Dental Hygiene Program Criteria Fall 2017

The Dental Hygiene program has a limited number of seats. Please review the selective admissions process and program criteria outlined in this document carefully.

1. Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale
   - If a student has less than 12 cumulative college credits, the high school GPA will be used.
     - **High school GPA calculation:** Un-weighted GPA will be used in GPA calculation
   - If a student has 12 or more cumulative college credits, the college GPA will be used.
     - **College GPA calculation:**
       - If the student has at least 12 college credits within the last five years—
         a recalculated cumulative GPA will be used for the GPA calculation for all coursework within the last five years from all colleges attended.
       - If the student does not have at least 12 college credits within the last five years—
         a cumulative GPA will be used in the GPA calculation from all colleges attended.

   **Please Note:** Any student who does not have a high school cumulative GPA or does not have 12 college credits must earn a college cumulative GPA with at least 12 college credits to be considered for the program by January 20, 2017.

2. Prerequisite science grades of “C” or better in laboratory biology and laboratory chemistry (These courses must be completed by January 20, 2017)
   - The highest laboratory biology and laboratory chemistry grade will be used from high school or college, whichever grades are higher. (MCC offers BIO 010 and CHM 010, if needed)
   - Science courses taken on the college level will be weighted slightly higher than science courses taken at the high school level.

3. Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS-VI) test score (Due by February 3, 2017)

   All TEAS-VI scores must be received by February 3, 2017. The TEAS-VI exam can be taken at any location and must be taken once between September 1, 2016 and February 2, 2017. If a student takes the exam multiple times during September 1, 2016 and February 2, 2017, only the score of the first exam completed will be used.

   - **MCC will offer the TEAS-VI exam on the following dates:** (Only one test date is permitted)
     - October 17, November 3, November 17, December 5, January 5, and February 2
   - **Applicants with documented disabilities requesting special accommodations must:**
     - Contact Counseling and Career Services at 732-906-2546 to obtain an accommodation approval prior to taking the TEAS-VI exam. (Appointments only)
     - After receiving an accommodation approval, you must contact the testing department to schedule a date to take TEAS-VI exam.

   - **TEAS-VI taken at other locations:** Students must request official scores to be sent to Middlesex County College’s testing center: MKim@Middlesexcc.edu by February 3, 2017. Scores received after this day will not be accepted.
   - Only students who have completed all program criteria should take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS-VI). A book to prepare for the exam is available in the Blue Colt Bookstore.

**Additional Requirements based on Criteria:**
- This program is open only to U.S. citizens and permanent residents.
- The student must complete all ESL and developmental courses by January 20, 2017, or receive an exemption. These courses are MAT 010, MAT 013, RDG 009, RDG 011, ENG 009, ENG 010, and all levels of the ESL sequences.

**Required upon Acceptance to the program:**
- All students will be required to submit a $565 non-refundable deposit by May 8, 2017 (fee subject to change annually).
- All students will be required to attend mandatory orientations. Students who do not attend the required orientation will be in jeopardy of losing their seat in the program.
  - Initial Orientation – TBA
  - Course Orientation – TBA

**Questions:** Please email Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu

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Dental Hygiene Application Checklist Fall 2017
All items must be received by the Admissions Office

APPLICATION

Complete your application online between October 1, 2016 and the January 15, 2017 deadline.
Application Fee is $25. Please choose Dental Hygiene (DHY.AAS) on the application!

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS – Must be received by January 20, 2017

- High School/GED
- All Colleges and Universities Attended
- Foreign College
  ➢ All applicants who attended college outside the U.S. need to have their transcripts evaluated by an accredited third party evaluator such as AACRAO or WES on a course by course basis. If you have the evaluated equivalent of the U.S. Bachelor’s degree you will be exempted from the College Placement Test.

PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP OR PERMANENT RESIDENCY – Must be received by January 20, 2017
Please submit proof in person to the Admissions Office.

- Proof of Permanent Residency: Valid copy of Permanent Resident Card

LEGAL, HEALTH AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS FORM – Must be received by January 20, 2017

All students applying to the Dental Hygiene program must read, sign and return this form to the Admissions Office as acknowledgment of Practical Considerations of their career choice in terms of ability to succeed in the program and gain employment in the field.

