

# COLLEGE of NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCES

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

# ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN DENTAL HYGIENE (A.A.S)

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# Dental Hygiene Program Advising & Application Packet

Thank you for your interest in the Dental Hygiene Program. The enclosed packet provides information regarding admission procedures, required courses, estimated expenses, the application, and the observation form.

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Dental Hygiene at Valdosta State University in cooperation with Wiregrass Georgia Technical College has been awarded Accreditation with the American Dental Association's (ADA) Council on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Upon successful completion of the program, the student is awarded an Associate of Applied Science Degree and is eligible to sit for national licensing examinations.

Dental Hygiene is a two-year program with the clinical portion beginning in the fall semester of each year. Dental Hygiene classes are scheduled at Wiregrass Tech's Valdosta Campus. Enrollment is limited and admission is competitive with only 15 open positions per year. Admission to Valdosta State and/or Wiregrass Tech does not imply or guarantee admission to the Dental Hygiene Program. The program application deadline is 5:00 P.M. March 1 of each year. However, applications to the program should be submitted as soon as possible. The online application portal will open February 1 of each year.

This admissions packet has been designed to answer your questions regarding Dental Hygiene admission. Please read the packet in its entirety, you may contact either VSU or Wiregrass if you have questions or need assistance.

Good luck with your application process!

Sandi Woodward

**Director of Dental Programs** 

## **Contact Information**

#### **Advising at VSU**

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences Academic Advising Center for Pre-Major Advising is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of VSU's Health Science Administration Building.

2525 N. Patterson Street, Valdosta, GA 31602

conhsadvising@valdosta.edu

229-333-2886

Applicants should apply to VSU as Dental Hygiene Major

#### **Advising at Wiregrass**

The One-Stop Enrollment and Success Center is located in Berrien Hall, Suite 101

4089 Val Tech Rd., Valdosta, GA 31602

Camillia Bryant

camillia.bryant@wiregrass.edu

https://bit.ly/OSbryant

229-468-2091

Applicants should apply to Wiregrass Tech as either Technical Specialist TCC or Occupational Studies Degree

Sandi Woodward, Director of Dental Programs, <u>sandi.woodward@wiregrass.edu</u>

Clinical-related questions can be referred to: 229-259-5533

The Dental Hygiene Faculty offices are located at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.

# Dental Hygiene Application Requirements

Acceptance to the clinical portion of the Dental Hygiene Program is very selective. Acceptance to VSU and/or Wiregrass Tech does not guarantee admission to clinical portion of the Dental Hygiene Program. The following items must be received by 5:00 P.M. March 1 of each year, in order to have a completed application that is eligible for review.

- 1. Complete application for admission to VSU and Wiregrass Tech
  - a. Dental Hygiene is a VSU program taught in cooperation with Wiregrass Tech; therefore, applicants should apply at both VSU and Wiregrass before making application to the competitive portion of the program.
  - b. All applicants MUST have a student ID number from both VSU and Wiregrass Tech before making application to the competitive portion of the program.
- 2. Complete the online application for the competitive clinical portion of the program
  - a. The application will open on February 1 of each year.
- 3. Official copies of ALL college transcripts must be received at VSU and/or Wiregrass Tech
  - a. A minimum of 21 credit hours must be completed at VSU to meet the residency requirement and to graduate with the Dental Hygiene Degree (if selected for the competitive clinical portion). The A.A.S. IN DENTAL HYGIENE CANNOT BE AWARDED UNTIL THE VSU RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT IS MET.
- 4. Complete the HESI A2 Exam at VSU
- 5. Completion of (1) observation session at Wiregrass Tech
  - a. One (1) Clinical Observation Session at Wiregrass Dental Clinic is required. Observation sessions are scheduled by appointment only, email the Clinical Coordinator as instructed on the observation form at the back of this packet.
  - b. Shadowing must be completed and documented prior to applying to the competitive clinical portion of the program. Shadowing hours DO NOT expire. The same observation can be used for multiple applications. Use the form at the end of this packet. The form must be uploaded into the online application for the competitive clinical portion of the program.

If accepted to the competitive clinical portion of the program, all financial aid, fees, and tuition will be managed at VSU.

Required books will be available for purchase at the VSU bookstore. Accepted students will be directed to purchase specified equipment, services, and supplies out of pocket from designated vendors.

