Admission Requirements

1. Completion of a certificate or associate degree program in dental hygiene which has been accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and a regional accreditation agency or a letter of approval from the director of a NM community college program
2. A satisfactory academic GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
3. Application to the University of New Mexico
4. Application to the Degree Completion Program
5. A copy of official transcripts of all prior college courses undertaken
6. A $100.00 application fee made payable to the Division of Dental Hygiene
7. A copy of national board scores
8. A copy of current license
9. Interview with Admissions Committee
10. Passport photograph attached to application

Program information is available at the Web site: http://dentalmedicine.unm.edu/dentalhy/

UNM Admissions Web site: http://www.unm.edu/apply/
UNM Registration Web site: http://registrar.unm.edu/

Curriculum

An individual curriculum for each student will be developed. The curriculum will be designed to meet the needs of the practicing hygienist who wishes to enroll as a part time student, as well as the full time continuing student.
Curriculum

The University of New Mexico offers a Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program in Dental Hygiene in continuation to the Certificate or Associate Degree in Dental Hygiene.

The curriculum is planned to meet the individual needs of the continuing student.

The Program offers an opportunity to expand basic dental hygiene knowledge and skills in areas of concentration including education, management, research, public health, or advanced clinical training.

The curriculum is designed to allow the student to complete the program on a full or a part-time basis.

The University of New Mexico requires a minimum of 128 semester hours be completed in order to achieve a baccalaureate degree. Thirty of these hours must be completed at UNM. Fifteen of these hours must be completed after 92 hours have been earned.

Degree candidates are required to complete core curriculum courses.

Additional credit hours are elected to meet the interests of the individual student and to fulfill graduation requirements. UNM offers many exciting educational avenues to explore and degree completion students have the opportunity to design a curriculum according to personal career interests.

You must complete all 3 components of the curriculum requirements. (1) Core (2) Residency and (3) Dental Hygiene in order to receive your Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree.

The two dental hygiene courses, DEHY 400 and DEHY 410 are taught during the fall and the spring semesters. DEHY 440 Extramural Experience can be scheduled at any time during the calendar year. A total of 6 credits in DEHY 440 is required. UNM degree completion students are involved in a wide range of activities that can be beneficial to future career endeavors including graduate study.

For course synopses, core curriculum requirements and additional information, please refer to the department's Web site:

http://dentalmedicine.unm.edu/dentalhy/

Online Degree Completion Program

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Online course list

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Areas of concentration may include DEHY 407 (an elective Problems course in Dental Hygiene) and DEHY 422 (an elective course in Public Health)

Degree curriculum requirements specific to the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene completion program are offered ONLINE according to the course list above.

Please seek department advisement for individual course plans.

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