

# Articulation Agreement

Renewal  
between

**Kalamazoo Valley Community College**  
Dental Hygiene - Associate in Applied Science

**Kalamazoo****VALLEY**<sup>™</sup>  
community college

and

**University of Detroit Mercy**  
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene



December 2022

### **Article I - Agreement on Principle**

University of Detroit Mercy (hereafter Detroit Mercy) and Kalamazoo Valley Community College (hereafter KVCC) agree that students who begin their studies at the community college and transfer to Detroit Mercy to earn a bachelor's degree should experience a smooth transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. Detroit Mercy and KVCC enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

### **Article II - Agreement on Program Specifics**

Admission to the Detroit Mercy undergraduate dental hygiene degree completion program is ensured to students who meet the basic Detroit Mercy admission criteria including at least a 2.50 overall GPA {and at least a 2.50 in all dental hygiene classes}. Students who do not satisfy these criteria will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. KVCC graduates within or under this agreement receive equal consideration with others seeking admission or financial aid.

- For KVCC students to transfer more than the standard 63 credits to Detroit Mercy in this program, completing a KVCC associate degree is required.
- Specific courses that transfer are listed within this document
- Based on the courses that are determined to transfer, the maximum number of Detroit Mercy credits that will transfer from KVCC to fulfill specific requirements (or electives) in the Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Program is: **75 Credit Hours**
- At least 30 credits must be completed at Detroit Mercy.
- Courses with less than a "C" grade (2.0) will not transfer.
- Students who are completing the KVCC associate degree are encouraged to select the KVCC humanities and social science courses that also fulfill Detroit Mercy's Core Curriculum.

### **Article III - Agreement on Communication**

Detroit Mercy and KVCC agree to cooperate in communication with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to current and prospective students.

*KVCC students are strongly encouraged to contact both KVCC advisors and Detroit Mercy dental hygiene degree completion advisors as early as possible to put together a customized program plan for courses at both KVCC and Detroit Mercy.*

#### **Article IV - Maintenance and Review Procedures**

Detroit Mercy and KVCC agree to identify at least one individual at each institution to evaluate the continuing effectiveness of this agreement, to facilitate changes to and development of the program, and to advise students in exceptional situations.

#### **Effective Dates**

**This agreement is effective as of December 1, 2022 to December 1, 2027.**

Early in the fifth year, the agreement will be reviewed for possible revisions and renewal. If not renewed, KVCC students who designated this program agreement before its termination will have three additional years to be admitted under the terms of this agreement.

# Articulation Agreement (renewal)

between

**Kalamazoo Valley CC** – Associate of Applied Science, Dental Hygiene

and

**University of Detroit Mercy** – Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

Kalamazoo Valley Community College and University of Detroit Mercy agree to the terms of this agreement which will be in effect from December 1, 2022 to December 1, 2027.

**Kalamazoo Valley CC**



Dr. L. Marshall Washington  
President

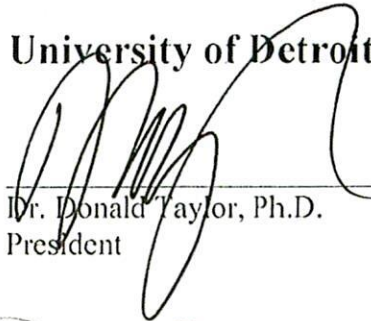


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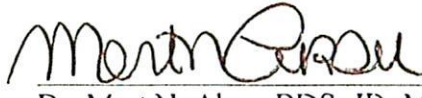
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Dean, School of Dentistry

02.09.2023

Date of Last Signature

## Major Requirements

Course	Course Title	KVCC Credits	Acceptable Detroit Mercy Credits
DHY 111	Anatomy, Histology, Embryology	2	2
DHY 113	Dental Imaging Techniques	1	1
DHY 114	Oral Pathology	2	2
DHY 119	Dental Hygiene Pre-Clinic	5	5
DHY120	Oral Health Care	2	2
DHY 123	Dental Imaging Interpretation	1	1
DHY 124	Periodontology	3	3
DHY 129	Clinical Dental Hygiene I	4	4
COM 113	Interpersonal Communication	3	3
DHY 131	Anatomy of the Head and Neck	2	2
DHY 139	Clinical Dental Hygiene II	3	3
DHY 241	Dental Materials and Specialties	2	2
DHY 242	Orofacial Myology	1	1
DHY 244	Pain Management	2	2
DHY 248	Community Dental Hygiene I	1	1
DHY 249	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	5	5
DHY 251	Ethics, History, Jurisprudence	1	1
DHY 256	Pharmacology	2	2
DHY 258	Community Dental Hygiene II	2	2
DHY 259	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	5	5
DHY 264	Board Exam Prep	2	2
DHY 268	Perio Enrichment ( <b>Optional</b> )		
	<b>DHY block of credits</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>51</b>