COLLEGE TESTS - Must be completed or received by January 20, 2017

All students who have completed the ESL test and/or CPT are required to contact us by emailing Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu to discuss their results.

- English as a Second Language (ESL) exam
  If English is not your best language and if you have not completed four years of high school English courses in the United States you will need to be proficient on the ESL exam before taking the CPT.

- College Placement Test (CPT)
  All students must take the CPT unless they receive an exemption(s)*. The test is designed to provide information about your skills in the English language and in mathematics. The results will be used, along with other information, to place you in the courses appropriate to your level of preparation. In some cases this may include non-credit, developmental courses.

- Exemptions*
  (Please follow-up with us via Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu to ensure the exemption has been recorded.)
  - SAT scores (within the past five years)
    - 540 or higher on the SAT critical reading
    - 530 or higher on the SAT math
  - Courses taken at an accredited U.S. college or university
  - College Placement Test taken at another New Jersey college. Have scores sent to the Middlesex County College Testing Center.

**Special Note regarding Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS-VI)
Only students that have completed all program criteria should take the (TEAS-VI).

Questions: Please email Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu

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LEGAL, HEALTH AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS FORM Fall 2017

All students applying to a Health Technology Program must read, sign and return to the Admissions Office as acknowledgment of Practical Considerations.

This form must be received by the Admissions Office by January 20, 2017.

First Name (Print) ___________________ Last Name (Print) ___________________ Student ID# __________

Select all that apply:
___ Dental Hygiene (DH)  ___ Medical Laboratory Technology (MED)  ___ Nursing (NRB)  ___ Radiography (RAD)

The following Practical Considerations are listed so students may be better able to assess their career choice in terms of ability to succeed in the program and gain employment in the field:

1. Have written and oral communication skills in the English language to effectively and accurately communicate with patients, peers, supervisors, families and other healthcare members.

2. Have sufficient visual acuity:

   DH and NRB: to accurately assess patient conditions and treat patients safely.

   MED: to determine a specimen's macroscopic characteristics, color and microscopic cell characteristics and staining proprieties.

   RAD: to make radiographic technical adjustments to equipment to produce acceptable radiographs and to assess the completed product for technical accuracy.

3. Have motor skills:

   DH: and strength capable of fine and delicate manipulations and adjustments of patient’s equipment. The student must have a physical capability to withstand prolonged hours in a sitting position and repetitive upper body motions.

   MED: capable of fine and delicate manipulation and adjustments.

   NRB: capable of fine and delicate manipulation of patient equipment. The ability to transfer, lift and move patients without restrictions.

   RAD: and strength capable of manipulations and adjustments of patients and equipment.

4. Demonstrate acceptable affective behaviors required by health care employers such as maintaining excellent attendance and integrity and being able to work under pressure.

5. Comprehend and follow clinical policies and procedures related to the profession you choose.
Health Considerations:

Due to the nature of clinical experiences, students will be participating in a work environment that has the potential of exposure to blood borne pathogens and infectious diseases. All accepted students are provided with specific instruction on infection control protocols, and standard precautions in order to reduce the risk of disease transmission. Students are required to get a flu vaccine.

Health Insurance:

All students admitted to the program must have health insurance. Students will find information regarding the purchase of insurance coverage through the link below:
http://www.state.nj.us/dobi/division_insurance/ihcseh/shop_ihc.htm.

Legal Considerations:

A student is required to have a criminal background check performed with satisfactory results acceptable by Middlesex County College and the Program Department and/or participating clinical facilities as a condition of admission, initial enrollment and/or continued enrollment. Students are required to get a flu vaccine. An offer of admission is not final and enrollment will not be permitted until the completion of a satisfactory criminal background check. Drug testing is also a requirement for MED, NRB and RAD students. Admission may be denied or rescinded or enrollment terminated based on the results of the criminal background check and drug testing (if applicable).

By signing I acknowledge I have read and understood this information.

____________________________________  __________________________________  _______________________
First Name (Please Print)                      Last Name (Please Print)                     Date of Birth

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Student Signature                           Student ID#                                     Date

Please return form to the Admissions Office, Middlesex County College, 2600 Woodbridge Avenue, P.O. Box 3050, Edison, NJ 08818.

In office use only: ___________________ (staff initials)  Updated 7/25/16