

MERIT DENTAL HYGIENE ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

AUGUST 2021 CLINICAL START DATE

The purpose of Merit Dental Hygiene Admissions is to allow students who have completed the pre-requisites and have been accepted into the clinical phase of the dental hygiene program to apply for special consideration for priority admission with an earlier start date. Points are awarded on pre-set, published criteria. Students are ranked based on their total number of points (must be a minimum of 19 points, with 14 of those points based on academics as listed on the checklist). The top students by point total are then admitted based on the number of available slots.

If a student earned a grade of D, F, or WF in any DAT or DHG course, he/she is not eligible for Merit Admissions.

Name: (please print) _____ MTC ID#: _____

Instructions for completing the Merit Dental Hygiene Admissions Checklist:

Applicants must do the following in order to be considered for Merit Nursing:

1. You must meet the following criteria before you can apply for Merit Admission:
 - a. Regular admission criteria for the Dental Hygiene program; and
 - b. Successful completion of the Dental Hygiene interview and observation with acceptance into the Dental Hygiene program.

Log onto your MyMTC account. First, click on "MTC Transcripts/Grades" and print your unofficial MTC transcript. Then, click on "Transfer Transcript Summary" and print a summary of your transfer credits into MTC.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that official transcripts of all coursework from all previous colleges and official test scores have been evaluated and posted to the student's account before applying for Merit Admissions. Students should check their MyMTC account for this information. Students should allow four weeks for official documents to be posted to their account after they are received at MTC.

2. Applicants **with prior health care work experience** may contact Lee Muthig (822-3456) for additional information that may be considered and included with this checklist.

MTC transcripts and MTC Transfer Transcript Summary (if applicable) must be attached or the checklist will be considered incomplete. Incomplete checklists will not be processed.

Important Information Regarding the Merit Dental Hygiene Admissions Checklist:

1. Completed Merit Checklists must be submitted by mail or in person (DO NOT FAX DOCUMENTS)
 - a. In person: Airport Campus Student Center, c/o Molly Shealy, Admissions
 - b. By mail: Midlands Technical College, P.O. Box 2408, Columbia, SC 29202, ATTN: Airport Campus Admissions.

2. Completed checklists and required documentation must be received **no earlier than February 1, 2021 and no later than February 26, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.** *Checklists postmarked on or before February 26, 2021 will not be processed if they arrive after February 26, 2021 at 1:30 pm.* Checklists submitted without MTC transcripts and/or MTC Transfer Transcript Summary will be considered incomplete and will not be processed.

3. Emails indicating acceptance or non-acceptance for Merit Admissions will be sent on or before March 19, 2021. Emails will be sent to MTC students emails along with personal emails on file.

Incomplete Merit Dental Hygiene checklists will not be processed.

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PLEASE PRINT – this information will be used to contact you. Date _____

Name: (please print) _____ MTC ID#: _____

Address: _____ City, State & Zip _____

Phone (cell) _____ Phone (home) _____

MyMTC Email: _____@student.midlandstech.edu

(If your mailing address changes, it is your responsibility to notify the Merit Admissions Coordinator.)

Please note – for Merit Admissions, the Allied Dental Education Program is counting the FIRST ATTEMPT at the courses listed below in the criteria – not a repeated grade. For example if you received a W or WF the first time you took a class, the W or WF would count even if the second attempt was a passing grade. The only exception is the Health Science course repeat policy, which will be applied to all coursework attempted in the 10 years prior the student’s applying for program eligibility status (in this case, the interview eligibility date), whether the course work was completed at MTC or at other colleges (MTC 2018-2020 Academic Catalog, p.112).

If you earned a grade of D, F, or WF in any Dental Assisting or Dental Hygiene course you are not eligible for Merit Admissions. In regards to this rule, please indicate if you have ever received Academic Fresh Start from MTC below:

Yes _____ No _____

Enter your points in the box on the right. This will be checked by the Merit Admissions Coordinator using your MTC transcript and MTC Transfer Transcript Summary. Failure to include a copy of your unofficial MTC transcripts and your Transfer Transcript Summary will result in your checklist being marked as incomplete. Incomplete checklists will not be processed.

Section A (Academic Section)

CRITERIA	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS	VERIFIED (Official Use Only)
BIO 210 (Or transferable equivalent)	C = 1 B = 3 A = 5		
BIO 211 (Or transferable equivalent) (Within the published Health Science guidelines)	C = 1 B = 3 A = 5		
BIO 115/BIO 225 (Or transferable equivalent) (Within the published Health Science guidelines)	C = 1 B = 3 A = 5		
CHM 105 (Or transferable equivalent) (Within the published Health Science guidelines)	C = 1 B = 3 A = 5		
MAT 102 or higher (Or transferable equivalent) (not including MAT 155)	C = 1 B = 3 A = 5		

Applicants must have a minimum of 14 points in this section

Section B

TEAS V, SAT or ACT (no more than three years old as of merit application date).	TEAS V	SAT (Prior to Mar 5, 2016)	SAT (On or after Mar 5, 2016)	ACT	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS	VERIFIED (Official Use Only)
		910-1029	990-1109	19-21	1		
	60-69	1030-1139	1110-1119	22-24	2		
	70-79	1140-1259	1120-1319	25-27	3		
	80-89	1260-1379	1320-1429	28-30	4		
	90-94	1380-1519	1430-1539	31-33	5		
	95-100	1520-1600	1540-1600	34-36	6		

CRITERIA	LEVEL	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS	VERIFIED (Official Use Only)
Prior Health Care Work Experience <i>(References will be forwarded for approval by Lee Muthig)</i>	Health Field not listed below	1		
	Front Desk Dental	2		
	OJT Dental Assistant/Dental Lab Tech	1 – 3		
	EDDA student of a CODA accredited program	3		
	Formally educated EDDA/Lab Tech/Nurse	4 – 5		
	Military DHG/Foreign Trained Dentist	5		
Prior College Degree, Diploma, and/or Certificate <i>(must have 3.0 GPA or higher)</i>	College Certificate/Diploma	1		
	Associate Degree	2		
	Bachelor's Degree	3		
	Masters Degree	4		
	Doctoral Degree	5		
Interview Process and Group Activity Observation <i>(Completed by MTC Dental Program during Phase I process)</i>	Score of: 68-73	1		
	Score of: 74-83	3		
	Score of: 84-87	5		

Total Score: (Minimum of 19 points) _____