

Dental Hygiene

Fall 2027 Cohort | Selective Admissions Requirements

Before you apply

Complete all prerequisites, verify transfer credit, complete 25 observation hours and the required Situational Judgement Test (SJT), gather supporting documents you want considered, and review the interview dates before submitting your application.

1. Complete the prerequisites

Fall prerequisite courses taken at SLCC may be in progress when you apply. The application remains incomplete until final grades are posted and will be assessed after the semester.

- SLCC prerequisite courses considered for the application must be completed by the end of the fall semester before the January 15 application deadline.
- Transfer prerequisite courses must be completed by August 31. Official transcripts must be submitted to the Transfer Evaluation Office and fully evaluated prior to submitting the application.
- BIOL 2060/2065, BIOL 2320/2325, BIOL 2420/2425, CHEM 1110, and CHEM 1115: C+ or higher and completed within five years.
- All remaining prerequisites: C or higher.

Course	Requirement	Credits
BIOL 2060/2065	Microbiology Lecture/Lab	4
BIOL 2320/2325	Human Anatomy Lecture/Lab	4
BIOL 2420/2425	Human Physiology Lecture/Lab	4
CHEM 1110	Elementary Chemistry	4
CHEM 1115	Elementary Chemistry Lab	1
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Writing	3
MATH 1010*, 1040 or higher QL	Intermediate Algebra, Intro to Statistics, or any higher QL	4
COMM 1010, 1020, or 2110	Elements of Effective Communication	3
NUTR 1020	Scientific Foundations of Human Nutrition	3
SOC 1010	Introduction to Sociology	3
PSY 1010 or PSY 1100	Introduction to Psychology or Lifespan Human Growth & Development	3

*See catalog for individual course prerequisites

Selective admissions process

Selection uses points for grades, science GPA, observation hours, admissions testing, interviews, and

submitted optional components. Acceptance or denial follows the deadline for applicants with complete applications.

2. If you have transfer credit

- Declare Health Sciences as your Area of Study and Dental Hygiene as your Program of Study when applying to SLCC. If the program of study does not match the information submitted on the transfer evaluation request, courses applicable to the program may not be transferred to SLCC.
- Complete the [Transfer Evaluation process](#).
- Ensure all transfer credit is evaluated and posted in DegreeWorks before the program application deadline. Evaluation can take several weeks.

3. Upload proof of high school completion

You will be required to upload proof of high school graduation or a GED as part of your application. Documentation may include a transcript, diploma, or a letter of explanation if supporting documentation is unavailable.

4. Complete 25 observation hours

Complete 25 observation hours with a Registered Dental Hygienist in a dental setting. A supervising RDH at the site must sign and date the form.

- Observation hours must be completed within two years before applying.
- Observation hours must be unpaid and cannot be completed during paid work time.
- Health care professional dress is required.

Required: [Download the Dental Hygiene observation form](#), have the supervising RDH document and sign it, and upload it with the application.

5. Complete the required SJT

The Situational Judgement Test (SJT) is required before application submission. It includes 30 ethical-based scenarios and has a one-hour limit.

- Testing window: October 1 through January 15.
- Take the SJT at an SLCC Testing Center during the open application session.
- Only one attempt is allowed. Additional attempts will disqualify the application.
- Applications submitted without a completed SJT will not be considered, and a second application submission will not be allowed.
- Final SJT scores are not provided to applicants.

Learn more: [Listen to the SJT information podcast](#)

Schedule the SJT

- Log in to MySLCC and open the Testing Services tile.
- If the tile is not visible, use Discover or Discover More, search for testing, and pin Testing Services.
- Choose a Testing Center: Redwood, Jordan, South City, or Herriman.

- In RegisterBlast, select Health Science Pre-Admission and then the Dental Hygiene test. Register only for the Dental Hygiene assessment; choosing the wrong exam will invalidate the results.
- Add the exam to the cart and select Complete Registration.
- Use the BruinMail confirmation to self-enroll in the Canvas course before arriving to test.

6. Optional items for additional consideration

Applicants who meet all program requirements may receive additional consideration for documented experience.

Prior Degree

Applications with a prior associate or bachelor's degree will receive additional consideration.

Dental Assistant education

Graduation from a Dental Assistant program.

Hands-on Dental Assistant work

Full-time employment for at least six months, or equivalent to at least 1040 hours of employment. Upload an employer letter on letterhead stating your title, full-time status, and length of employment.

Direct patient-care experience

At least 12 months of direct, hands-on patient care outside the dental field. Upload an employer letter on letterhead stating your title and length of employment.

AHEC, MA, EMT, or CNA

AHEC graduation or MA, EMT, or CNA certification completed within the last five years. Upload the certification.

Community engagement

One unpaid community engagement experience may be considered. Examples include service with food banks, homeless shelters, emergency assistance programs, or neighborhood cleanup programs.

- Occurred within the last five years and after high school graduation.
- Completed in Utah.
- Unpaid and without reward.
- Continual service is encouraged.
- Service with underserved groups or populations is encouraged.
- Only one experience will be considered.

Required verification: Upload a recommendation letter from the supervising mentor describing the type of service, location, and length of commitment.

Upload before submitting

Upload every document or piece of information you want considered while completing the application. Additional documentation cannot be considered after submission.

7. Interview process

Standardized Video Interview (SVI)

- Top-ranking applicants may be invited after the admissions session closes.
- Notifications will be sent within 10 days after the session closes.
- The SVI is online and must be completed before the MMI. Instructions will be sent to the email address used to apply.

Multiple Mini-Interview (MMI)

- Interview dates: February 19 and February 26, 2027.
- MMIs are in person. Eligible applicants must select a one-hour time slot on one of the scheduled dates.
- Exceptions cannot be made. Confirm your availability before submitting the application.

Learn more: [Listen to the SVI and MMI preparation podcast](#)

8. Apply online

New applicants: [Register for the Health Sciences admissions portal](#)

Returning applicants: [Sign in to the Health Sciences admissions portal](#)