

AN AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN COLUMBUS TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND GEORGIA HIGHLANDS COLLEGE

ACADEMIC YEARS 2021 – 2026

This is a Joint Institutional Agreement on the part of Georgia Highlands College (GHC) and Columbus Technical College (CTC) to formally establish an educational partnership between the two institutions. This agreement is made between Columbus Technical College and the Associate of Applied Science Degree Dental Hygiene Program and Georgia Highlands College and the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Completion Program. In this agreement, GHC and CTC are collectively referred to as the Parties.

The objectives of this Agreement are to facilitate access to the BS degree completion program in dental hygiene and increase the number of dental hygienists who are eligible for advanced careers in education, research, management, and public health. The purpose(s) of the Agreement are that:

- The Parties work to identify, recruit, and select students who clearly demonstrate academic and personal competencies required to function as successful students and future health professionals.
- The Parties create a seamless pipeline for AAS degree-prepared dental hygiene students to enter a BS degree completion program.
- The Parties facilitate the transfer of all viable college courses as required in the University System of Georgia core curriculum.
- The Parties facilitate the transfer of 66 hours of coursework obtained in the AAS degree dental hygiene program into the BS degree dental hygiene completion program.

At least 66 semester hours of general education core curriculum and occupational courses in Dental Hygiene are provided at CTC, and students receive an Associate of Applied Science degree upon completion. Students can complete an additional 24 hours of core curriculum at either CTC or GHC to complete the general education core curriculum. Students complete an additional 30 hours of the online RDH-BSDH curriculum at GHC for a total of 120 hours that is required to receive a Bachelor's of Science in Dental Hygiene degree.

Acceptance of Transfer Credits at Georgia Highlands College

The following guidelines are used to award transfer credit:

- The transfer of credits is consistent with and subject to the conditions prescribed in each institution's published catalog at the time of the student's transfer request and in keeping with the University System of Georgia's policies.
- Transferred courses must have been taken while CTC was SACSCOC-accredited and be comparable college-level courses to be equivalent in content and rigor to those at Georgia Highlands College.
- Completion of the Dental Hygiene program at Columbus Technical College does not guarantee admission to the BS degree completion program at Georgia Highlands College. Candidates must successfully meet all requirements to gain admission to Georgia Highlands College and the dental hygiene degree completion program.
- This agreement will be reviewed annually by both parties to ensure continued transfer compatibility of courses.
- The agreement is in effect for a period of five years, at which time it may be reviewed, modified, and/or renewed. The agreement can be dissolved at any time by the written request of either of the parties listed above. No amendment of the agreement, or any of the terms or provisions hereof, shall be binding upon either party except by a writing executed by both parties.

- This agreement is made contingent on both parties maintaining all applicable program and institution accreditations, and in the event of loss of program accreditation or institution accreditation by either institution, the other institution may terminate the agreement upon written notice.
- Both parties will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and all associated regulations, taking the necessary steps to ensure that confidential personal information is not disclosed or distributed.
- Both parties will comply with the necessary information sharing to entitle students in these programs to the appropriate federal, state, and institutional financial aid assistance. This process includes annual reporting of tuition fees and academic calendar dates.
- All parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination in regard to sex, age, race, color, religion, national origin, and disability.

The following Crosswalk includes the specific courses to be transferred from CTC to GHC. The agreement provides a total of at least 66 hours to be transferred/awarded. Table 1 includes 36 semester hours of general education core curriculum taken at CTC and transferred to GHC. The 2nd table includes 30 hours of prior learning credits, which are awarded for completion of the Associated of Applied Science in Dental Hygiene at CTC and DHYG and DHYG 3090 with a grade of C or better at GHC.

Table 1

CORE CURRICULUM TAKEN AT CTC FOR DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM					
Columbus Technical College Courses		SEM HRS	Georgia Highlands College Courses		SEM HRS
Course #	Course Title		Course #	Course Title	
Area A-Essential Skills					
ENGL 1101	Composition and Rhetoric	3	ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
MATH 1103 or MATH 1111	Quantitative Skills & Reasoning or College Algebra	3 (3)	MATH 1001 or MATH 1111 or	Quantitative Skills & Reasoning or College Algebra	3 (3)
Area B-Institutional Options					
SPCH 1101	Public Speaking	3	COMM 1110	Public Speaking	3
Area C-Humanities/Fine Arts					
HUMN 1101 or MUSC 1101 or ARTS 1101	Introduction to Humanities Music Appreciation Art Appreciation	3 (3) (3)	HUMN 2011 or MUSC 1100 or ARTS 1113	Studies in Humanities or Music Appreciation Art Appreciation	3 (3) (3)
Area D-Science, Math, and Technology					
CHEM 1151 and CHEM 1151L	Survey of Inorganic Chemistry and Survey of Inorganic Chemistry Lab	3 1	CHEM 1151K	Survey of Chemistry I	4
OR CHEM 1211 and CHEM 1211L	Chemistry I and Chemistry I Lab	(3) (1)	OR CHEM 1211K	OR Principles of Chemistry I	(4)
Area E-Social Sciences					
PSYC 1101	Introductory Psychology	3	PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	3
Area F-RDH-BS Dental Hygiene					
BIOL 2113 and BIOL 2113L	Anatomy and Physiology I and Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	3 1	BIOL 2121K	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2114 and BIOL 2114L	Anatomy and Physiology II and Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	3 1	BIOL 2122K	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 2117 and BIOL 2117L	Introductory Microbiology and Introductory Microbiology Lab	3 1	BIOL 2161K	Medical Microbiology	4

SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCI 1101	Introductory Sociology	3
DHYG 2110	Biochemistry and Nutrition Fundamentals for the Dental Hygienist	2	AHSC 2202	Nutrition	2

Table 2

<p>RDH-BS Dental Hygiene Prior Learning Credit</p> <p>Upon completion of the Associated of Applied Science in Dental Hygiene at CTC and DHYG 3090 with a grade of C or better at GHC, 30 hours of prior learning credits will be awarded in the following courses at GHC:</p> <p>DHYG 1100- Pre-Clinical Dental Hygiene - 3 hours DHYG 1110- Introduction to Patient Care - 2 hours DHYG 1120- Dental Anatomy/Histology - 2 hours DHYG 1200- Clinical Dental Hygiene I - 4 hours DHYG 1210- Dental Hygiene I -2 hours DHYG 1300- Clinical Dental Hygiene II -2 hours DHYG 1330- Dental Pharmacology -2 hours DHYG 2400- Clinical Dental Hygiene III -3 hours DHYG 2410- Dental Hygiene III -2 hours DHYG 2430- Community Dental Health -2 hours DHYG 2500- Clinical Dental Hygiene IV -3 hours DHYG 2510- Dental Hygiene IV -3 hours</p>
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Transfer students must complete all coursework necessary in their respective degree plan of study before receiving their bachelor’s degree from Georgia Highlands College. This agreement is subject to change, in order to comply with college and/or System requirements.

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