



**CAMOSUN COLLEGE**  
**School of Health & Human Services**  
**Dental Department**  
*Dental Hygiene Program*  
DHYG 245 - Professional Practice 1

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## **COURSE OUTLINE**

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**The calendar description is available on the web:**  
<http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/dhyg.html#DHYG245>

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*Ω Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.*

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### **Course Description**

This course introduces the learner to the profession of dental hygiene. Current concepts of practice are examined, with an emphasis on roles, responsibility, and accountability of the dental hygienist within the profession of dental hygiene, the healthcare system, and professional organizations. Medical, legal, ethical principles, laws and practice standards are explored. Concepts related to health promotion, population health and determinants of health as they apply to role of the dental hygienist are discussed.

### **1. Instructor Information**

- (a) **Instructor**
- (b) **Office hours**
- (c) **Location**
- (d) **Phone**
- (e) **E-mail**
- (f) **Website**

### **2. Intended Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- a) describe the history of professional dental hygiene practice.
- b) describe the discipline of dental hygiene, including roles and responsibilities within the health care system.
- c) describe dental professional organizations, relevant legal considerations and current practice standards for the dental hygiene profession.
- d) describe the medical, legal, and ethical principles related to oral health care.
- e) discuss the role of the dental hygienist in health promotion, population health and determinants of health.

### **3. Required Materials**

### **4. Course Content and Schedule**

## 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

## 6. Grading System

- X Standard Grading System (GPA)
- Competency Based Grading System

### GRADING SYSTEMS <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.php>

The following two grading systems are used at Camosun College:

#### 1. Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-	<b>Passing grade</b>	4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## 2. Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Description</b>
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

## 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### **LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Student Services or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

### **STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY**

There is a Student Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

<http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.html>