

## University Transfer – Dentistry and Dental Hygiene 2025-2026

### University of Alberta (U of A) Dental Hygiene Program

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Visit their website at: <https://www.ualberta.ca/en/school-of-dentistry/programs-and-admissions/dental-hygiene/bachelor-of-science-dental-hygiene.html> or [uab.ca/transfer](http://uab.ca/transfer)

The U of A's Dental Hygiene program consists of one year of pre-professional study followed by years two to four in the Dental Hygiene Specialization program. Students must complete 30 transferable credits, 27 credits of which must be taken during one fall/winter. This program is very competitive, with a minimum application GPA of 2.7, but applicants should strive for a minimum GPA of 3.0 to be competitive. Note that this program has an early application deadline (typically November 1).

Enrolment is limited annually to 46 students. Of the 46 positions available, 42 are reserved for Alberta residents, and up to 4 available for non-Alberta residents. In addition to the regular quota positions, additional position(s) per year may be available for a qualified student(s) of Indigenous ancestry. Applicants interested in this program are encouraged to contact [ih@ualberta.ca](mailto:ih@ualberta.ca) or 780-492-2209 for further information and assistance with the admissions process. See the department website for admission guidelines.

Because this program is competitive, students are urged to pursue a science program that provides the necessary prerequisites and would be a rewarding career as a backup plan.

### Year One

Semester 1	Courses	Semester 2	Courses
ENGL 112		ENGL 112	
CHEM 101		CHEM 161	
SOC 100		Elective <sup>1</sup>	
STAT 151		BIOL 107	
PSYC 104 or Elective <sup>1</sup>		PSYC 104 or Elective <sup>1</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Electives may be determined by the "back-up" plan.

### Dentistry

Visit the Canadian Dental Association website at <https://www.cda-adc.ca/en/index.asp> to learn more about the profession and the required Dental Aptitude Test (DAT).

### University of Alberta (U of A) Dentistry Degree

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Or visit their website at: <https://www.ualberta.ca/en/school-of-dentistry/programs-and-admissions/dentistry/dds-doctor-of-dental-surgery.html> or [uab.ca/transfer](http://uab.ca/transfer)

The minimum requirement for admission to the program is the completion of 60 credits of university coursework, with a full course load of 30 credits in each year. You can complete 30 of 60 credits at Lakeland College. We currently do not have the equivalent of Human Physiology<sup>1</sup>. The minimum GPA to apply is 3.3. Other admission requirements include the DAT, Situational Judgement Test, and Personal Experiences.

Of the 32 seats in the program, 29 are reserved for Alberta residents, and up to 3 are available for non-Alberta residents. Indigenous applicants interested in this program are encouraged to contact [ih@ualberta.ca](mailto:ih@ualberta.ca) or 780-492-2209 for further information and assistance with the admissions process. See the department website for admission guidelines.

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### Year One – Choose a maximum of five courses per semester

Semester 1	Courses	Semester 2	Courses
ENGL 112		ENGL 112	
CHEM 101		BIOL 107	
Elective <sup>23</sup>		Elective <sup>23</sup>	
Elective <sup>3</sup>		Elective <sup>3</sup>	
STAT 151 or Elective <sup>3</sup>		STAT 151 or Elective <sup>3</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> We have had students complete PHYSL 210A and 210B online through the University of Alberta in Year Two. This would allow the student to stay for two years.

<sup>2</sup> CHEM 161, PHYSL, BIOCH 200, and MICRB 265 would also be taken in the second year.

<sup>3</sup> Electives may be determined by the student's "backup plan." BIOL 108 and CHEM 102 are good options. Or even PHYS 124. Other popular options are PSYCO and SOC courses.

