



**Vancouver College**[™]
of Dental Hygiene^{Inc.}

Student Application
Package

October
2009



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Fall 2009

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.

The information regarding the Monday, October 5th, 2009 Dental Hygiene Program that you have requested is attached. Please complete the application form in full, and mail it along with the \$150.00 application fee in order to reserve your testing date. **Please note the application fee is non-refundable.**

At the Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc. our goal is to put your needs and your career success first. Once you have enrolled, our friendly staff is available to offer career training tips, guidance and support.

We look forward to speaking with you in the near future about the rewards and benefits of attending the Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.

If you require further information or assistance please visit our webpage at www.vancouver-college-dental.org or contact us directly at (604) 215-7611.

Sincerely,

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.



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ENTRANCE EXAM TESTING DATES

Please choose one of the following days and times and return this form along with application form and the \$150.00 Bank draft of cash payment to:

Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.
3030 East Broadway
Vancouver, BC
V5M 1Z4

Date: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 a.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 a.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 a.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 a.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 a.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 p.m. |

Payments can be made by **Bank draft** and/or **cash** only!

Hours of Operation are as follows:

Monday to Thursday:	8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday:	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday:	CLOSED

Call today to book your entrance exam (604) 215-7611



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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSIONS

Please print clearly in Ink and complete this form in full.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____

Birthdate: _____
D/M/Y

Sex: Male Female

Picture ID: _____

PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS

Street Name: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Are you a Canadian Citizen? YES NO

If **NO***, are you a Landed Immigrant Visa Student

***(Please fill below and attach copy of Visa or Landed Immigrant Status)**

Country of Origin: _____ Date of Entry: _____

Contact person in case of emergencies

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Tel: _____



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Please print clearly in ink and complete this form in full.

HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION

Highest Grade Level Completed: _____ Year: _____

Name of School: _____

Location of School: _____

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

Please list all Academic Institutions that you have attended since leaving Elementary/High School. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Academic Institutions Attended: (List most recent)	Location	Program	Certification: Record of Achievement, Diploma, Degree, Etc.	Year Completed	Expected Date to be Completed	Year Entered	Year Left



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SIGNATURE

I certify that all of the above information is correct and complete. I agree to comply with all of the rules, regulations and policies of Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.

- I have arranged to have proof of education (transcripts) forwarded to the Registrar's office.

- I have read over the mandatory entrance requirements and qualify to write the Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene entrance examination.

Print Name: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____



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VCDH Entrance Requirements

Applicants Educated in Canada

Applicants must have completed **6** First Year University Transfer courses or equivalent totaling **30** credits to meet the following mandatory admission requirements.

- **English** (6 credits)
- **Anatomy and Physiology** (6 credits with Lab components)
- **Chemistry** (6 credits with Lab components)
- **Psychology** (6 credits)
- **Statistics** (3 credits, or 3 equivalent Math credits)
- **One Elective** (3 credits)

The Mandatory pre-admission test applies to all applicants.

Applicants Educated Outside of Canada

Applicants who have graduated from high school and/or post-secondary institution in a foreign country are required to have their diplomas evaluated on a course-by-course basis by the International Credential Evaluation Service (ICES) to determine if their foreign education is equivalent to the First Year University transfer courses taken are equivalent to the above requirements.

All applicable fees associated with ICES are the responsibility of the applicant. Both Comprehensive and Supplemental Evaluations are required. Applicants must arrange to have copies of the evaluation forwarded to Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc. directly from ICES by the required deadlines.

English Proficiency – English is the language in which the dental hygiene program will be taught. It is imperative that the student has a strong grasp of the English language, both verbal and written in order to complete the dental hygiene program.



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Dear Applicant,

This is an important notice to incoming students regarding parking. The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc. has limited parking space, and as a result we provide parking spaces on a first-come, first-serve basis. The fee for parking is \$40.00 (GST included) per month. If you require a parking spot, please see the front desk staff and they will reserve a spot for you, if there is a spot remaining. If there is not, your name will go on a waiting list until a spot becomes available.

Thank you.

Ms. Jeannie Villanueva
Assistant to the Dean of Students
Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.



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Program Fee Form

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc anticipated fees for the Dental Hygiene Program commencing October 5th, 2009 are as follows:

First Year (2 Semesters)

Tuition: \$15,100.00

Additional Fees:

Books: \$2,500.00

Instruments: \$1,500.00

Hand piece Rental Fee: \$ 200.00

Typodont/Study Model Teeth: \$ 500.00

Insurance: \$ 250.00

Materials Fee: \$ 350.00

Total: \$20,400.00

Second Year (2 Semesters)

Tuition: \$15,100.00

Additional Fees:

Books: \$ 400.00

Equipment: \$ 600.00

Insurance: \$ 250.00

Materials Fee: \$ 350.00

Grad Fee: \$ 100.00

Total: \$16,800.00

*** PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN PRICE OF TUITION**

Tuition Fees can only be made by Certified Cheque and/or Money Orders.

Transportation Fees are the responsibility of the students.

Client Fees or any fees related to the client are the responsibility of the student.

Uniform Fees are included in the fees. White running shoes are the responsibility of the student.

National Dental Hygiene Certification Board Fees and the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia Fees are the responsibility of the student.

Insurance Fee is paid to the insurance provider in advance as per their policy and is non-refundable.



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INTRODUCTION

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc. has been in operation since December 2005. It was founded by Dr. Boris Pulec, a licensed Dentist and Ms. Lidia Di Nicolo, a Registered Dental Hygienist who both work and live in Ontario.

