

**Baccalaureate Degree Completion
College of Health and Human Sciences (HHS)
Northern Illinois University**

Rock Valley College – AAS Dental Hygiene

The Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) is uniquely designed for professionals who hold a professional credential, certificate, or license in health or human services and have completed an applied associate program or an equivalent number of credits. It includes both a required core of courses and electives in health and human sciences to provide a **foundation for leadership and management** within health and human service fields.

AAS Dental Hygiene (2009-2010 catalog) - transfer credit (34)

<u>RVC course</u>	<u>NIU Articulation</u>	<u>Requirement satisfied</u>
BIOS 274 (4)	BIOS 213 or 313	elective
BIOS 281 (4) & BIOS 282 (4)	BIOS 357 – Anatomy & Physiology	elective
CHM 210 (4)	CHEM EL	SCI/MATH GE
ENG 101 (3)	ENGL 103 – Rhetoric and Composition I	GE core
ENG 103 (3)	ENGL 104 – Rhetoric and Composition II	GE core
HUM Elective (3)	Humanities (if IAI humanities code)	GE HUM
PSY 170 (3)	PSYC 102 – Introduction to Psychology	GE SS/BGS Core
SOC 190 (3)	SOCI 170 – Introduction to Sociology	GE SS
SPH 131 (3)	COMS 100 – Oral Communication	GE core

BGS – HHS Core Requirements (beyond Physical Therapy requirements & other general education still needed)

NIU course work for Core Requirements (30 credits)

(Note: NIU HHS-BGS courses are offered online or in a blended online format)

- AHRS 200, Disability in Society (3)
- IDSP 465, Issues in Gerontology (3)
- IHHS 350, Critical Thinking for HHS Professions (3)
- IHHS 450, Administration for Professionals in HHS (3)
- UHHS 310 Introduction to HHS (3)
- UHHS 410, Legal & Ethical Issues (3)
- UHHS 430, Working with Diverse Populations in HHS (3)
- UHHS 455, Resource Allocation in HHS (3)
- UHHS 460, Introduction to Research in HHS (3)
- UNIV 310, Foundations in Homeland Security and Disaster Preparedness (3) or TECH 432, Disaster Preparedness (3)

RVC course work for Core Requirements (9 credits)

- FCNS 280, Human Development, the Family, & Society (3) – RVC Equivalent: PSYC 270
- PHHE 295, Ecology of Health (3) – RVC Equivalent: FWS 233
- or PHHE 206, Contemporary Health Concepts (3) – RVC Equivalent: FWS 231
- STAT 208, Basic Statistics (3) – RVC Equivalent: MTH 220 – Elements of Statistics

BGS Electives – NIU or RVC course work (8 credits)

Students must consult with the BGS advisor to insure upper division course work requirement for the university is met through the BGS elective courses. Any NIU course work in AHCD, AHLS, AHPT, AHRS, COMD, FCNS, NURS or PHHE will also meet BGS electives. Others can be considered in consultation with the BGS advisor if applicable to personal goals.)

RVC course

- BUS 105 -Consumer Economics and Personal Finance
- CHD 101 – The Developing Child or PSYC 230 – Child Development
- FWS 235 - Alcohol & Drug Education
- FWS 236 Human Sexuality

NIU Equivalent

- FCNS 207
- FCNS 230
- PHHE 201
- PHHE 306

HLT 101 – Introduction to Healthcare Careers	AHLS EL
HLT 102 – Medical Terminology I	EL
HLT 103 – Personal & Occupational Stress	AHLS EL
HLT 104 – Medical Terminology II	EL
NRS 108 – Pathophysiology: Altered Health Concepts	EL

General Education Courses still needed to be completed -outside of courses required for BGS (9 credits)

GE deficiencies can be met through RVC transfer work and be completed while concurrently enrolled in the B.G.S. program. (Note: completion of an Associate of Science (AS) or an Associate of Arts (AA) in addition to the AAS degree, will meet NIU GE requirements per university Articulation agreement.)

EEC Course

IAI Humanities – Fine arts (3)
 IAI Humanities or GE HUM (3)
 IAI Science (3)

NIU Equivalent

GE HUM
 GE HUM
 GE SCI/MATH

Proficiency Credits – UHHS 300 (30)

One of the unique features of program is the awarding of NIU proficiency credit for courses taken in the professional field. Based on the degree requirements for the AAS in Dental Hygiene, the College of Health and Human Sciences, College Curriculum Committee has determined that 30 proficiency credits will be awarded in UHHS 300. These credits will be posted to the NIU record upon completion of the 50 hours required for the B.G.S. in HHS.

Admission to the Baccalaureate Completion Program

- Admission to NIU as a regular degree seeking student
- Current professional credential, certificate, or license in a health or human sciences field and completed applied associates degree program or equivalent number of credits.
- Submit B.G.S. in HHS application, including written professional goals statement and copies of appropriate professional credentials, certificates, or license

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Academic Advising

All NIU students must meet university graduation and general education (GE) requirements. BGS students work with the BGS advisor to identify GE deficiencies and monitor progress toward completion of these and other university graduation requirements (i.e. 120 total credit hours with at least 30 hours from NIU.)