### Title of Proposal
Dental Hygiene Change Criteria for Admission into the Dental Hygiene Curriculum

### Date
2019-02-22

### Major or Minor
Major

### Proposer's Name
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### Department
Dental Hygiene

### Date of Departmental Meeting in which proposal was approved
10/4/2017

### Department Chair Name
Jocelyn Dillon

### Department Chair Signature and Date
2/19/19

### Academic Dean Name
David Smith

### Academic Dean Signature and Date
2019-02-21

### Brief Description of Proposal
(Describe the modifications contained within this proposal in a succinct summary. More detailed content will be provided in the proposal body.)

Change of entrance requirements for Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Dental Hygiene

### Brief Rationale for Proposal
(Provide a concise summary of why this proposed change is important to the department. More detailed content will be provided in the proposal body.)

Over the last several years, the application process for entering the clinical Dental Hygiene program has become increasingly more competitive. The students with the highest grade point averages (GPA) are ranked numerically and allotted the available seats. Since 2012, the lowest GPA of students accepted to the clinical program has been between 3.0 and 3.2. As a result, we are requesting that the required GPA to be eligible for consideration for entry into the DH clinical program be changed from 2.5 to 3.0

### Proposal History
(Please provide history of this proposal: is this a resubmission? An updated version? This may most easily be expressed as a list.)

2019-02-22 Initial submission
Currently our criteria for consideration for acceptance into the clinical (DH) program states the following:

"Because of capacity limitations, students who have completed the introductory phase with the minimum 2.5 index (GPA) or higher will be numerically ranked each semester and seats will be allocated on the basis of the highest cumulative in the introductory sequence as space permits. Due to the high number of applicants to the clinical phase of the Dental Hygiene program over the (recent) years, the average GPA, for acceptance has been approximately 3.0 or higher."

Based on this change in the range of higher GPA's of applicants, we are requesting that Students must have a GPA of at least 3.0, in order to be considered for entry into the clinical dental hygiene program. The current requirement is 2.5.
**Chancellor's Report Template for Changes in Degree Programs**

**All** The following revisions are proposed for the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Dental Hygiene Program: A.A.S. in Dental Hygiene

**Program Code:** 01303  
**Effective Date:** Spring 2020

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