Introduction

Admission criteria for the Dental Hygiene BAS program reflect an approach that includes the student’s test scores, recommendations, observations, short essay and pre-requisite course grades.

Accreditation

The Dental Hygiene Program is accredited (approval-without reporting requirements) by the American Dental Association (ADA) Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Approval (without reporting requirements) is an accreditation classification granted to an educational program indicating that the program achieves or exceeds the basic requirements for accreditation. In addition, Lake Washington Institute of Technology is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

Admission

The Dental Hygiene BAS at Lake Washington Institute of Technology has admission requirements beyond those necessary for general admission to the college. Please follow all directions in this application carefully. Failure to comply with the process described within may result in disqualification from the admissions pool for this program.

Important Dates

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<td>Application Deadline</td>
<td>March 30, 2018</td>
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<td>Admissions decision notification emails</td>
<td>April 27, 2018</td>
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<td>Accept/Decline offer of admissions form returned</td>
<td>May 4, 2018</td>
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<td>Summer quarter start date</td>
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The dates, procedures and requirements stated are subject to change

To request disability accommodations in the application process, contact Disability Support Services: (425) 739-8300. Fax: (425) 739-8275 dssinfo@lwtech.edu
NEW APPLICANTS

STEP 1
Apply for admission to Lake Washington Institute of Technology and receive SID if you have not already done so. Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Services Office, or by applying online. Go to www.lwtech.edu/admissions.

STEP 2
Attending a Dental Hygiene information session or completing one online is strongly suggested. Session dates are listed under the Dental Hygiene link at www.lwtech.edu/dental.

STEP 3
When you have completed all prerequisites and other application requirements, fill out the Dental Hygiene BAS application available under the Dental Hygiene link at www.lwtech.edu/dental. Place application materials in a 10X13 envelope and submit to Enrollment Services for admission consideration. Keep a copy of the entire completed packet for your records.

RE-APPLICANTS

If you are denied admissions to the program and would like your application to be carried over to another application cycle, you must do the following:

STEP 1
Contact Enrollment Services by emailing a request to re-apply to: selective.admission@lwtech.edu. It is important that you indicate in the subject line: “Attention: Request to reapply to DHYG BAS Program”. Inside your email request, please supply your name, SID# and identify the year of your most recent application.

STEP 2
Submit pages 2-4 of the application available for download at www.lwtech.edu/dental under Admissions Requirements heading.

STEP 3
Pages 2-4 and any new supporting documents must be submitted on or before the deadline in one 10X13 envelope to Enrollment Services. These items will be combined with related items in your file to make up a complete application. Failure to follow re-applicant instructions will result in the application being considered incomplete. **You are responsible for fulfilling any new requirements contained in the application and as explained here in the Supporting Information to be eligible to re-apply. Please read both carefully.**
PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Generally, applicants must complete all of the following to be considered for the Dental Hygiene BAS Program:

LWTech Selective Admissions Related Requirements

- Be admitted to LWTech
- Determine that all science courses are no older than 10 years
- Minimum grade for transfer and completion of courses is 2.0 but for the DHYG program a higher standard applies for admission
- Provide official transcripts pertaining to prerequisites used towards this application
- Have international transcripts translated & assessed by agency pertaining to prerequisites used towards this application

DHYG BAS Specific Requirements

- Meet or exceed a 2.5/B- in the following prerequisite courses prior to application: BIOL&241, BIOL&242, CHEM&121, CHEM&131 (or CHEM&122 if taken before WI10), BIOL&260, *ENGL&101. Tabulated in cumulative GPA.
- **Option To Delay One Prerequisite Science Course**—An applicant can choose to delay or be in progress with one prerequisite science course from the following list at the time of application: BIOL&242, CHEM&131, or BIOL&260.
  - The course must be completed with 2.5/B- or better by end of spring quarter preceding start of the Dental Hygiene program.
  - If course is not complete at time of application it will be listed as a “0” for grade points and credits earned in the admission processing calculation. This has a neutral impact on your prerequisite cumulative GPA: It does not penalize you but it does not help you earn grade points you could use to offset lower grades in other prerequisite courses.
- Meet or exceed a 2.5/B- in the following courses by end of spring quarter preceding start of DHYG program: NUTR&101, PSYC&100 or 200, CMST&210 or 220, SOC&101, Math&146, CMST 150 or Hum 215 and Engl&102. Not tabulated in cumulative GPA.
- Submit two sealed recommendation forms according to instructions
- Submit two Registered Dental Hygienist observation forms for combined total of 20 hours
- Take the new ATI TEAS or submit TEAS V. 5 scores that are less than 2 years old
- High school diploma or GED is completed and noted on application (official transcripts for GED or high school are not required) page 2
- Submit the required Essay response to the essay questions on page 6 of this document.
- Signed proof from doctor/clinic of 2 of 3 Hepatitis B vaccinations completed (one month apart) OR copy of the current titer showing immunity (2 copies)
ATI TEAS INFORMATION

TEAS testing is offered by appointment. Please visit the Assessment Center website www.lwtech.edu/assessment to schedule your appointment. TEAS V. 5 scores that are less than 2 years old will be accepted. The ATI TEAS (now the new title) is the latest version of the TEAS test.

