# COURSE SYLLABUS

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<th>Course Title:</th>
<th>Standards, Ethics and Jurisprudence for the Dental Hygienist</th>
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## Course Code: DHY*207

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## Prerequisites:
Matriculation in Dental Hygiene

## Corequisites:
None

## Other Requirements:
None

## Catalog Course Description:
Examination of current biomedical issues related to ethical decision making, employee rights and responsibilities, and standards related to dental hygiene practice management. The Connecticut State Dental Practice Act is compared with other practice acts in various states.

## Topical Outline:

1. **Standards for Dental Practice Management (include but not limited to)**
   - Occupational Safety
   - Infection Control
   - Affirmative Action
   - Employee (FMLA, Wages, etc.)
   - Patient/Client Rights

2. **Ethics for Dental Professionals**
   - Ethical principles and values
   - Theories of moral development
C. Code of ethics  
D. American Dental Hygiene Association - Code of Ethics  
E. Ethical dilemmas  
F. HIPAA

3. Dental Practice Jurisprudence  
A. Criminal (including insurance fraud), Civil, Tort Law  
B. Contract Law  
C. Consent  
D. Risk Management  
E. Licensure, Practice Act  
F. Forensics  
G. Reporting domestic violence

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:
1. demonstrate an ability to make informed responsible decisions  
2. recognize and respect rights and responsibilities of patients and provider employers  
3. identify, interpret and apply the laws that govern the practice of dentistry in the State of Connecticut  
4. respond to current ethical problem which impact on patient/client treatment and apply the ethical decision making process to a dilemma  
5. assess and manage needs for on-going quality assurance as well as reducing and controlling risks in the dental practice.  
6. demonstrate an ability to determine compliance management with OSHA regulations  
7. demonstrate an ability to establish compliance with biological, chemical, environmental, physical, and psychological workplace hazards that are part of effective dental practice management

PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

GENERAL EDUCATION: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

3. Ethical Dimensions - Students will identify ethical principles that guide individual and collective actions and apply those principles to the analysis of contemporary social and political problems.

Demonstrates: Identifies and reflects critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica.

Does Not Demonstrate: Does not sufficiently identify or reflect critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica.

Evaluation:  
List how the above outcomes will be assessed.

Assessment will be based on the following criteria:
1. cases  
2. classroom activities  
3. quizzes
### Instructional Resources:

List library (e.g., books, journals, online resources), technological (e.g., Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g., equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.

**Required:** No special facilities are required

**Desired:** None

### Textbook(s)