

Four-Year Graduation Plan - Courses and Critical Benchmarks

The following is a sample course of study. It is the Student's responsibility to ensure that all program requirements are met. This guide is not a substitute for academic advisement. **All incoming freshmen must develop an academic plan (which maps out all courses needed to graduate within your intended major/degree). Your academic advisor is available to meet with you and create your specific plan.**

Your path to graduation may vary slightly based on factors such as college credit you earned while in high school, transfer work from other institutions of higher learning and placement in Mathematics. You are responsible for checking prerequisites to any courses. Critical Courses and minimum recommended grades (as noted below) provide feedback regarding major fit and help indicate likelihood of successful completion of chosen academic program and degree.

First Math	NA - Completed As Program Prerequisite	Foreign Language Requirement	No	Free Elective Hours	Up to 56
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This program is designed for the students who have completed a degree from an accredited (American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation) dental hygiene program at another educational institution and desire to continue their education toward a baccalaureate degree. All students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science degree completion program in dental hygiene must complete the general education requirements of the Division of Dental Hygiene and at least 30 semester credit hours at UMKC. These 30 credit hours include the UMKC Division of Dental Hygiene core curriculum and any incomplete general education requirements.

Depending upon transfer coursework, students may have additional free elective coursework to complete to reach the 124 hours required for the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree. For details about UMKC's online offerings, visit online.umkc.edu

Critical Course or Benchmark	Course Subject, Number, and Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks Bold = UMKC General Education Core Requirement *Prerequisite May Be Required **Co-Requsite Enrollment Required	Min Recom Grade	Credit Hours (CH)	Notes
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Summer Semester Year 1: 1 hour

	DENT-HYG 4130: Introduction to Instructional Technologies and Online Learning	B	1	
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Maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA

Fall Semester Year 1: 11 hours

	DENT-HYG 4040: Foundations of Teaching	B	2	
	DENT-HYG: 4620: Introduction to Educational Methodologies	B	3	
	Free Elective - Recommend ANTHRO 322: Race and Ethnic Relations	B	3	
	Free Elective - Recommend CONSVTRY 342: This is your Brain on Music	B	3	

Maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA

Spring Year 1: 12 hours

	**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement Click for options	B	3	Apply for Graduation
	**DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement (Speech and Writing)	B	3	
	DENT-HYG 4150: Portfolio Capstone	B	1	

DENT-HYG 4500: Seminar on Issues in Higher Education for Health Professionals	B	3
DENT-HYG 4600: Evidence Based Decision Making in Dental Hygiene	B	2
Maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA		

Summer Year 2: 5 hours

DENT-HYG 4110: Introduction to Research Design	B	2
Free Elective	B	3
Maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA		

Fall Year 2: 7 hours

Free Elective - Recommend DENT-HYG 4115: Practicing in the Dental Hygiene Public Safety Net	B	3
Free Elective - Recommend NURSE 404: Introduction to Social Justice	B	1
Free Elective - Recommend PSYCH 405: Motivation and Emotions	B	3

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours (120 minimum)	Total Hours at UMKC (30 hours min)	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
124	30	3.0	2.0

Policy and Other Information

The School reserves the right to make changes in courses and course schedules without notice.

Students are expected to maintain a quality of achievement significantly above minimum UMKC standards for degree work. Individual student progress will be monitored throughout the program. Satisfactory progress is required of all students for retention in the program. Students are expected to maintain academic standards, perform satisfactorily in courses, refrain from academic dishonesty, comply with the established University and teacher education timetables and requirements, and refrain from unethical or unprofessional behavior or behaviors that obstruct the training process or threaten the welfare of the student or others. Other circumstances involving student behavior will be addressed by the faculty on an individual basis.

Program Description

The goal of the RDH to BSDH program is to work with the student to develop an individualized program of study that meets their educational interests and needs and expands their career opportunities to include but are not limited to; clinical and classroom education, program administration, public health program planning and delivery, advanced clinical practice and specialized patient care and research. Courses in advanced dental hygiene studies emphasize evidence based practice in the biomedical, behavioral and clinical sciences. Your time and efforts in this program will provide you with a collaborative, challenging experience which will prepare you to pursue expanding career opportunities.

All of the courses required in the core curriculum are offered online. UMKC has designed computer mediated online learning through two learning methods, Asynchronous and Synchronous learning. Asynchronous learning means that learning can take place at any location and at any time. It virtually means access to learning is available 24/7. The second learning method, Synchronous learning, is delivered in real time through such technology as virtual classrooms.

Admission Requirements:

- Graduation from an accredited dental hygiene program
- Results and successful completion of the National Dental Hygiene Board Examination
- Satisfactory academic GPA (a cumulative college GPA of at least 2.5)
- Hold a current dental hygiene state license

Formal applications for admission to this program must be submitted by February 1 for the class beginning in July (summer semester) of each year.

The program may be completed on a full or part-time basis. Part-time students from outside the state of Missouri may be eligible for a nonresident tuition waiver which will reduce their tuition costs to equal those of an in-state student. For details, please visit the Discounts and Assistance section of the Cashier Office's website - umkc.edu/finadmin/cashiers/tuition-discounts-and-assistance.asp

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