

Degree & Certificate Requirements

Dental Hygiene (Completion Degree) Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS)

2026-2027 Degree Requirements

BAS degrees require a minimum of 60 credits of 300- and 400-level courses

For students with CBC's AAS in Dental Hygiene degree only

Major Courses

Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Qtr. Completed	Comments / Substitution
DHYG 409	Community Oral Health Research II	2		
DHYG 415	Community Oral Health Practicum	1		
DHYG 416	Educational Theory and Methodology	2		
DHYG 418	Community Oral Health - Research III	1		
NRS 315	Healthcare Informatics/Information Technology	5		
NRS 315 is cross-listed with AG 402, AMGT 402, and HCAD 402. A student may not use equivalent cross-listed courses for the same graduation requirement.				

Subtotal 11

Major Support*

Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Qtr. Completed	Comments / Substitution
CHEM& 123	Intro to Biochemistry W/ Lab [M/S]	5		
Select 5 to 6 credits from the following:				
CHEM& 121	Intro to Chemistry W/ Lab [M/S]	5		
CHEM& 122	Intro to Organic Chemistry W/ Lab [M/S]	5		
CHEM& 140	General Chemistry Prep W/ Lab [M/S]	5		
CHEM& 161	General Chemistry I W/ Lab [M/S]	6		

Subtotal 10-11

General Education

Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Qtr. Completed	Comments / Substitution
ENGL 315	Writing for Health Professionals [C]	5		
or				
CMST 320	Health Communication	5		
Communication Studies - select 5 credits from the following:				
CMST& 101	Introduction to Communication Studies [C]	5		
CMST& 210	Interpersonal Communication [C]	5		
CMST& 220	Public Speaking [C]	5		
CMST 260	Multicultural Communication [C]	5		
Humanities - 10 credits:				
PHIL 315	Professional Ethics In Healthcare [H]	5		
ICS 310	American Diversity [H]	5		
or				
ICS 320	Culture and Health [H]	5		
Social & Behavioral Sciences - 5 credits:				
PSYC 201	Social Psychology [S/B]	5		

Subtotal 25

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AAS in Dental Hygiene Curriculum

Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Qtr. Completed	Comments / Substitution
Previously completed AAS in Dental Hygiene degree coursework		140		
Subtotal		140		
Total Credits Required		186-187		

Note:

Alumni of Columbia Basin's Dental Hygiene AAS program are eligible to receive 300-400 level course equivalents for previous DHYG 100-200 level courses. As a result, AAS Dental Hygiene alumni can meet the BAS degree requirement of a minimum of 60 credits for degree completion when combined with the Dental Hygiene BAS degree completion courses.

*Students who started the AAS program after the 2007-08 academic year previously completed CHEM& 121 as a prerequisite and only need to take 5 credits of CHEM& 123 within this Major Support section. Students who started the AAS program in the 2017-18 academic year previously completed CHEM& 121 and CHEM& 122 as prerequisites and only need to take 5 credits of CHEM& 123 within this Major Support section.

A student may not use equivalent cross-listed courses for the same graduation requirement. Refer to the Cross-Listed Courses section of the catalog for more information, and consult with your completion coach or faculty advisor.