### University of Saskatchewan (USask) Dentistry Degree

Email: [dentistry.admissions@usask.ca](mailto:dentistry.admissions@usask.ca)

Or visit their website at: <https://dentistry.usask.ca/>

The minimum requirement for admission is the completion of 90 credits of specific university coursework and electives. **You can complete 60 of 90 credits at Lakeland College.** Students must complete 30 credits during the academic year (September to April) for the three pre-professional years. The minimum academic standing is an overall average of 70% for required pre-dentistry courses and a 75% cumulative weighted average for the two best 30-credit unit years of study. There are other admissions requirements, including the DAT. Note that his program has an early application deadline (typically December 1). ***Pending approval, the College of Dentistry is seeking to add a requirement for the 2026–2027 intake which requires that a majority of the credits (>15) within the two best 30 credit-unit years be in natural or health sciences.***

There are 36 seats in the program. Students from other provinces should be aware that there are a limited number of seats for non-Saskatchewan residents. See the website re: proof of Saskatchewan residency: <https://admissions.usask.ca/dentistry.php#Categoriesofapplicants>

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Semester 1	Courses	Semester 2	Courses
Humanities/Social Science Elective <sup>1</sup>		Humanities/Social Science Elective <sup>1</sup>	
BIOL 108		BIOL 107	
CHEM 101		Elective <sup>2</sup>	
PHYS 124 or Elective <sup>2</sup>		Elective <sup>2</sup>	
NUTR 110 or Elective <sup>2</sup>		NUTR 110 or Elective <sup>2</sup>	

### Year Two

Semester 1	Courses	Semester 2	Courses
CHEM 161 <sup>3</sup>		Elective <sup>2</sup> or CHEM 263 <sup>3</sup>	
ANPH 210		ANPH 210	
PHYS 124 or Elective <sup>2</sup>		BIOCH 200	
Elective <sup>2</sup>		MICRB 265	
NUTR 110 or Elective <sup>2</sup>		NUTR 110 or Elective <sup>2</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Most degree routes require 3-6 credits of English, so it is suggested to take ENGL 112

<sup>2</sup> Electives may be determined by the student's "back-up plan." CHEM 102 is a good option. Other popular electives are PSYCO and SOC courses.

<sup>3</sup> In order to get credit for CHEM 250.3 at USask, both CHEM 161 and 263 need to be taken, otherwise, it transfers as unspecified credit. Some back-up plans will require the specified credit.

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### 2025-2026

#### Roles and Responsibilities

The college experience works best when we communicate and work together. Here are some tips on how to do that:

Academic Advising is a partnership and shared responsibility between students and advisors. Academic Advisors at Lakeland College provide information and resources that help students make informed decisions about their course selection and transfer options. However, students are ultimately responsible for ensuring that their course registration is complete and appropriate for their desired program of study and that they meet individual course pre-requisites and graduation requirements. Students who change their routes should be aware that there may not be room in the new program for all previously completed courses.

Students intending to transfer to another post-secondary institution should be aware of the following:

- Admission to Lakeland College and completion of courses does not guarantee admission to programs at other institutions. Students must also meet the entrance requirements of the post-secondary institution which may include specific high school pre-requisites, as well as minimum and/or competitive GPAs.
- Students must also follow the admission procedures of the receiving institution which includes submission of transcripts (high school, post-secondary, and Advanced Placement marks); adherence to deadlines; and payment of fees.
- There may be quotas on the number of students admitted to the program at the receiving institution. For example, some programs may admit a limited number of out-of-province or international students.
- Some receiving institutions specify a minimum grade for transfer credit.
- Courses may be “too old” to transfer as—depending upon the area—they may have a “shelf life” (a time limit on the granting of transfer credit).
- When applying to a post-secondary institution, students need to carefully read and follow all information supplied by that institution. All students are strongly advised to refer to the Academic Calendar of the receiving institution and should contact appropriate departments regarding specific requirements.

If students encounter problems with transferring, they are encouraged to bring all documentation and contact names from the receiving institution to the Lakeland College Registrar or Academic Advisor for review.