

Core Requirements

- ENGL 1101 English Composition I
- ENGL 1102 English Composition II
- MATH 1001 Quantitative Skills and Reasoning, MATH 1111 College Algebra, or MATH 1113 Precalculus
- MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics
- COMM 1100 Human Communications* or COMM 1110 Public Speaking
- GHXX Special Topics (Various Courses Available)
- 1 Literature course
- 1 Humanities elective
- 1 Science sequence:
 - Survey, Principles, or Introductory Level
- POLS 1101 American Government
- HIST 2111 American History I or HIST 2112 American History II
- Western or World Civilization: HIST 1111, HIST 1112, HIST 1121, or HIST 1122
- PSYC 1101 Introduction to General Psychology
- SOCI 1101 Introductory Sociology
- BIOL 2121K Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIOL 2122K Anatomy & Physiology II
- BIOL 2161K Medical Microbiology
- BIOL 2190 Principles of Nutrition, PHED 2202 Nutrition; or AHSC 2202 Nutrition



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Bachelor of Science

RDH to BSDH
Completion Program



RDH-BSDH

The Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene online program is designed for RDHs with an associate or diploma degree in dental hygiene. Admission to the program is based upon meeting the criteria for admission and acceptance to Georgia Highlands College and the Department of Dental Hygiene.

The **RDH-BSDH** program curriculum emphasizes student-centered learning and incorporates interdisciplinary components. Graduates of the program will have the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and values necessary for positions of responsibility in a variety of healthcare, educational, research, and community settings. In addition, graduates will be able to effectively interact with other health professionals in a competent, collaborative, and ethical manner.



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The RDH-BSDH is a fully online degree completion program.

The program can be completed in 3 semesters full-time or 4 or more semesters part-time!

Admission Requirements:

- ☐ Proof of general admission to GHC (Separate application submitted in early spring)
- ☐ **RDH to BSDH** Application form (on website)
- ☐ Current **RDH** License, or a letter of good academic standing from a CODA accredited dental hygiene program, or proof of having passed the NBDHE and Clinical Board exam.
- ☐ Copy of Drivers License

Dental Hygiene Curriculum
Students must complete 8 required courses and 6 Credit Hours

Required:

DHYG 3090	Current Concepts in Dental Hygiene
DHYG 4010	Special Populations
DHYG 4020	Supportive Periodontal Therapy
DHYG 4030	Foundations of Research
DHYG 4040	Leadership and Management in Healthcare
DHYG 4050	Healthcare Education
DHYG 4085	Dental Hygienist in alternate practice
DHYG 4090	Capstone

Electives: (6 Credit Hours)

Any upper level (3000-4000 level) DHYG, HSCI, HCMT, or NURS course. See catalog for more options. To participate in an internship course, you must be a resident of Georgia.



Application Deadline

Admission to the RDH-BSDH program is a three-step process: admission to the college, submission and approval of required documentation, and acceptance to the RDH to BSDH program. The deadline for submission of BSDH applications is **May 1** of each year. Students are admitted for the summer semester as full-time or part-time students.

Electives can be selected based on student interest.

4 Concentrations to Choose From

- Education
- Public Health
- Leadership/Management
- Generalist

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