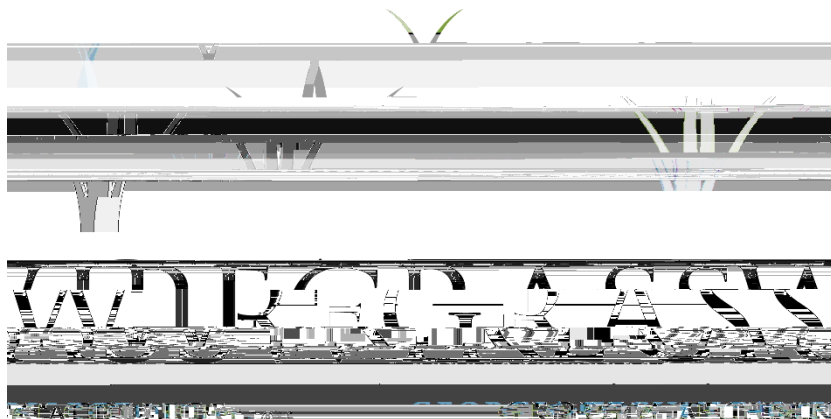


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Thank you for your interest in the Dental Hygiene Program. The enclosed packet provides information regarding admission procedures, required courses, estimated expenses, the application, and the observation form.

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Dental Hygiene at Valdosta State University in cooperation with Wiregrass Georgia Technical College has been awarded Accreditation with the American Dental Association's (ADA) Council on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Upon successful completion of the program, the student is awarded an Associate of Applied Science Degree and is eligible to sit for national licensing examinations.

Dental Hygiene is a two-year program with the clinical portion beginning in the fall semester of each year. Dental Hygiene classes are scheduled at Wiregrass Tech's Valdosta Campus. Enrollment is limited and admission is competitive with only 15 open positions per year. Admission to Valdosta State and/or Wiregrass Tech does not imply or guarantee admission to the Dental Hygiene Program. The program application deadline is 5:00 P.M. March 1 of each year. However, applications to the

Acceptance to the clinical portion of the Dental Hygiene Program is very selective. Acceptance to VSU and/or Wiregrass Tech does not guarantee admission to clinical portion of the Dental Hygiene Program. The following items must be received by 5:00 P.M. March 1 of each year, in order to have a completed application that is eligible for review.

1. Complete application for admission to VSU and Wiregrass Tech
 - a. Dental Hygiene is a VSU program taught in cooperation with Wiregrass Tech; therefore, applicants should apply at both VSU and Wiregrass before making application to the competitive portion of the program.
 - b. All applicants MUST have a student ID number from both VSU and Wiregrass Tech before making application to the competitive portion of the program.
2. [Complete the online application](#) for the competitive cliee 0.002a1.2 (v)31(a)-3.18 (r.8 (r)-i48 (d)-0.7 (W)0.6 (i)-1.2j)-6.2 (f)6.5 (r)2a2 Td()TjEMCd()Tj0 0 10BD9-0.7 -1.4 .7 -1.4 (n)8TT0ial con2 Tc pijs002 (l.7 -1.4 7.1 (r)-A(e)-7 (L(e)-7 (l

The Dental Hygiene program is a cooperative degree program offered by Wiregrass Georgia Technical College and Valdosta State University. Students earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree from Valdosta State. The program consists of a combination of academic core courses at VSU and clinical training provided at WGTC. Clinical Training begins annually fall semester. Because of the depth and scope of training, the program utilizes a competitive admission process for selection of students. The top 15 candidates are admitted to the program.

A minimum of 21 credit hours (Non-DHYG) MUST be taken at VSU to meet the residency requirement.

Course Number	Course Name	Term	Grade	HRS	Completed at:
ENGL 1101	Composition & Rhetoric			3	
Mathematics	MATH 1111 College Algebra, MATH 1101 Math Modeling, MATH 1001 Quantitative Reasoning, MATH 1401 Statistics			3	
CHEM 1151K (not taught at Wiregrass)	Survey of Chem I (General)			4	
PSYC 1101	Fundamentals of Psychology			3	
ENGL 1102	Composition 2			3	
CHEM 1152K (not taught at Wiregrass)	Survey of Chem II (Inorganic)			4	
SOCI 1101	Intro to Sociology			3	
COMM 1110 or COMM 1100 or ACED 2050				3	
BIOL 2651 (or BIOL 2113/L)	Human A&P I			4	
POLS 1101	American Government			3	
HIST 2111 or 2112	American History			3	
BIOL 2652 (or BIOL 2114/L)	Human A&P II			4	
BIOL 2900 (or BIOL 2117/L)	Microbiology			4	

Transfer students should note that a mini of 21 credit hours (Non-DHYG) MUST be taken at VSU to meet the residency requirements as required by Georgia Board of Regents.

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Source: American Dental Hygienists Association

Working in a private dental office continues to be the primary place of employment for dental hygienists. For today's dental hygiene professional, there are many other career pathways to explore as well. Never before has there been more opportunity for professional growth. How and where you work today is up to you. Let your dental hygiene education and experience open doors to YOUR career path and consider the possibilities...

- **Private Practice Clinician**- Dental hygienists in a clinical role assess, diagnose, plan, implement, evaluate and document treatment for prevention, intervention and control of oral diseases, while practicing in collaboration with other health professionals. Examples of clinical settings include:
- **Corporate**- Corporate dental hygienists are employed by companies that support the oral health industry through the sale of products and services. Leaders throughout the dental industry often employ dental hygienists due to their clinical experience and understanding of dental practice. Examples of corporate positions include:
- **Public Health**- Community Health programs are typically funded by government or nonprofit organizations. These positions often offer an opportunity to provide care to those who otherwise would not have access to dental care. Examples of public health opportunities include a variety of roles and settings:
- **Researcher**- Research conducted by dental hygienists can be either qualitative or quantitative. Quantitative research involves conducting surveys & analyzing the results, while qualitative research may involve testing a new procedure, product, or theory for accuracy or effectually

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