## Required Supportive Classes

Course	Course Title	KVCC Credits	Acceptable Detroit Mercy Credits
BIO 110	Anatomy & Physiology	8	8
BIO 130	Microbiology & Infectious Disease	4	4
BIO 210	Human Physiology	4	4
ENG 160	College Writing & Research	4	4
*CHM 100	Fundamentals of Chemistry	4	4
	<b>Total Credits for Program related Courses</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>

February 1, 2023

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Dear Taylor McNeill,

The Dental Hygiene Department went through a college curriculum review process during the fall of 2022 which resulted in changes to the curriculum including alignment of credit hours assigned to courses. The college is requiring increased student scheduling transparency, in order to meet the request, the small group instructional strategy within each clinic course has been removed and developed as a 1 credit pass/fail course for each clinic.

		Credits	Contact hours
DHY 125	Clinic I Small Group	+1	+1
DHY 135	Clinic II Small Group	+1	+1
DHY 245	Clinic III Small Group	+1	+1
DHY 255	Clinic IV Small Group	+1	+1
Total Increase		<b>+4</b>	<b>+4</b>

		Credit hours	Contact hours
DHY 129	Clinical Dental Hygiene I	4 to 3.5 (-.5)	10 to 8.5 (-1.5)
DHY 249	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	5 to 4.5 (-.5)	13 to 11.5 (-1.5)
DHY 259	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	5 to 4.5 (-.5)	13 to 11.5 (-1.5)
Total Loss		<b>-1.5</b>	<b>-4.5</b>

During the curriculum review process, **3 credits** of Social Science were added to the curriculum; in lieu of the embedded psychology and sociology courses.

The Program Requirements are increasing from 51 to 56.5 credits and the Program contact hours are increasing from 90 to 92.5. The Total Credits are increasing from 71 to 76.5 and the Total Contact Hours are increasing from 117 to 119.5.

All changes will be implemented summer 2023; impacting graduating students with the class of 2024.

If you have any questions please reach out to me at [kgrubka@kvcc.edu](mailto:kgrubka@kvcc.edu) or 269-488-4719.

Best Regards,

Kim Grubka  
Dental Hygiene Program Director

**DENTAL HYGIENE**  
**Associate of Applied Science**

**Program Prerequisites (20 credits / 27 contacts)**

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Contact</u>
BIO 110	Anatomy & Physiology	4	6
BIO 130	Micro & Infectious Disease	4	6
BIO 210	Human Physiology	4	6
CHM 100	Fundamentals of Chemistry	4	5
ENG 160	College Writing & Research	4	4

**Program Requirements (~~51~~ 56.5 credits / ~~90~~ 92.5 contacts)**

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Contact</u>
COM 113	Interpersonal Communication	3	3
DHY 111	Anatomy, Embryology, Histology	2	2
DHY 113	Dental Imaging Techniques	1	3
DHY 114	Oral Pathology	2	2
DHY 119	Dental Hygiene Pre-Clinic	5	11
DHY 120	Oral Health Care	2	2
DHY 123	Dental Imaging Interpretation	1	1
DHY 124	Periodontology	3	3
DHY 125	Clinic I Small Group	1	1
DHY 129	Clinical Dental Hygiene I	<del>4</del> 3.5	<del>10</del> 8.5
DHY 131	Anatomy of the Head & Neck	2	2
DHY 135	Clinic II Small Group	1	1
DHY 139	Clinical Dental Hygiene II	3	7
DHY 241	Dental Materials & Specialties	2	4
DHY 242	Orofacial Myology	1	2
DHY 244	Pain Management	2	2
DHY 245	Clinic III Small Group	1	1
DHY 248	Community Dental Hygiene I	1	1
DHY 249	Clinical Dental Hygiene III	<del>5</del> 4.5	<del>13</del> 11.5
DHY 251	Ethics, History, Jurisprudence	1	1
DHY 255	Clinic IV Small Group	1	1
DHY 256	Pharmacology	2	2
DHY 258	Community Dental Hygiene II	2	4
DHY 259	Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	<del>5</del> 4.5	<del>13</del> 11.5
DHY 264	Board Exam Preparation	2	2
	Social Science <sup>1</sup>	3	3

**Total Credits: ~~71~~ 76.5**

**Total Contact Hours: ~~117~~ 119.5**

<sup>1</sup> Social Science Elective (3) = see Political/Social Science General Education Requirements

Board Approved Date

Effective Term

Program Code

202330

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