

ATLANTA TECHNICAL COLLEGE



Dental Hygiene Associate's Degree

6 Semesters

36 Classes

Careers: Dental Hygienists

Estimated Starting Salaries at \$68,000/year



Dental Hygiene Pathways

The Dental Hygiene program is a sequence of courses that prepares students for positions in the dental profession. Learning opportunities develop academic, technical, and professional knowledge and skills required to perform dental hygiene services. Registered dental hygienists work in a variety of professional settings. The public is most familiar with dental hygienists in the private dental office. In this capacity, they perform numerous services in the promotion and prevention of oral diseases. These include oral prophylaxis; examining the head, neck, and oral areas for signs of disease; patient education; taking or developing radiographs; and applying fluoride or sealants. In this setting, registered dental hygienists play a vital role in protecting the oral health of the American public. The number of jobs in this field are projected to increase by 16.5% nationally and 25.6% in the State of Georgia over the next 10 years.

The program in Dental Hygiene at Atlanta Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at 312.440.4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Commission's address is: ada.org.

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*All job growth projections and estimated salaries are based on data from Emsi (Economic Modeling Specialists Inc) and are updated annually.