## Competitive Criteria

Applicants will be ranked on the following formula:

Pre-Requisite Science Courses GPA (50%) + Pre-Requisite Non-Science Courses GPA (30%) + HESI A2 Exam (20%)

## **Pre-Requisite Courses**

- Applicants must have a 2.5 or better in the required Pre-Requisite Science Courses: BIOL 2251K, BIOL 2252K, BIOL 2260K, CHEM 1151K, & CHEM 1152K. These courses must be completed within 10 years prior to the application deadline.
- Applicants must have a 2.5 or better in the required Pre-Requisite Non-Science Courses: ENGL 1101, ENGL 1102, MATH, POLS 1101, HIST 2111 or 2112, PSYC 1101, SOCI 1101, & COMM/ACED.
- All courses must be completed with a "C" or better. The highest course attempt will be calculated for competitive admission.
- Applicants may apply prior to being core completed, however, they will not receive quality points for incomplete classes.

## **HESI A2 Information**

- Applicants must have a 75 or better on the HESI, as well as a 75 or better in each of the following individual sections:
   Reading Comprehensive, Vocabulary, Grammar, Anatomy & Physiology, and Math.
- o The HESI A2 exam must be taken at VSU.
- HESI scores are valid for a single (1) application cycle, and applicants may take the test twice (2 times) per application cycle. The HESI test score sheet(s) must be uploaded into the online application for the competitive clinical portion of the program. The highest scores from the two attempts will be used in the calculations.
- The HESI A2 exam is offered by <u>appointment</u> through VSU's <u>Office of Testing</u>. It is also available through the HESI Distance Testing Program and is administered at <u>Prometric Testing Centers</u>. If you would like more information about HESI Distance Testing, please email <u>testing@valdosta.edu</u>.

Applications are due by 5:00 PM March 1, for consideration of acceptance into the upcoming Fall entry class. Applicants will be notified by mail, within 14 business days after the application deadline.

# **Advisement Sheet**

The Dental Hygiene program is a cooperative degree program offered by Wiregrass Georgia Technical College and Valdosta State University. Students earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree from Valdosta State. The program consists of a combination of academic core courses at VSU and clinical training provided at WGTC. Clinical Training begins annually fall semester. Because of the depth and scope of training, the program utilizes a competitive admission process for selection of students. The top 15 candidates are admitted to the program.

### A minimum of 21 credit hours (Non-DHYG) MUST be taken at VSU to meet the residency requirement.

Course Number	Course Name	Term	Grade	HRS	Completed at:
ENGL 1101	Composition & Rhetoric			3	
Mathematics	MATH 1111 College Algebra,			3	
	MATH 1101 Math Modeling,				
	MATH 1001 Quantitative				
	Reasoning, MATH 1401 Statistics				
CHEM 1151K (not taught at	Survey of Chem I (General)			4	
Wiregrass)					
PSYC 1101	Fundamentals of Psychology			3	
ENGL 1102	Composition 2			3	
CHEM 1152K (not taught at	Survey of Chem II (Inorganic)			4	
Wiregrass)					
SOCI 1101	Intro to Sociology			3	
COMM 1110 or COMM 1100				3	
or ACED 2050					
BIOL 2651 (or BIOL 2113/L)	Human A&P I			4	
POLS 1101	American Government			3	
HIST 2111 or 2112	American History			3	
BIOL 2652 (or BIOL 2114/L)	Human A&P II			4	
BIOL 2900 (or BIOL 2117/L)	Microbiology			4	

Transfer students should note that a minimum of 21 credit hours (Non-DHYG) MUST be taken at VSU to meet the residency requirements as required by Georgia Board of Regents.