The VCDH is registered with the Private Career Training Institution Agency as a Private Career College in British Columbia.

The VCDH Dental Hygiene program has received Accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada.

The VCDH curriculum has met the approval of the College of Dental Hygienist's of British Columbia and the College of Dental Surgeon's of British Columbia.

COMMON QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Is the dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH accredited?

Yes, the dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH has been granted Accreditation by the Commission of Dental Accreditation of Canada.

What is the difference between an Accredited vs. Non Accredited Dental Hygiene Program in Canada?

Students that graduate from an Accredited Dental Hygiene Program in Canada automatically will be granted permission to write the National Dental Hygiene Certification Board Exam with the NDHCB. Once the student successfully passes the National Examination, they can apply for their license with the College of Dental Hygienist's of British Columbia or the province of choice.

Are there fees associated with writing the NDHCB exam?

Yes, there is a fee associated with writing the NDHCB exam and is the full responsibility of the student separate of the fees payable to the VCDH for the dental hygiene program.



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How long is the dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH?

The dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH is 19 months in duration.

Do we receive a certificate of a diploma once we complete the program at the VCDH?

Upon successfully completing the program offered at the VCDH, the student will receive an Official Diploma from the dental hygiene program.

Does the program offer any scheduled breaks and or holidays?

The dental hygiene program runs continuous for the 19 months. There are one week breaks given in between the 4 semesters to the students, therefore 3 weeks in total. If the program runs during the Christmas holidays, then the students will be given the time off in between Christmas and New Year's.

Students prefer this continuous program because they believe that if they have committed themselves to studying, then they would rather go straight thru the program and finish so that they can commence their career as a dental hygienist sooner.

What is the cost of the program offered at the VCDH?

The program fee for the first year is \$20,400.00. This includes everything from Tuition, Textbooks, Insurance, Instruments, Uniforms, Backpacks, Clinical Fees, etc. The balance of the program's fee is \$16,800.00, which is due 8 months into the program.

What method of payment is accepted for the tuition fees?

The VCDH only accepts certified cheque and/or money orders for tuition payments.

Are there any hidden fees that we should be aware of at the VCDH?

There are no hidden fees at the VCDH. We believe that the student should know what their financial situation is well in advance so that they can prepare themselves for the financial commitment of the dental hygiene program.



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What is the admission process?

The applicant must fill out an application form and must successfully achieve a 70% or higher on the entrance exam in order to be granted an interview. During the interview, the student will be asked a series of questions to determine if the student can communicate, comprehend the English language as well to determine if the individual will be most likely to succeed in this program.

Is there a fee associated with the admission process?

Yes, there is a \$150.00 CND fee associated with the application process and the entrance examination for the dental hygiene program.

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc. will accept both Cash and/or Bank draft for the admission process. All cheque's must be payable to the Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene Inc.

What should I expect on the Entrance Examination?

The entrance examination is a multiple choice examination. It includes Basic English questions, reading comprehension, basic biology and chemistry, spatial relation questions and a general aptitude section.

Spatial relation type questions can be found in the DAT books that Dentists may study from prior to getting accepted into the dentistry program. The section on basic biology and or chemistry is equivalent to Grade 12 science which is offered in most high schools.

How many students are accepted into the dental hygiene program?

There are 52 students that are accepted into the dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH.

When the students participate in the theory portion of the program, all students are taught together to ensure consistency in a lecture format. Whereas, whenever there is clinical or hands on component, the students are split up into two groups of 26 students.

In the clinic, there is a 1 to 5 / teacher to student ratio.



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What are the University Pre-requisites that are required prior to entering into the dental hygiene program?

There are six University pre-requisites that are required prior to entering into the dental hygiene program offered at the VCDH. They are as follows: Chemistry, Human Anatomy and Physiology, Psychology, English, Statistics and one Elective.

What can I get these credits?

The VCDH has no preference as to where your credits are achieved as long as they are University transfer courses.

What average do I need to obtain for my University course?

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene only requires that the individual has received their University Credits with a passing grade.

Once the student is enrolled into the dental hygiene program, they must achieve a 70% average in order to be successful in their program.

How many dental chairs does your facility have?

The Vancouver College of Dental Hygiene has 30 dental chairs, 25 of which are full operational plus 5 radiographic units within the clinic.

This allows each student to gain access to their own dental chair.

How is it different if I attend the dental hygiene program in Ontario?

There are many provinces and or states that require the students to have their first year university transfer courses. If a student attends the dental hygiene program at the TCDHA in Ontario, then the student is not required to take their first year university transfer courses prior to applying. In Ontario, the dental hygiene programs are considered direct entry programs, meaning that the applicant can apply directly from high school and does not need any pre-requisites.

The student would attend the dental hygiene program and once successfully completing the program would be offered an Official diploma from our Accredited program. The



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individual would then be required to write the National Dental Hygiene Certification Board Exam and pass.

The graduate could register within Ontario to get their dental hygiene license or they could return to their province or state and apply for their dental hygiene license in the province or state that they would like to practice.

In Ontario, local anesthetic is not a course that is required to be taken since dental hygienists in Ontario cannot practice this procedure. Therefore, if the graduate is returning to a province or state that this is a requirement, then the student would need to take a local anesthetic course prior to applying to get their license.

How do I get additional information?

Please visit our website at www.vancouver-college-dental.org or call (604) 215-7611 to speak to an admissions co-coordinator.