

Course Description**DEH4730 | Dental Hygiene Educational Concepts | 3.00 credits**

This course is designed to introduce the principles of learning and teaching, especially as they apply to allied health professions such as staff training and patient education. Topics include understanding learning theories, learning styles, motivational strategies, collaborative learning, and using technology to support learning. The course introduces students to the career option of education as a profession and provides a foundation for understanding the relationship between planning, implementing, and assessing student learning. Dental hygiene and adult education theory and concepts are the major components of this specialization.

Course Competencies

Course Competency 1: During this course, the student will construct a lesson plan for a chosen topic in the dental hygiene program. The completion of this project will demonstrate the student's ability to:

1. Identify and recall information related to effective teaching beliefs, strategies, and practices.
2. Construct lesson plans that utilize effective teaching strategies.
3. Observe and reflect on classroom practices.

Course Competency 2: During this course, the student will teach a brief lesson consistent with principles of effective teaching and learning. The completion of this project will demonstrate the student's ability to:

1. Synthesize effective teacher practices, strategies, beliefs, and skills through collaborative technology driven methods and media.
2. Apply principles of assessment and classroom management to practical classroom situations.
3. Employ principles of effective teaching to evaluate their own teaching and the teaching of others.