Please note that all DHYG classes will be taught on the Wiregrass Valdosta Campus

Course Number	Course Name	Term	Grade	HRS
DHYG 1040	DH Preclinic Lec	Fall		2
DHYG 1050	DH Preclinic Lab	Fall		2
DHYG 1080	Dental Biology	Fall		5
DHYG 1206	Pharmacology	Fall		3
DHYG 1110	DH Lec I	Spring		2
DHYG 1111	DH Clinic I	Spring		3
DHYG 2200	Peridontology	Spring		3
DHYG 1070	Radiology Lecture	Spring		2
DHYG 1090	Radiology Lab	Spring		1
DHYG 2010	DH Lec II	Summer		3
DHYG 2020	DH Clinic II	Summer		2
DHYG 2050	Pathology	Summer		3
DHYG 1030	Dental Materials	Summer		2
DHYG 2070	Community DH	Fall		3
DHYG 2080	DH Lec III	Fall		2
DHYG 2090	DH Lab III	Fall		4
DHYG 2105	Nutrition	Fall		1
DHYG 2130	DH Lec IV	Spring		2
DHYG 2140	DH Clinic IV	Spring		4

## RANK ORDER INFORMATION AND STUDENT SCORES

Criteria	Requirement		Student Scores				
HESI Scores	Min 75 required	Cumulative:	Reading	Grammar	Vocab	Math	Anatomy
		Exam Date:					
Non-Science GPA	Min 2.5 required	GPA:					
Science GPA	Min 2.5 required	GPA:					

# **Estimated Expenses for the Dental Hygiene Clinical Training Program (Fall 2024)**

Estimated Expenses described below for Clinical Training **Do Not** Include Fees and Tuition Paid to VSU. Check with VSU Bursary for Estimated Cost of Tuition and Fees for Each Semester.

Equipment requirements and costs are current at the time list is published. Costs and requirements are subject to change.

Fall 1	E	Estimated Cost	Vendor for Purchase	
Medical Requirements for Program Entry: Hepatitis B, Required Vaccines, Required titers, TB				
Test, Oral Exam, Eye Exam	\$	300.00	Student Choice	
1 Pair Clinic Shoes (For clinical only. Have these approved by faculty before wearing) 1 ID Badge Holder (Students are required to wear WGTC ID at all times) 4 Pairs "Tall Socks" (White or Light Gray) (4 inches above top of shoe) 1 Pair Black Scrub Pants for Class T-Shirt Day (No Joggers!) and class T-shirt	\$	150.00	Student Choice	
Required Uniforms 4 Ceil Blue Uniforms (4 Embroidered Tops and 4 Scrub Pants) 1 Lab Coat/Warm Up jacket (White or ceil blue)				
4 Ceil Blue Surgical Caps (Jr Year)	\$	400.00	VSU Bookstore	
SADHA Dues \$65 (Junior Year)	\$	65.00	SADHA	
Estimated Books for Fall 1 Semester (VSU BookStore)	\$	1,000.00	VSU	
TalEval Patient/Student and Patient Tracking Fee (One-time fee covers full program paid to WGTC bookstore. Faculty will provide instructions and deadline to pay)	\$	100.00	WGTC Bookstore	
Two Jr. Instrument Kits: (Instruments and Sharpener, Sterilization Supplies)	\$	1,210.00	Hu-Friedy	
MISC Supplies: Clinic Notebook, paper, pens, highlighter, etc.	\$	50.00	Student Choice	
Required CPR Class (Taught in in Program: <b>DO NOT</b> take a CPR class on your own!)	\$	65.00	WGTC	
Fall 1 Clinic Equipment Kit and Supplies From Simply Hygiene Manual Blood pressure cuff w/stethoscope (NO digital allowed!) Infrared thermometer Package of 5 AW syringe tips Nitrile utility gloves pkg 3 pair (Designate size SM, M, L, XL Note: These run small!) Safety glasses anti-fog black w/clear lens 1 chart marking pencil red/blue Dental Typodont Modupro DH with Articulator, soft tongue, sim calc, oral cavity cover Modupro Perio Starter Kit Loupes (Variety of Vendors Available) (Purchase End of Fall Semester)	\$ \$	735.00 1,550.00	Simply Hygiene Faculty will provide ordering instructions. Student Choice	
RINN Devices for Radiology (Purchased End of Fall) (Instructor will provide details)	\$	260.00	Dentsply	
Estimated Equipment and Supplies for Fall I	\$	5,885.00	Веньэрту	
Spring 1	E	Estimated Cost	Vendor for Purchase	
Estimated Books for Spring 1 Semester (VSU Book Store)	\$	250.00	VSU	
Cavitron Unit Package to Include: Cavitron Unit, 6 Inserts, 3 Jetmate Handpiece, 2 prophy jet inserts, foot pedal, 1 bottle each sodium bicarobonate and trihydroxide polishing powder	\$	3,000.00	Dentsply	
Cassette for Cavitron Tips and Handpiece	\$	133.00	Hu-Friedy	
Spring 1 Clinic Equipment and Supply Kit from Simply Hygiene 2 Packs Disclosing Swabs, Pack of 12 Cloth face drapes, Prophy cups (100pk) Prophy brush (100pk), Prophy paste (200 box mint fine) Face Shield with Replacements Shields,				
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2 Aerosol Assist Cordless Handpiece with 3 sheaths	\$	1,110.00	Simply Hygiene	

