

DHYG 247-DENTAL HYGIENE PRACTICUM 2 CREDITS

SYLLABUS

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

The practicum is designed to provide the student the opportunity to apply the theory of dental hygiene practice and supervised clinical experience in practical, off-campus settings.

Prerequisites: DHYG 229, 233, 234, 235, 237 Corequisites: DHYG 243, 244, 24, 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. Demonstrate clinical competence in a variety of clinical practice settings.
2. Provide comprehensive dental hygiene care based on accepted scientific theories and research within the scope of the standards of dental hygiene care.
3. Provide accurate, consistent, and complete documentation for assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, implementation, and evaluation of dental hygiene services.
4. Provide care to all patients using an individualized approach that is humane, private, empathetic, and caring without discrimination.
5. Demonstrate the theory of dental hygiene practice by providing dental services to the following types of patients: children, geriatric, special needs, medically compromised, and underserved patients.
6. Apply a professional code of ethics and adhere to state laws in the provision of dental hygiene care.
7. Establish communication within an office setting with patients and staff members thereby integrating teamwork into the clinical practice.
8. Integrate the practicum experience into written reflections that demonstrates the application of an advanced level of dental hygiene skill and knowledge.
9. Demonstrate Community Involvement Competencies:
 - a. CM.1 Assess the oral health needs and services of the community to determine action plans and availability of resources to meet the health care needs.
 - b. CM.2 Provide screening, referral, and educational services that allow patients to access the resources of the health care system.
 - c. CM.3 Provide community oral health services in a variety of settings.
 - d. CM.4 Facilitate patient access to oral health services by influencing individuals or organizations for the provision of oral health care.
 - e. CM.5 Evaluate reimbursement mechanisms and their impact on the patient's access to oral health care.
 - f. CM.6 Evaluate the outcomes of community-based programs, and plan for future activities.
 - g. CM.7 Advocate for effective oral health care for underserved populations.