



### ***Twin Cities Campus***

## **Dental Hygiene M.S.D.H.**

*Dent Primary Care Admin*

### **School of Dentistry**

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

#### **Contact Information:**

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- Program Type: Master's
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2018
- Length of program in credits: 33 to 40
- This program requires summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Master of Science Dental Hygiene

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The master of science in dental hygiene program prepares leaders in the profession for practice, research, the healthcare industry, and academia.

The curriculum provides meaningful academic experiences for each graduate student based on their career goals and interest. Courses in the management track will provide students with knowledge and skills necessary for careers in the healthcare industry such as sales, marketing and professional relations management, management of large dental clinics, practice management consulting, and entrepreneurship.

Courses in the education track will provide students with the knowledge and skills to teach didactic, clinic, and laboratory courses in dental hygiene programs; conduct research; and assume administrative positions.

## **Program Delivery**

This program is available:

- primarily online (at least 80% of the instruction for the program is online with short, intensive periods of face-to-face coursework)

## **Prerequisites for Admission**

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.00.

Graduate of an accredited US institution or foreign equivalent dental hygiene program.

Other requirements to be completed before admission:

Baccalaureate degree; dental hygiene license; CPR certification; undergraduate statistics course.

#### **Special Application Requirements:**

Applicants must submit directly to the Admissions Committee a typed essay including short and long term goals and an explanation of why an advanced degree is of interest, a current resume including evidence of leadership and dental hygiene clinic experience, and three letters of reference. Deadline May 1.

Applicants pursuing the management track must submit their GMAT score.

Applicants must submit their test score(s) from the following:

- GMAT
  - Total score: 500

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
  - Internet Based - Total Score: 94
  - Internet Based - Writing Score: 21
  - Internet Based - Reading Score: 19
  - Paper Based - Total Score: 550
- IELTS



- Total Score: 6.5
- MELAB
  - Final score: 80
  - Speaking test score: 0

Key to [test abbreviations](#) (GMAT, TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.

## Program Requirements

**Plan A:** Plan A requires 23 major credits, up to null credits outside the major, and 10 thesis credits. The final exam is oral.

**Plan C:** Plan C requires 40 major credits and up to null credits outside the major. There is no final exam. A capstone project is required.

**Capstone Project:** Plan C students complete a capstone project based on internship experiences.

This program may not be completed with a minor.

Use of 4xxx courses toward program requirements is permitted under certain conditions with adviser approval.

A minimum GPA of 2.8 is required for students to remain in good standing.

At least 1 semester must be completed before filing a Degree Program Form.

### Core Curriculum (11 Credits)

All MSDH students take the following courses for a total of 11 credits:

- [DH 5401](#) - Research Methods in Health Sciences (3.0 cr)
- [DH 5407](#) - Instructional Strategies for Effective Teaching (2.0 cr)
- [DH 5411](#) - Administrative Leadership and Professional Development (2.0 cr)
- [DH 5421](#) - Oral Health Care Policy and Funding Strategies (2.0 cr)

### Statistics

- [EPSY 5261](#) - Introductory Statistical Methods (3.0 cr)

## Program Sub-plans

Students are required to complete one of the following sub-plans.

Students may not complete the program with more than one sub-plan.

### Dental Hygiene Education

This sub-plan is limited to students completing the program under Plan A.

Courses in the dental hygiene education track provide students with the knowledge and skills to teach didactic, clinic, and laboratory courses in dental hygiene programs; conduct research; and assume administrative positions.

### Education Track Curriculum (12 Credits)

In addition to the 11 MSDH core credits, take the following 12 credits to complete the 23 course credits required:

- [DH 5403](#) - The Discipline of Dental Hygiene (2.0 cr)
- [DH 5405](#) - Curriculum and Course Development (2.0 cr)
- [DH 5409](#) - Dental Hygiene Clinic Administration (2.0 cr)
- [DH 5413](#) - Dental Hygiene Supervised Clinic Student Teaching (4.0 cr)
- [DH 5415](#) - Dental Hygiene Supervised Didactic Course Student Teaching (2.0 cr)

### Thesis Credits

Take 10 masters thesis credits.

- [DH 8777](#) - Thesis Credits: Master's (1.0 - 18.0 cr)

### Management

This sub-plan is limited to students completing the program under Plan A or Plan C.



The Management Track coursework can be taken on-line or on campus. Courses in the management track provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for healthcare industry careers such as sales, marketing and professional relations management, management of large dental clinics, practice management consulting, and entrepreneurship.

**Management Track Curriculum (27 to 29 Credits)**

In addition to the 11 MSDH core credits, Plan A students take 27 credits (17 course credits and 10 thesis credits) to complete the 38-credit minimum, and Plan C students take 29 credits to complete the 40-credit minimum.

**Management Track Core Courses (9 Credits)**

All Management track students take the following courses for a total of 9 credits:

[MBA 6031](#) - Financial Accounting (3.0 cr)

[MBA 6211](#) - Marketing Management (3.0 cr)

[MBA 6221](#) - Supply Chain & Operations (3.0 cr)

**MBA Electives (8 to 12 Credits)**

Plan A students select at least 8 credits, and Plan C students select at least 12 credits, from the following list in consultation with the advisor. Alternative courses may be taken with advisor approval.

[ENTR 6025](#) - Introduction to Entrepreneurship (2.0 cr)

[HRIR 6301](#) - Organizational Staffing and Employee Development (3.0 cr)

[MBA 6301](#) - Strategic Management (3.0 cr)

[MILI 6235](#) - Pharmaceutical Industry: Business and Policy (2.0 cr)

[MILI 6562](#) - Information Technology in Health Care (2.0 cr)

[MKTG 6051](#) - Marketing Research - Rapid Insights (2.0 cr)

**Plan A Option (10 Credits)**

Plan A students must take 10 masters thesis credits.

[DH 8777](#) - Thesis Credits: Master's (1.0 - 18.0 cr)

**Plan C Option (8 Credits)**

Plan C students must take the following courses for a total of 8 credits:

[DH 5201](#) - Management Internship (5.0 cr)

[DH 5203](#) - Capstone (2.0 - 8.0 cr)