

The Dental Hygiene program at Ferris is the largest in the State of Michigan and one of the largest programs in the nation. The program enjoys a reputation of educational excellence, with expert faculty recognized at the state, national and international levels within the discipline of Dental Hygiene for the delivery of innovative academic and continuing education. Dental Hygiene is a practice area that continues to grow with the increased consumer awareness of the importance of good oral hygiene in the prevention and detection of systemic disease processes. Dental Hygiene will continue to grow based on the increasing focus on preventive dental care needs of the public. Completion of the three-year Associate in applied science degree, and final written and clinical exams enables the graduate to sit for the state licensure exam. Student clinical experiences occur within the college as the students work with patients from the University, community, and local schools in the 30-seat state-of-the-art Dental Hygiene Clinic located in the College of Health Professions building

### Course Requirements

West Short Community College			
Course	FSU Equiv.	West Shore CC Course Title	Cr. Hrs.
SPE 101	COMM 121	Principles of Speaking	3
or	or	or	
SPE 110	COMM 105	Interpersonal Communications	
ENG 111	ENGL 150	English Composition I	3
ENG 112	ENGL 250	English Composition II	3
BIO 232	BIOL 108	Elementary Microbiology	4
ANP 230	BIOL 205	Anatomy/Physiology I	8
and		and	
ANP 231		Anatomy/Physiology II	
CHM 122	CHEM 121 (sub for CHEM 114)	General Chemistry I	4
MTH 120	MATH 110	Introductory Algebra	4
PSY 161	PSYC 150	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 171	SOCY 121	Introduction to Sociology	3
West Shore CC	VARIES	Culture Elective	3
ALH 104	COHP 100	Medical Terminology	3
<b>Total West Shore Community College Credits</b>			<b>41</b>

It is important to review the Application to the Professional Sequence – Course Qualifiers chart that follows. For further program information, see [www.ferris.edu/chp](http://www.ferris.edu/chp), from All Degrees choose Dental Hygiene and see links in the side column.

**Please refer to FSU's General Education Requirements at:**

<http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/academics/gened/index.htm>.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students are encouraged to work with their Ferris advisor for selection of any electives, to ensure transferability and to minimize credits taken.

Ferris State University		
Course	Ferris Course Titles	Cr. Hrs.
COHP 101	The US Health Care Systems	3
COHP 102*	Safety Issues in Health Care	1
DHYG 101	Oral Imaging	1
DHYG 102	Oral Imaging Lab	1
DHYG 104	Dental Hygiene Theory 1	3
DHYG 105	Pre-Clinical DHYG Practice 1	2
DHYG 107	Oral Science A	2
DHYG 108	Oral Sciences A Lab	1
DHYG 117	Oral Science B	1
DHYG 118	Oral Science B Lab	1
DHYG 123	General and Oral Pathology	2
DHYG 124	Dental Hygiene Theory 2	3
DHYG 126	Dental Hygiene Practice 2	2
DHYG 127	Dental Materials	1
DHYG 129	Dental Materials Lab	1
DHYG 208	Perio/Path Review	2
DHYG 212	Dental Hygiene Theory 3	3
DHYG 213	Periodontics	2
DHYG 217	Community Dentistry A	1
DHYG 218	Pharmacology for Dent Hygiene	2
DHYG 222	Dental Hygiene Practice 3	3
DHYG 227	Community Dentistry A Lab	1
DHYG 229	Pain Management	1
DHYG 231	Pain Management Lab	1
DHYG 232	Dental Hygiene Theory 4	3
DHYG 233	Dental Hygiene Practice 4	3
DHYG 237	Community Dentistry B	1
DHYG 239	Community Dentistry B Lab	1
DHYG 280	Comprehensive Patient Assessment	1
DHYG 291	Dental Hygiene practicum	1-2
<b>Total Ferris Credits</b>		<b>51-52</b>

**Minimum Credits Required for Degree 86**

**Program Offered at:**  
**Main Campus, Big Rapids**  
 College of Health Professions  
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[CHP@ferris.edu](mailto:CHP@ferris.edu)

[www.ferris.edu/transfer](http://www.ferris.edu/transfer)

### General Admission Criteria

An overall minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average is required for admission to the College of Health Professions. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application. Financial aid is available and may include concurrent enrollment at both institutions.

Applications may be submitted for the professional sequence once you have completed the course qualifiers listed below. This chart indicates the minimum requirements needed to qualify for the **Dental Hygiene** professional sequence. Applications to begin the professional sequence are accepted January 15 – January 30.

Application to the Professional Sequence – Course Qualifiers	Minimum Credits	Minimum Grade Required
Note: All courses below must meet the requirements within two attempts (including withdraws).		
Math Competency – MATH 110 or ACT math subscore of 19 or higher	3	ACT Score of 19+ or C
ENGL 150 English 1	3	C
Select one Foundation COMM Course: COMM 105 Interpersonal Communications or COMM 221 Small Group Decision Making	3	C
COHP 100 Medical Vocabulary	1	C
COHP 102 Safety Issues in Health Care	1	C
CHEM 114 Intro to General Chemistry	4	C
BIOL 108 Medical Microbiology or BIOL 286 General Microbiology	3	C
BIOL 205 Anatomy & Physiology	5	C
SOCY 121 Intro to Sociology	3	C
PSYC 150 Intro to Psychology	3	C
Cultural Enrichment	3	C

### Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

### Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

### Online Learning

Select courses delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location). The "Online Readiness Tutorial" is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in Blackboard skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

### Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

### Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

### Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the effective and/or revised date on the bottom of the guide.