

**Southwestern Michigan College (SMC)**  
 Transfer Guide

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.

**Communication Competency Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
ENGL 150	English 1	3	ENGL 103	Freshman English 2	3
ENGL 250	English 2	3	ENGL 104	Freshman English 3	3

**Quantitative Literacy Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 110	Fundamentals of Algebra	3	MATH 101	Elementary Algebra	4

**Natural Sciences Competency Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
BIOL 108	Medical Microbiology	3	BIOL 121	Human Related Biology	5

**Self and Society Competency Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
SOCY 121	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCI 201	Principles of Sociology	3

**Culture Competency Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	FSU General Education – Culture Elective	3	Varies	Varies	3

**Additional General Education Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 221	Small Group and Decision Making	3	SPEE 101 or SPEE 102	Fundamentals of Speech or Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
BIOL 205	Anatomy and Physiology	5	BIOL 214 and BIOL 215	Basic Human Anatomy and Principles of Human Physiology	10
CHEM 121 (sub for CHEM 114)	General Chemistry 1	4	CHEM 101	General Chemistry 1	5
PSYC 150	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 101	General Psychology	3

[Ferris State University General Education Program](#). Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses

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.

**Qualifying Courses for Entry into the DHYG Program – (Grade of C or higher) – 32 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.
MATH 110	Fundamentals of Algebra	3
ENGL 150	English 1	3
COMM 105 or COMM 221	Interpersonal Communication or Small Group Decision Making	3
COHP 100	Orientation - Medical Vocabulary	1
COHP 102	Safety Issues in Health Care	1
CHEM 114	Introduction - General Chemistry	4
BIOL 108	Medical Microbiology	3
BIOL 205	Anatomy and Physiology	5
SOCY 121	Introduction to Sociology	3
PSYC 150	Introduction to Psychology	3
Varies	FSU General Education - Culture Elective	3

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**Major Requirements – 46 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
DHYG 101	Oral Imaging	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 102	Oral Imaging Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 104	Dental Hygiene Theory 1	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 105	Pre-Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice 1	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 107	Oral Science A		No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 108	Oral Science A Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 117	Oral Science B	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 118	Oral Science B Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 123	General & Oral Pathology	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 124	Dental Hygiene Theory 2	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 126	Dental Hygiene Practice 2	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 127	Dental Materials	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 129	Dental Materials Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 208	Perio/Path Review	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 212	Dental Hygiene Theory 3	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 213	Periodontics	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 217	Community Dentistry A	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 218	Pharmacology for Dental Hygiene	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 222	Dental Hygiene Practice 3	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 227	Community Dentistry A Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 229	Pain Management	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 231	Pain Management Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 232	Dental Hygiene Theory 4	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 233	Dental Hygiene Practice 4	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 237	Community Dentistry B	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 239	Community Dentistry B Lab	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
DHYG 280	Comprehensive Patient Assessment	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Core Curriculum – 5 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
COHP 100	Orientation to Medical Vocabulary	1	HEED 101	Medical Terminology	3
COHP 101	The U.S. Health Care System	3	HEED 118	Intro to Health Care Systems	1
COHP 102	Safety Issues in Health Care	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Total Credits Required for Degree****85**

## Program Contact Information:

**Main Campus, Big Rapids****College of Health Professions**(800) 433-7747 | (231) 591-2270 | [College of Health Professions Email](#)[Transfer Partnerships Website](#)**Delivery Locations**

This degree and the Ferris courses are offered at the following locations:

- Ferris State University, Main Campus, Big Rapids
- Select courses may be 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).

**General Admission Criteria****Transfer Students**

- Must have a 2.0 GPA

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS TO THE PROFESSIONAL SEQUENCE****Transfer Students**

- Must be admitted to the university
- Must have a 2.5 GPA
- Must have a “C” or higher in the following courses (or their equivalent): MATH 110 (or MATH ACT subscore 19 or higher); BIOL 108, COHP 100, ENGL 150, SOCY 121, CHEM 114, BIOL 205, COMM 105 or 221, COHP 102, PSYC 150 and culture elective.
- All MATH, BIOL, and CHEM courses must meet the above requirements within two attempts. A withdrawal, W grade counts as an attempt.

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**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.

**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.

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 must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

**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 effective and/or revised date on the bottom of this guide.