

## **NOTICE: As of December 20, 2025**

**\*\*Please note, this program is undergoing changes to admission requirements and the application for this program is currently closed; anticipated to reopen March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.**

**The curriculum for this program will not change at this time. \*\***

# Dental Hygienist Admissions Guide

The Dental Hygienist Degree offers a rewarding career as a dental hygienist - **this is a competitive admission program; full program acceptance is not guaranteed.** Twice per year, in June and December, applicants are eligible to go through the competitive ranking process for Dental Hygienist program admission. To be considered for selection, complete the steps listed on this page. There are several steps in the admissions process; it is important to get started right away. **\*Please complete steps 1-9 in the order listed below:**

ITEM	COMPLETED
<b>1. Apply to the Dental Hygienist Program</b> <a href="http://nwtc.edu/Apply">nwtc.edu/Apply</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>2. Submit Transcripts</b> Send high school and college transcripts (if applicable) to <a href="mailto:transcripts@nwtc.edu">transcripts@nwtc.edu</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>3. Complete Assessment** (If Applicable)</b> The assessment may be waived if your high school or college GPA is 3.0 or higher; or if you have already taken the ACT or Accuplacer. It is important that all transcripts are sent (for review) to determine if the assessment is needed.**	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>4. Complete the Dental Hygienist Information Session</b> Log into <a href="http://nwtc.edu/mynwtc">nwtc.edu/mynwtc</a> and navigate to "Admissions." Select "Orientations" and complete the Dental Hygienist Information Session.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>5. Complete Chemistry (NWTC Catalog #10806134)</b> Chemistry is waived if you have completed two semesters of lab based high school chemistry with a C or better or college level lab based chemistry with a C or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>6. Complete Algebra (NWTC Catalog #10804118)</b> Algebra is waived if you have completed two semesters of high school algebra with a C or better, college math with a C or better, and/or college level general anatomy and physiology with a B or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>7. Complete General Anatomy and Physiology (NWTC Catalog #10806177)</b> General Anatomy and Physiology is satisfied by completing 4 credit hours of college level General Anatomy and Physiology with a lab component with a grade of B (80%) or higher.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>8. Complete the HESI (Composite Score of 80+) **fee associated (approx \$50)</b> Test subjects include reading, math, chemistry, anatomy & physiology. Assessment dates are available in May, August, and November. <b>It is highly recommended to take college level anatomy and physiology prior to attempting the HESI.</b> Please note, a score of 80 (no rounding) is a minimum requirement to qualify for ranking - a higher score will increase opportunity for selection. Visit <a href="http://nwtc.edu/HESI">nwtc.edu/HESI</a> for more information.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>9. Complete the Essay</b> <b>*This should be one of your final items completed on your checklist.</b> This is one of the most heavily weighted components of ranking - take your time and answer each question to the best of your ability. Essays must be completed in-person at an NWTC Assessment Center location. Appointments can be scheduled for dates in April-June and October-December. You can schedule your essay by calling an NWTC Assessment Center - visit <a href="http://nwtc.edu/test">nwtc.edu/test</a> for more information.	<input type="checkbox"/>

View your application checklist and progress anytime at [nwtc.edu/mynwtc](http://nwtc.edu/mynwtc)! Navigate to "Admissions" and select "Application Checklist". Need Help? Contact us at 920-498-5444 or [start@nwtc.edu](mailto:start@nwtc.edu)

When you have completed all parts of the admissions checklist on page 1, items such as your HESI results and Essay will be presented to a selection committee for review in June or December. If you are selected for admission to the Dental Hygienist program, you will then secure your place on the program waitlist to begin core program courses. Below is general education coursework that you can complete prior to being selected for admission and/or during the waitlist period.

Course Name (CATALOG NUMBER)	Credits	Pre-requisite	Completed/ Semester
<b>College 101</b> (10890101)	1		
<b>English Comp 1</b> (10801136)	3		
<b>General Anatomy &amp; Physiology</b> (10806177) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	Chemistry (10806134) C grade or greater	
<b>Microbiology</b> (10806197) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	General A&P (10806177) or General Biology (10806114) with a C grade or greater	
<b>Oral/Interpersonal Communications</b> (10801196)	3		
<b>Intro to Biochemistry</b> (10806186) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	Chemistry (10806134) C grade or greater	
<b>Intro to Psychology</b> (10809198)	3		
<b>Intro to Diversity Studies</b> (10809172)	3		
<b>Intro to Sociology</b> (10809196)	3		

\*\* When scores are not met, it is important to work with an academic advisor to discuss which additional courses are required for admission. Call 920-498-5444 to schedule an appointment!

Exam Name	Math	Reading	English	Elementary Algebra
<b>ACT</b>	18	21	21	21
<b>Accuplacer</b>	263	263	263	263
<b>Accuplacer (Old)</b>	80	90	95	65
<b>TABE 9/10</b>	12.8	12.6	12.8	
<b>TABE 11/12</b>	800	800	800	
<b>SAT</b>	430	500	500	500
<b>COMPASS</b>	50	87	91	47

## FAQs

### Q. What is the deadline for completing admission items?

A. All items must be successfully completed by 6/15 for the June selection and 12/15 for the December selection.

### Q. When will I be notified if I am selected?

A. The selection process can take about a month to be completed. If your items are submitted by 6/15, you can expect to receive notification in July. If your items are submitted by 12/15, you can expect to receive notification in January.

### Q. Vaccination Requirements

A. To learn more about the vaccines, such as flu, Covid19, etc., required for this program, please visit [www.nwtc.edu/cbc](http://www.nwtc.edu/cbc) and select your program from the drop-down list.

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