Summer Semester	Estimated Cost	Vendor for Purchase
Estimated Books for Summer Semester	\$ 250.00	VSU Bookstore
Senior Cavitron tips (6)	\$ 414.00	Dentsply
Additional Cassette for Cavitron Tips and Handpiece	\$ 133.00	Hu-Friedy
Estimated Equipment and Supplies for Summer	\$ 797.00	

Fall 2	ŀ	Estimated Cost	Vendor for Purchase
TB Test Due on 1st Day of Fall Semester (TB must be repeated annually)	\$	35.00	Student Choice
One Senior Instrument Kit	\$	550.00	Hu-Friedy
Estimated Books Fall 2 Semester	\$	200.00	VSU Bookstore
SADHA Dues \$65 (Senior Year)	\$	65.00	Pay to SADHA
NBDHE Board Review: Pay for review and make reservations Fall semester. Board review is in January. Fee includes estimate for lodging and travel.	\$	600.00	Board Review TBA
Estimated Equipment and Supplies for Fall II	\$	1,450.00	

Spring 2		
Hu Friedy Instrument Trade In	\$ 100.00	Hu-Friedy
Modupro Refill Perio Kit (Needed by the beginning of Spring II)	\$ 225.00	Simply Hygiene
Estimated Books for Spring 2 Semester	\$ 100.00	VSU Bookstore
DHYG Pin and Stole	\$ 100.00	VSU Bookstore
Dental Hygiene National Board	\$ 550.00	NBDHE
ADEX Clinical Exam Fee	\$ 1,200.00	CRDTS
Graduation Application Fee Paid to VSU Bursary	\$ 35.00	VSU Bursary
Student Class Photos (Sitting Fee \$40 Per Student, plus estimated cost of printing)	\$ 40.00	Tina Guess
Estimated Equipment, Exam Fees and Graduation Expenses for Spring II	\$ 2,650.00	

Semester 1	Estimate	Breakdown
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Fall 1	\$ 5,885.00
Spring 1	\$ 4,493.00
Summer	\$ 797.00
Fall 2	\$ 1,450.00
Spring 2	\$ 2,650.00

**Total Estimated Costs for Clinical Supplies, Equipment and Fees \$ 15,275.00** 

#### **DHYG Estimated Expenses Explanation**

The list of estimated expenses is provided so that each student can be financially prepared for the expenses encountered in Dental Hygiene clinical training. Costs are estimated and subject to change. Semester for which a particular item will be purchased is subject to change based on needs of the curriculum.

**Equipment Purchase Rule:** Students must purchase required books and equipment on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each semester. A three (3) day grace period will be allowed. On the beginning 4<sup>th</sup> day students will not be allowed to attend class without required books, instruments or supplies and will be marked absent. Student must make financial arrangements for purchase of required equipment <u>before</u> each semester begins. Students will be provided detailed instructions for purchases at the appropriate times during training. Students SHOULD NOT attempt to purchase equipment without specific instructions from the Instructor.

**Tuition and Fees/Financial Aid:** Expenses described above DOES **NOT** include tuition and fees that are paid directly to VSU each semester. All fees and tuition are paid directly to VSU. Students will obtain all financial aid through VSU while in the clinical program. Financial aid **DOES NOT** cover any instruments and equipment purchased through Vendors. Students should be prepared to pay out of pocket. Students should save and allocate any financial aid disbursements to assist with expenses for subsequent semesters.

<sup>\*</sup>Internet Capable Device and Internet Access Will be Necessary Each Semester\*

# Additional Dental Hygiene Program Requirements

A mandatory program orientation will be conducted with DHYG faculty in May or June on the Wiregrass Campus. Accepted students and alternate candidates will be notified of the specific date and time via Wiregrass Tech e-mail.

