

Prepared by the Department of Health Sciences

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1. **Course Number:** DEN 232
Course Title: Dental Hygiene IV
2. **Description:** In lecture, the students will be introduced to areas of private practice: ethics, practice acts, national and regional licensure, professional organizations, practice management, recare management, and computer use. Discussions will include resume writing, the job interview and the future of dental hygiene.
3. **Student Learning Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, students are able to do the following:
 - Discuss and apply ethical standards and moral judgments to various situations that may occur in the work environment.
 - Define and assess Massachusetts Rules and Regulations and Dental Laws and their effect in the workplace.
 - Design and present an effective resume for job placement.
 - Apply learned skills for the job interview.
 - Define and discuss alternate practice settings and career opportunities in dental hygiene.
 - Critically review and analyze the future of dental hygiene.
4. **Credits:** 2 credits
5. **Satisfies General Education Requirement:** No
6. **Prerequisite:** DEN230 (Dental Hygiene III)
7. **Semester(s) Offered:** Spring
8. **Suggested General Guidelines for Evaluation:** Students are graded by: midterm (25%), final exam (25%), observation assignment (10%) and participatory grade (5%). Students will achieve a grade of C (75) or better in this course in order to graduate from the Dental Hygiene Program.
9. **General Topical Outline (Optional):**
 - Ethics and Jurisprudence
 - Code of Ethics
 - State Dental Practice Act
 - Licensure
 - Expanded Functions
 - Criminal Law
 - Civil Law
 - Liabilities in Dentistry
 - Dental Litigation
 - State Rules and Regulations
 - Resume Writing
 - Practice Management
 - Alternate Office Settings and Career Opportunities
 - Job Interview
 - Technology and Dental Hygiene
 - Future of Dental Hygiene
 - Decision Making
 - Discussion about Workplace Legislation
 - Review State Laws and Rules and Regulations for State Ethics Exam