu/uc) to explore your options.

## Lakeland Community College Admission Requirements

For admission into Lakeland, students must be a high school graduate or have obtained a high school diploma equivalency. Please consult Lakeland Community College's Enrollment Guide (available on Lakeland's website at lakelandcc.edu/enrollment) for specific admissions requirements and procedures.

## Health Program Admission Requirements

**Students must meet specific admission requirements for this program.**

Listed below are requirements for admission to the Dental Hygiene Program:

### OPTION 1: High School Option

This option is for current high school seniors or high school graduates who apply to the program within two years of high school graduation.

- Complete college application(s).
- Composite score of 21 or higher on the American College Test (ACT) or combined score of 1400 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).
- Place into MATH 1330 Statistics for the Health Sciences or higher or pass MATH 0850 Intermediate Algebra.
- Complete high school algebra, chemistry, and biology with a "C" grade or higher.
- An overall high school GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.
- Meet with the program director and counselor to review program prerequisites and requirements.

Upon successful completion of the above criteria, the applicant will be admitted into the program. Students must complete HLTH 1215 (Medical Terminology for Health Professionals) with a "C" grade or higher prior to enrolling in their first health technology course.

### OPTION 2: College Option

This option is for students who do not qualify for admission under Option 1.

- Complete college application(s).
- Submit high school transcript as well as any college transcript(s).
- Successful passing score on the required program pre-admission test.
- Meet with the program director and counselor to review program prerequisites and requirements.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher in program applicable courses. The following courses, or equivalent courses from other regionally accredited colleges, must be completed with a combined minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher and a "C" grade or higher. See program director for specific grade policy.
  - HLTH 1215 Medical Terminology for Health Professionals
  - BIOL 2210 Anatomy & Physiology I

**NOTE:** Students must meet one of these requirements to take BIOL 2210 with a "C" or higher:

1. High school biology within last five years and high school chemistry.
2. High school biology within last five years and CHEM 1100 Elementary Chemistry.
3. Biology 1200 Fundamentals of Biology for the Health Technologies.

Students are required to take the Math Placement Test and be placed into MATH 1330 or complete MATH 0850 with a "C" grade or higher.

### OPTION 3: Advanced Education Option

Students pursuing this option must have an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing or Allied Health, Bachelor of Science Degree in a natural science, or an Associate of Science Degree to be waived from the preadmission testing. All other Option 2 requirements apply.



### Quality Education

Lakeland prepares you for a high-demand career or for transfer to a four-year college or university. Professors at Lakeland are experts in their fields with real-world experience. Small class sizes allow for personalized attention.

### Affordable Tuition

Save thousands on your college education. Lakeland's tuition is about one-third the cost of most four-year schools. Financial assistance is available, including federal and state grants, scholarships, loans, and work study employment.

### Convenience

Lakeland offers convenient day, evening and weekend class times, and a growing number of online courses. The main campus in Kirtland is only 20 miles northeast of Cleveland. Classes are also offered in Madison.

### Focus on Students

Lakeland offers a variety of student services to help you succeed, such as counseling, tutoring, wireless computer labs, career services, free parking, and affordable child care.

### Accreditation

Lakeland Community College is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and participates in the Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP). The Higher Learning Commission, 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604-1413, phone: 800.621.7440, hlcommission.org.