



Dental Hygiene Program

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLO)

ETHICS, PROFESSIONALISM AND COMMUNICATION

- PLO 1 After completion of this program students will exemplify the American Dental Hygienists' Association code of ethics, state and federal laws, recommendations and protocols in the provision of dental hygiene care.
- PLO 2 After completion of this program students will communicate effectively using verbal, nonverbal, written and electronic skills.

DENTAL HYGIENE PROCESS OF CARE

- PLO 3 After completion of this program students will perform evidenced-based individualized dental hygiene education and care based on the periodontal condition as defined by the American Academy of Periodontology.
- PLO 4 After completion of this program students will integrate methods to ensure the health and safety of the patient and the dental hygienist in the delivery of dental hygiene care.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- PLO 5 After completion of this program students will perform oral health services in a variety of settings.
- PLO 6 After completion of this program students will assess, plan, implement and evaluate community-based oral health programs.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION

- PLO 7 After completion of this program students will evaluate elements that can be used to promote patient adherence to disease prevention and/or health maintenance strategies.
- PLO 8 After completion of this program students will identify individual and population risk factors for oral disease.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

- PLO 9 After completion of this program students will exemplify commitment to lifelong learning, utilizing current scientific literature and self-assessment skills.
- PLO 10 After completion of this program students will identify the role of the dental hygienist within health-care, such as: industry, education, research and public health.