- Scores are valid for two years at LWTech
- Tests taken at LWTech will automatically be submitted electronically to the ATI database for LWTech viewing.
- If you take the test elsewhere you will need to select LWTech in order for a copy to be submitted electronically to the ATI database for LWTech viewing. Applicants must pay a transcript fee to ATI in order for scores to be viewed by LWTECH. Select Lake Washington Institute of Technology TEAS applicant to submit scores to LWTECH.
- Please do not have your scores emailed to LWTech

SELECTION CRITERIA

Prerequisite courses and admission requirements not mentioned in the calculation below are still required for your application to be considered complete.

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<td>Multiply your required prerequisite course cumulative GPA by “10”</td>
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<td>30 pts</td>
<td>The new ATI TEAS or TEAS V. 5 scores that are less than 2 years old: Multiply Adjusted Indvidual total Score by 0.30 for total points</td>
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<td>To tabulate TEAS points, see table with formula on p.6</td>
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<td>20 pts</td>
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DETERMINING YOUR UNOFFICAL GPA AND TEAS POINTS

(Page 5 and 6 are for your information and should not be submitted with application)

To tabulate your cumulative GPA, first:
• Convert any **semester credits** by multiplying them by 1.5
• Convert any **letter grades to numerical grades** using table provided

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Then:

• Enter all course information along with numerical grades and credit hours in the columns below
• Multiply each course’s credits by its numerical grade. This will give you the “grade points”. Enter that number in the last column
• When you have completed entries for all courses add all numbers in the Credits column and enter the total. Then add all the numbers in the Grade Points column and enter the total.
• Divide the Grade Points total by the Credits total. The result is your cumulative GPA.
• Use the following table to tabulate your total points prior to application

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<th>LWTECH Course # /Title</th>
<th>Credits</th>
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<td>Chem&amp; 121 – Intro to Chemistry</td>
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*Note that if you choose to take BIOL&242, CHEM&131 or BIOL&260 while applying or intend to in spring quarter preceding start of Dental Hygiene program, enter 0 for credits and grade points for that course.*

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<th>Estimated Prerequisite Course Cumulative GPA</th>
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The following courses must be completed with a 2.5 /B- or better by the end of spring quarter preceding start of Dental Hygiene program. Cumulative GPA does not need to be tallied for these courses.

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<td>Psyc &amp; 100 or Psyc &amp;200 – Gen. Psyc or Lifespan Psyc.</td>
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The New ATI TEAS or TEAS V. 5 scores less than 2 years old Unofficial Application Points Tabulation

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<td>TEAS Adjusted Individual total Score ____ x 0.30 = TEAS points ____</td>
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Note: Represents unofficial points prior to applying. Your official score will be calculated and verified by the Admissions Committee

Applicant Short Essay

Essay Question: Describe a circumstance, obstacle or conflict in your life and the skills and resources you used to resolve it. What did this teach you and how will that knowledge support your success in the Dental Hygiene program at LWTECH?

Your essay must
- Be typed, 12pt. font
- Be double spaced
- Address all parts of the question
- Be no more than two pages long

Essays are scored based upon (1) Content (2) clarity of message (3) Grammar (4) Spelling

Please note: Any evidence of plagiarism or academic dishonesty in your application materials will render your application unacceptable and all materials will be forwarded to the LWTECH conduct officer for review and possible adjudication.
SELECTION TO COHORT

The 30 students with the highest points will be offered admission to the Dental Hygiene BAS. Completion of Co-Requisite courses may be used to determine final admission in the result of a tie. There is no waiting list for this program.

It is not possible for the admissions office to notify applicants of missing materials or respond to applicant inquiries as to the status of their application.

Additional documentation may be required for Dental hygiene students to participate in clinical settings. Documentation may include but is not limited to:

- Tuberculosis screening
- Verification of Immunizations
- Background check
- HIV/AIDS 7 hr. Training Certificate (taken in the program)
- Drug Screening
- First aid/CPR for healthcare provider’s card (all students complete during the program orientation)

Background Check

Each successful Dental Hygiene applicant is required to complete a background check. Each student is responsible for all associated fees for the background check. Fees for this online service vary depending on the number of places in which the student has resided within the past seven years. If a criminal check for a particular students shows a “less than satisfactory” rating, clinical extern facilities may deny access to that student. While entrance to the Dental Hygiene program may not be denied because of such a rating, without access to the clinical extern facilities such a student may not be able to satisfactorily complete the dental hygiene program and will be so advised. Throughout the program, dental hygiene students may be asked to complete and sign a form which asks for confirmation of the students’ present and past criminal history.

All students accepted into the dental hygiene program will be required to submit a background check. Background information and forms will be provided in the orientation packet if selected into the program.

“TRANSFER IN” TO DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

The LWTech Dental Hygiene program is not designed to allow for students to enter the program as a “mid program” transfer from another Dental Hygiene program. All students must apply, be selected, and start the program from quarter-one and progress through the program in the intended cohort model.
APPLICATION SIGNATURES

In signing forms in the application document, you will be certifying that to the best of your knowledge the statements made are complete and true. This means that failure to disclose and submit official transcripts from all schools, colleges or universities attended and failure to disclose and submit complete and accurate information may result in the denial of admission or subsequent dismissal from Lake Washington Institute of Technology. Your application will be considered incomplete without the required signatures.