Be sure that you are financially prepared for the program. Students may use financial aid to purchase required textbooks at VSU. Excess checks will not be processed until at least the second week of the semester; therefore, students should be prepared to pay for all other program expenses out of pocket before excess aid funds are distributed. Refer to Estimated Expenses List for Dental Hygiene Program Per Semester for additional information regarding the cost of the program.

For most allied health programs, clinical experience is required to complete a program, and students must meet all clinical requirements defined by the clinical facility. No student will be denied admissions to a program due to these requirements; however, the clinical partner requirement may prevent a student from completing the program. Clinical requirements may include, but not limited to, some or all of the following: American Heart Association Provider CPR certification, physical examination or proof of ability to perform required duties, Tuberculin skin test, up-to-date immunizations, mandatory vaccinations, and/or titers. See Wiregrass Health Science Policies for more information.

## Financial Aid Information for Clinical Portion of Training

All tuition and fees are paid directly to Valdosta State University during clinical training. Students will continue to complete financial aid documentation (FAFSA, HOPE, PELL) through VSU.

Students may use financial aid to purchase required textbooks at VSU. All equipment and supplies are purchased from specified vendors at appointed times each semester. Further instructions for purchases will be provided to accepted students upon program entry. *Financial aid will not be available at the WGTC bookstore to purchase books instruments and supplies.*Students may purchase textbooks from VSU campus bookstores. Financial aid may be used only at VSU for these purchases. All equipment and supplies are to be purchased from specified vendors at appointed times each semester. Further instructions for purchases will be provided to accepted students upon program entry. Students will have out-of-pocket expenses for required instruments and equipment that will not be covered by financial aid.

# **Dental Hygiene Career Paths**

### Source: American Dental Hygienists Association

Working in a private dental office continues to be the primary place of employment for dental hygienists. For today's dental hygiene professional, there are many other career pathways to explore as well. Never before has there been more opportunity for professional growth. How and where you work today is up to you. Let your dental hygiene education and experience open doors to YOUR career path and consider the possibilities...

- Private Practice Clinician- Dental hygienists in a clinical role assess, diagnose, plan, implement, evaluate and document treatment for prevention, intervention and control of oral diseases, while practicing in collaboration with other health professionals. Examples of clinical settings include:
- Corporate- Corporate dental hygienists are employed by companies that support the oral health industry through the sale
  of products and services. Leaders throughout the dental industry often employ dental hygienists due to their clinical
  experience and understanding of dental practice. Examples of corporate positions include:
- Public Health- Community Health programs are typically funded by government or nonprofit organizations. These
  positions often offer an opportunity to provide care to those who otherwise would not have access to dental care.
  Examples of public health opportunities include a variety of roles and settings:
- Researcher- Research conducted by dental hygienists can be either qualitative or quantitative. Quantitative research involves conducting surveys & analyzing the results, while qualitative research may involve testing a new procedure, product, or theory for accuracy or effectiveness. Examples of research settings include:
- Educator- Dental Hygiene educators are in great demand. Colleges and universities throughout the U. S. require dental
  hygiene instructors who use educational theory and methodology to educate competent oral health care professionals.
   Corporations also employ educators who provide continuing education to licensed dental hygienists. Examples of
  education positions may be full time or part time.

## **Program Goals**

- Provide quality industry driven education and training that prepares dental hygiene students to enter the work force as critically thinking dental healthcare professionals.
- Provide students with a wide variety of experiential learning opportunities which allows the students to utilize the dental hygiene process of care for a diverse population of patients.
- o To provide opportunities for leadership and application of professional, ethical, legal and regulatory concepts to oral health care services, community projects, and professional activities.
- Provide a learning environment for students that will instill the pursuit of lifelong learning and the understanding that research and ongoing professional development are the responsibility of all health care providers.
- To promote excellence in learning and teaching through qualified faculty, current educational methodologies, and safe state of the art facilities and equipment to prepare students to qualify for and successfully pass the written and clinical examinations necessary for licensure.
- To provide avenues for student success through admission, progression and completion opportunities without regard to race, national origin, religion, gender, age, academic or economic disadvantage.
- Present a fiscally sound occupational training program that continuously meets or exceeds requirements for full program
  accreditation through Commission on Dental Accreditation.

