

Ferris Program: Dental Hygiene

Degree Type: Associate of Applied Science

Ferris College: College of Health Professions

Transfer School: Montcalm Community College

Consortium Eligible: No

Total Credits Required: 86-88

Catalog Year: 2024-2025

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – 34-35 Credits Required

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses. Ferris State University General Education www.ferris.edu/gened.

Communication Competency

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| * ENGL 150 | English 1 | 3 | ENGL 100 |
| ENGL 250 | English 2 | 3 | ENGL 101 |

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Quantitative Literacy Competency

Requirements for Quantitative Literary Competency can be met with the following:

- Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher
- Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher
- Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
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| * MATH 110 or * MATH 115 | Fundamentals of Algebra or Intermediate Algebra | 4 or 3 | MATH 090 or MATH 104 |

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Natural Sciences Competency

One course is required with a minimum of 3 credits: must be a lab course.

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| * BIOL 108 | Medical Microbiology | 3 | BIOL 201 |

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Culture Competency

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| Varies | Culture Electives (Consult Advisor) | 3 | Varies |

Self and Society Competency

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| * SOCY 121 | Introductory Sociology | 3 | SOCI 230 |

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Additional General Education Requirements

These courses are additional General Education courses to meet the requirements for this specific program.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|
| * COMM 105 or * COMM 221 | Interpersonal Communication or Small Group Decision Making | 3 | COMM 220 or COMM 230 |
| * CHEM 114 | Introduction to General Chemistry | 4 | No Equivalent |
| * PSYC 150 | Introduction to Psychology | 3 | PSYC 120 |
| * BIOL 251 | Human Anatomy | 3 | BIOL 202 |
| * BIOL 252 | Human Physiology | 3 | BIOL 203 |

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COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS – 52-53 Credits Required

College of Health Professions (COHP) Core Curriculum

5 Credits Required.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|---|---------------------|-----------------|
| * COHP 100 | Orientation to Medical Vocabulary | 1 | AHEA 215 |
| COHP 101 | The United States Health Care System | 3 | No Equivalent |

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| * COHP 102 | Safety Issues in Health Care | 1 | No Equivalent |

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Major Courses

47-48 Credits Required.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| DHYG 101 | Oral Imaging | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 102 | Oral Imaging Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 104 | Dental Hygiene Theory 1 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 105 | Pre-Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice 1 | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 107 | Oral Science A | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 108 | Oral Science A Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 117 | Oral Science B | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 118 | Oral Science B Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 123 | General and Oral Pathology | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 124 | Dental Hygiene Theory 2 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 126 | Dental Hygiene Practice 2 | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 127 | Dental Materials | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 129 | Dental Materials Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 208 | Periodontology and Pathology Review | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 212 | Dental Hygiene Theory 3 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 213 | Periodontics | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 217 | Community Dentistry A | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 218 | Pharmacology for Dental Hygiene | 2 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 222 | Dental Hygiene Practice 3 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 227 | Community Dentistry A Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 229 | Pain Management | 1 | No Equivalent |

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| DHYG 231 | Pain Management Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 232 | Dental Hygiene Theory 4 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 233 | Dental Hygiene Practice 4 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 237 | Community Dentistry B | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 239 | Community Dentistry B Lab | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 280 | Comprehensive Patient Assessment | 1 | No Equivalent |
| DHYG 291 | Dental Hygiene Practicum | 1-2 | No Equivalent |

PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

New Student Admission Requirements

- 2.70 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) (2.50 -2.69 with college approval)
- Minimum Composite Score of ACT 18/SAT 950 OR 3.0 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) and Composite ACT 17/SAT 900

Transfer Student Admission Requirements

- 2.00 GPA (on a 4.00 scale)

Admission Requirements to the Professional Sequence

- 2.50 College GPA (on a 4.00 scale).
- Obtain a grade of C or higher in the following courses; or their equivalent:
 - **MATH 110 or Math ACT 19 or higher, BIOL 108, COHP 100, ENGL 150, SOCY 121, CHEM 114, BIOL 251/252, COMM 105 or 221, COHP 102, PSYC 150, and a Culture Competency elective course.
 - All Mathematics (MATH), Biology (BIOL), and Chemistry (CHEM) courses must meet the above requirements within two attempts. A withdrawal, W grade, counts as an attempt.
- Application Accepted: February 1st - 15th prior to fall semester requested.

MORE INFORMATION

To fulfill the residency requirement for a bachelor's degree a student must earn a minimum of 30 credits from Ferris State University.

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Steps to Apply

- Complete your [free application](#).
- Submit official transcripts
 - Submit official transcripts from every school attended to Transfer@Ferris.edu
 - Or mail to:
Ferris State University Admissions Office
1201 S. State St., CSS 201
Big Rapids, MI 49307
- Submit test scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to the [ACT website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to the [College Board website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, transfer policies and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Ferris accepts transfer courses in which the student earned a letter grade of "C" or better. Additional policies such as the Ferris Sunset and Residency Requirement should be discussed with a Ferris advisor. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected.

Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective coursework may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for the selection of Directed Electives.

Once admitted, students are required to complete an orientation and should continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

To schedule an appointment or for additional transfer resources and policies see our [Transfer Resource page](#).

*Indicates an approved Ferris course substitution

Reverse Transfer Agreement

Ferris has reverse transfer agreements with several Michigan Community Colleges. Under such agreement, Ferris will provide your official University transcript to a partner school you have attended, so that they may grant you an associate or bachelor's degree upon completion of sufficient and appropriate credit hours from both institutions. In turn, the degree-granting institution will provide Ferris with an updated transcript reflecting the newly earned credential.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program-specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Transfer Equivalencies Tools

The transfer equivalencies link is located in the Transfer Resources section at transfer.ferris.edu.

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Disclaimer

Transfer guides are not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information in this guide is subject to change and is aligned with the catalog year listed above. Students should contact their community college and/or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Students' final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the [Ferris catalog](#) for the most current curriculum.

Partners may contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships with questions or updates at TransferGuidesArticulations@Ferris.edu.