RECOMMENDATION FORMS AND “CHAIRSIDE DENTAL ASSISTING” FORM INSTRUCTIONS

When you review the application document available at www.lwtech.edu/dental under the Dental Hygiene link, you will see that it contains forms required as part of a complete application packet. The following tips will assist you in submitting complete forms:

- One recommendation form must come from a college or university faculty member that has actually instructed you in the classroom. The other recommendation can be from an employer, co-worker, faculty, advisor or counselor.

- There are no time limits on recommendation forms or on Chairside Dental Assisting Experience forms

- Recommendation forms must be sealed in an envelope by the recommender and signed across the back of the envelope flap. They can then be given back to you directly, or mailed back to you. You must keep them in their sealed condition and submit them with your application packet

- Submitting more than two recommendations is not advised. This does not improve your application.

- Not following recommendation instructions will cause your application to be considered incomplete

- Chairside Dental Assisting Experience forms must be completely filled out. The “Specific Duties” area of the form is to be filled out by the applicant. Please do not have your employer or supervisor fill out that area, as it will invalidate the form and result in “0” points for this application element. Please use this area to give as much detail about the tasks and duties you performed. Attaching a job description is only considered supplemental documentation.

RDH OBSERVATION FORM INSTRUCTIONS

When you review the application document available at www.lwtech.edu/dental you will see that observations of two Registered Dental Hygienists are an application requirement. The following tips will assist you in submitting complete forms.

- Observations must be conducted in separate clinical facilities
• It is permissible to use your “Chairside Dental Assisting” site for one of your RDH clinical observation sites if appropriate but you are required to seek out a completely separate, second RDH observation clinical site
• Split your hours as evenly as possible between the two RDH sites to make up a combined total of 20 hours
• Not following RDH Observation Form instructions will result in an incomplete application that will not be considered for admissions.

**HEPATITIS B VACCINATION INFORMATION**

The following information will assist you in obtaining proper documentation related to your Hepatitis B Vaccination records:

• Hepatitis B vaccination series – complete the first 2 of 3 (one month apart) by the application deadline, the third must be completed (6 months later) by orientation day
• Signed proof from a doctor or clinic is needed
• 2 copies should be submitted
• Make a copy to keep for your records, and update with the third vaccination
• If accepted you will need copies of this vaccination information for your internship and for employment after graduation

**ESSENTIAL CURRICULUM COMPONENTS AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS:**

**ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

**Physical Criteria:**

• Communicate satisfactorily with clients, physicians, peers, family members and the health care team
• See and hear adequately to note slight changes in the client’s condition
• Hear adequately to perceive and interpret various equipment signals
• Demonstrate adequate eye/hand coordination for dexterity in manipulation of hand instruments and other equipment used in clinical practice
• Use hands for fine manipulation
• Manage the care of a client in a sudden emergency, including one-man CPR when necessary
• Possess the visual acuity to correctly read handwritten orders, medication records, and chart contents, and provide safety for clients
• Read, comprehend, and apply knowledge from complex science and dental science texts
• Use critical thinking skills by identifying cause and effect relationships in clinical situations and having the ability to synthesize data

Despite the foregoing, a qualified person with a disability who can perform these essential functions with reasonable accommodation will be considered for admission along with other qualified applicants
While in the program, dental hygiene students are required to participate as operators and patients, and to deliver and receive injections of local anesthetic and administer and receive nitrous oxide sedation for dental hygiene learning experiences. These activities are essential components of the dental hygiene curriculum.

**LWTech POLICY STATEMENTS**

**Non-discrimination Policy:**
Lake Washington Institute of Technology reaffirms its policy of equal opportunity in education regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, genetic information, disability, or status as a disabled or Vietnam era veteran in accordance with College policy and applicable federal and state statutes and regulations.

**Use of the Social Security Number (SSN):**
To comply with federal laws, we are required to ask for your Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN). We will use your SSN/ITIN to report Hope Scholarship/Life Time tax credit, to administer state/federal financial aid, to verify enrollment, degree and academic transcript records, and to conduct institutional research. If you do not submit your SSN/ITIN, you will not be denied access to the college; however, you may be subject to civil penalties (refer to Internal Revenue Service Treasury Regulation 1.6050S-1(e) (4) for more information). Pursuant to state law (RCW 28B.10.042) and federal law (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), the college will protect your SSN from unauthorized use and/or disclosure.

**MAILING/DELIVERY INFORMATION**

Mail application to:
- Dental Hygiene Admissions
- Lake Washington Institute of Technology
- 11605 132nd Avenue NE
- Kirkland, WA 98034 USA

*If mailed, must be postmarked on or before deadline. Consider a “Return Receipt Requested” form from your post office. Use a 10X13 envelope.*

Hand-deliver to: West 201, Information Center or walk-up windows area. *If hand delivered, write the above address on the envelop before turning it in.*