



# Fall 2025 Admission Information

## Dental Hygiene AAS for High School Applicants (DH01)

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MCC's [Dental Hygiene AAS degree program](#) (DH01) prepares students for licensure and practice as a Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH). Upon successful completion of requirements, students will graduate with an Associate of Applied Science degree and are eligible to take the National Board and regional licensing examinations.

- The program is offered in the fall semester only. There are 5 seats available for incoming high school graduates each fall semester.
- Applicants must meet all admission requirements and apply by the deadline to be eligible for the program (see “How to Apply” at the end of this document).
- Admission is competitive; therefore, meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission. Students who are not admitted to the Dental Hygiene program will be admitted to Health Studies and can work towards future admission to DH01.
- Students are strongly encouraged to meet with an Admissions representative when planning for this program.

### Admission Requirements

- High school courses must be at least one credit and science courses must include a lab. Minimum grade requirements are noted below. Grading notations that indicate only a passing grade will not count. Regents exams are weighted heavier than local exams but both are accepted. Final course grades will be used where exams were exempted (for example, during COVID).
  - High school Geometry Regents exam score of 85+ (if no Regents exam taken: course grade of 93+ with a HS GPA of 3.0+), OR high school Algebra II Regents exam score of 70+ (if no Regents exam taken: course grade of 85+ with a HS GPA of 2.0+).
  - High School Living Environment/ Biology with a C or better.
  - High School Chemistry with a C or better.
- All official transcripts must be submitted by the application deadline (January 31<sup>st</sup>) to be considered. This includes high school transcripts, AP or IB score reports (if applicable), and college transcripts (if applicable; i.e., dual credit coursework taken at other institutions).
- New York State resident or, if international, must have resided in NYS for at least one year.

### Competitive Admission

- Students who meet the admission requirements will be ranked according to the combined average of their math, biology, and chemistry grades. The top-ranking students are admitted.
- Students who are not admitted directly to DH01 will still be admitted to MCC in the Health Studies degree program and can work with an advisor to take classes towards future admission.

## Important Program Policies & Additional Notes

- If admitted to the program, the student's class schedule will be assigned by the Dental Studies Department. The department may recommend that the admitted student elect to participate over a three-year period, depending on college credits earned during high school and rigor of the program. Students must be available to take classes during the day and evening.
- Admission is conditional on medical clearance and the ability to meet the program's essential functions. More information: [Dental Studies Technical Standards & Essential Functions](#) and [Health Services](#).
- Admitted students **MUST** complete CPR for the Health Care Provider (with AED) provided by the American Red Cross or the American Heart Association by August 15th. Online courses are not accepted. Course can be arranged on campus during the summer via the Health Professions Department.
- Students are required to recruit patients in order to meet clinical requirements.

## How to Apply

- Please apply via [MCC's online application](#) and select DH01 as the program. The application is available mid-September, and the application deadline for this program is **January 31<sup>st</sup>**. Admission decisions are made by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

*While every effort is made to ensure that information in this guide is accurate, admission requirements and policies are subject to change. This information is a guide and is not meant to take the place of meeting with an Admissions representative. Updated July 2024*