

DHYG 245-PRINCIPLES OF PRACTICE 2 CREDITS

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Examination of the dental hygienist's role in practice settings including dental office management, employment considerations in both traditional and non-traditional settings, the future role of the dental hygienist, resume preparation, and job interviewing. Emphasis on the laws governing the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene in New Mexico and the ethical standards established by the dental hygiene profession.

Prerequisites: DHYG 229, 233, 234, 235, 237 Corequisites: DHYG 243, 244, 247, 248

Semester Offered: Spring

COMMON STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of San Juan College programs and degrees, the student will demonstrate competency in...

BROAD AND SPECIALIZED LEARNING

Students will actively and independently acquire, apply, and adapt skills and knowledge with an awareness of global contexts.

CRITICAL THINKING

Students will think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions and solve problems.

CULTURAL AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Students will act purposefully, reflectively, and ethically in diverse and complex environments.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Students will exchange ideas and information with clarity in multiple contexts.

INFORMATION LITERACY

Students will be able to recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use it effectively.

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGIES

Students will demonstrate fluency in the application and use of technologies in multiple contexts.

Student work from this class may be randomly selected and used anonymously for assessment of course, program, and/or institutional learning outcomes. For more information, please refer to the Dean of the appropriate School.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

1. Describe ethical and legal theories, principles and considerations that impact on moral and ethical decision making in the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene.
2. Explain, in detail, the Board of Dental Health Care Rules that governs practice for a dentist, dental hygienist, and dental assistant in the State of New Mexico.
3. Compare the present and future role of dental hygiene in both traditional and non-traditional practice settings.
4. Describe various employment settings, preparing for employment, successful employment strategies for improving the work environment, employment compensation and employment opportunities, and strategies for obtaining career satisfaction.
5. Describe ethical and legal theories, principles and considerations that impact on moral and ethical decision making in the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene.
6. Discuss numerous ethical issues faced by dental professionals via role play, video and case study
7. Apply a protocol for ethical decision making in case studies
8. Be familiar with the obligations of trust, fidelity, autonomy and informed consent
9. Be able to apply and discuss ethical standards of dental professional conduct in case studies
10. Be familiar with the ADHA Code of Ethics as it related to the practice of dental hygiene
11. Explain, in detail, the Board of Dental Health Care Rules that governs practice for a dentist, dental hygienist, and dental assistant in the State of New Mexico.
12. List they types and circumstances of supervision found in each dental state practice act
13. Describe the legal scope of dental hygiene practice in respective states
14. Be familiar with the legal scope of practice of dental assistants, centrists and dentists in respective states
15. Discuss expanded functions/independent practice and collaborative practice models nation wide
16. Be able to pass a jurisprudence exam, with 75% accuracy conveying the rules and regulations in respective states
17. Compare the present and future role of dental hygiene in both traditional and non-traditional practice settings.
18. Describe various employment settings, preparing for employment, successful employment strategies for improving the work environment, employment compensation and employment opportunities, and strategies for obtaining career satisfaction.
19. Write and develop a professional resume for a dental hygiene position
20. Be familiar with a typical professional interview process
21. Discuss employment benefits as they relate to the dental hygienist
22. Apply negotiating skills relating to employee benefits
23. Identify dental office management styles
24. Discuss the importance of staff meetings
25. Differentiate between employer expectations and employee expectations
26. Discuss how marketing related to dental hygiene practice
27. Describe the basics of investments and money management
28. Explain the importance of disability insurance, liability insurance
29. Discuss time management issues in dental hygiene practice
30. Be familiar with CDT insurance codes as they relate to dental hygiene practice
31. Evaluate ethical issues surrounding marketing, third party financing, hiring, and employee rights, and the dishonest or impaired practitioner.