

Course Description

DEH1720 | Preventative Dentistry | 2.00 credits

This is a foundation course in dental hygiene preventive care. Students will learn the concepts of oral health and how to prevent future disease. Students will become engaged in developing their own prevention strategies by selecting rational, appropriate oral health devices used for self-care. A.S. degree only

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will understand the principles of oral health by:

- 1. Exploring the key concepts of disease prevention and oral hygiene
- 2. Analyzing the impact of oral health on overall health and well-being
- 3. Identifying common oral diseases and their risk factors

Competency 2: The student will develop personalized prevention strategies by:

- 1. Researching and selecting appropriate oral health devices for self-care
- 2. Justifying their choices based on evidence-based practices and guidelines
- 3. Creating a comprehensive self-care plan that addresses individual needs

Competency 3: The student will engage in practical applications of preventive care by:

- 1. Demonstrating effective techniques for using selected oral health devices
- 2. Participating in peer discussions to share insights and strategies
- 3. Evaluating their own oral hygiene practices and making necessary adjustments

Learning Outcomes

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information