# Notice of Institutional Plans, Procedures and Policies

Procedure to File Complaints with CODA	Dental Department Exposure Control Plan
The Commission on Dental Accreditation will review complaints that relate to a program's compliance with the accreditation standards. The Commission is interested in the sustained quality and continued improvement of dental and dental-related education programs but does not intervene on behalf of individuals or act as a court of appeal for treatment received by patients or individuals in matters of admission, appointment, promotion or dismissal of faculty, staff or students.	Due to the nature of the Dental Hygiene occupation, any student entering Dental Hygiene program has increased occupational risks, such as:  • heavy lifting injuries  • radiation and chemical exposure  • exposure to blood and airborne pathogens  • exposure to nitrous oxide
A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy and procedure for submission of complaints may be obtained by contacting the Commission at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678.	For additional information a complete copy of the exposure control plan is available upon request at the dental department business office.  Applicants should be aware that the Dental hygiene profession is a Class I on OSHA's exposure classification scale.
Student Advisory Regarding Misdemeanors & Felonies	Advisory Statement for Dental Hygiene Licensure
Students with prior felonies or misdemeanors are advised to contact the state licensing board prior to program entry.  Visit the Georgia Board of Dentistry website (http://gbd.georgia.gov/) for additional information on requirements and restrictions for Dental Hygiene licensure in Georgia.	"Valdosta State University, Wiregrass Georgia Technical College and faculty and staff are not responsible in the event a student successfully completes program requirements and boards but is unable to obtain licensure due to misdemeanors and/or felonies. It is the sole responsibility of the student to determine if a previous felony or misdemeanor conviction might preclude licensure to practice Dental Hygiene."
Applicants wishing to practice in other states should check with the Board of Dentistry in that particular state for specific requirements.	Students <u>will be required</u> to sign an acknowledgement of the <i>Advisory Statement Regarding Misdemeanors</i> and <i>Felonies</i> when applying to the clinical program and again upon program entry.



 All Dental Hygiene applicants are required to complete 1 shadowing session at the Wiregrass Dental Hygiene Clinic prior to application.



- Shadowing opportunities are **limited** and by **appointment only**.
- **24-hour notice** is required to cancel or reschedule an appointment.
- Shadowing hours DO NOT expire. The same shadowing experience can be used for multiple applications.

# What to Wear? Scrubs if you have them!



If you do not have scrubs, you must wear professional short sleeve shirt, long pants and closed toe shoes with socks.

#### No Jeans! No shorts! No sandals!

Failure to comply with dress code will result in rescheduling of the shadowing appointment.

### What We Will Provide

Clinical Gown Disposable Mask Hair Covering Shoe Covers Safety Glasses Parking Pass



All students will be required to sign a HIPAA Confidentiality Agreement.



All staff students and clinic visitors are strongly urged to get the COVID-19 Vaccine prior to clinical exposure.

#### **WGTC Dental Clinic**

Valdosta Campus • 4089 Val Tech Road (I-75 Exit 22) Berrien Hall, Room 220 • 229-245-3716

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# **DENTAL HYGIENE**CLINIC SHADOWING

# INSTRUCTIONS

Email Clinical Coordinator to make your appointment. gail.blitch@wiregrass.edu



## **Blood Borne Pathogens Notification**

All students will be required to sign a waiver for exposure to bloodborne pathogens.

## **HIPAA Policies Potential Exposure Statement**

All information regarding patients, students, staff and the DHYG program is considered confidential and protected under HIPPA laws and the WGTC privacy policies.

- Unauthorized use of patient personal health information is punishable by fines up to \$250,000 and can result in permanent disgualification from DHYG program entry.
- Cell phones, photos and audio recordings are strictly prohibited in the clinical area.

Due to the potential for exposure to blood and airborne pathogens in the dental environment, the dental programs strictly adhere to CDC, ADA and OSHA regulations regarding infection control protocols.

- Student is to observe only and will not engage in any patient care activities.
- Student will comply with dress code and wear PPE at all times during the shadowing experience.
- Student assumes all potential risks associated with entering the clinical facility during patient care.

I agree to the abide by HIPAA policies and acknowledge potential exposure to bloodborne pathogens.

Student Signature	Date	
Faculty Verification of Completion		
Student Name Date/	Time of Session	
The above-named student completed the clinical shadowing requirement at WGTC dental hygiene clinic.		
Faculty/Staff Signature	Date	