ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Professional education in the health sciences manifests characteristics that are distinct from other advanced educational programs. Academic standards of the School of Dentistry are established to ensure that the public, whose health will be entrusted to graduates of the school’s programs, will receive care of professionally acceptable quality and that the care will be provided in an ethical and professional manner. The School’s Academic Requirements are described in the following two sets of standards, one for scholarly achievement and one for professional conduct, located in the Student Handbook.

Attendance
Regular attendance at all classes and clinical sessions is required during the professional program. The student is responsible for familiarization with all classroom and clinical requirements and assignments.

Scholastic Honesty
The Division of Dental Hygiene assumes all students are enrolled to learn. Any cheating is contradictory to the purposes of students and this institution. Any dishonesty detected in a course (including during examinations or in submitting plagiarized material) may result in an F grade in the course, and may be cause for dismissal or suspension from the Division of Dental Hygiene.

Repeated Courses
A dental hygiene student who wishes to repeat a course must submit a course repeat form to the UMKC Registration Office no later than the end of the fourth week of the term if that repeat is to be included in GPA calculations. Students who are repeating a course must have prior approval of the director of the Division of Dental Hygiene.

Advanced Placement
The general examination offered by the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) will not be accepted for degree credit. However, credit received through specific or subject examinations will apply toward a bachelor of science degree in dental hygiene. Although hours of credit may be received in natural sciences, it is preferred that an applicant to the dental hygiene program complete the specific science prerequisites.

For more information regarding admission to either the clinical entry level or degree completion program in dental hygiene, contact the Division of Dental Hygiene.