
DHYG 4805L - Clinical Dental Hygiene 5

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 02, CRN 41226,

Credit hours: 4

Instructor

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Public Instructor Information

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Instructor Professional Qualifications:

Master of Health and Human Services (MHHS), Youngstown State University, 2008

BSAS in Allied Health, Youngstown State University, 2005

AAS in Dental Hygiene, Youngstown State University, 1994

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DHYG 4805L Clinical Faculty:

As per the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), documentation of professional qualifications, dental and dental hygiene licenses, continuing education courses and training of all YSU Dental Hygiene Program faculty is maintained in the Dental Hygiene Main Office, Cushwa, Rm. 1202.

Monday:

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- BS Bio/Chem, Youngstown State University (YSU), 1993; DDS, Case Western Reserve Univ., 1997

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- BA Biology, California State Univ., Northridge, 1982; DDS, University of Southern California, 1986

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- AAS Dental Hygiene, YSU, 1980; BSAS in Allied Health, YSU, 1991

R. Palich, RDH (am) - see above

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- BS in Dental Hygiene, YSU, 2020

Wednesday:

K. Acord, RDH kmacord@ysu.edu (pm)

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P. Barkett, DDS pabarkett@ysu.edu (pm) - see above

K. Dye, RDH kadye@ysu.edu (am) - see above

J. Malys, DDS jmmalys@ysu.edu (am)

- BS in Comp. Science, YSU, 1976; DDS, Ohio State Univ., 1980

R. Palich (am and pm) - see above

Friday:

M. Kadvan, RDH mlkadvan@ysu.edu (am & pm)

- BS in Dental Hygiene, YSU, 2024

J. Logan, DDS jclogan@ysu.edu (am)

- DDS, Ohio State Univ., 1989

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- BS in Dental Hygiene, YSU, 2022; MHHS, YSU, 2024

Course Description

4805L. Clinical Dental Hygiene 5. Advanced clinical application of dental hygiene techniques with emphasis on patient management and radiographic assessment resulting in an individualized and comprehensive treatment plan for periodontal patients. Twelve hours of clinic per week. Prereq.: DHYG 3704L. 4 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Optional	No Readings		

There are no assigned course readings; however, this is subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning. It is recommended that the textbooks of the program are utilized in preparation for clinic sessions and evaluations.

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DHYG 4805L Tentative Course Calendar (Subject to Change)

Day	Date	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
Mon	8/24		Orientation #1
Wed	8/26		Orientation #2 - 4805L goals due
Fri	8/28		Orientation #3
Mon	8/31		First patient day
Wed	9/2		Clinic patients
Fri	9/4		Clinic patients
Mon	9/7		Labor Day - YSU Closed
Wed	9/9		Clinic patients
Fri	9/11		Clinic patients
Mon	9/14		Clinic patients
Wed	9/16		Clinic patients
Fri	9/18		Clinic patients
Mon	9/21		Clinic patients
Wed	9/23		Clinic patients
Fri	9/25		All DHYG 3704L deficiencies due. Faculty begin patient record audits. Clinic patients
Mon	9/28		Clinic patients

Wed	9/30	Clinic patients
Fri	10/2	4 process evaluations due Clinic patients
Mon	10/5	Students confirm appointments with their advisors for Mid-semester review Clinic patients
Wed	10/7	Clinic patients
Fri	10/9	Clinic patients
Mon	10/12	Mid-Semester Review Conferences. Dismiss patients 45 minutes early. Clinic patients
Wed	10/14	Mid-Semester Conferences Clinic patients
Fri	10/16	Mid-Semester Conferences Clinic patients
Mon	10/19	Clinic patients
Wed	10/21	Clinic patients
Fri	10/23	Clinic closed. CE Course and Open House/ Alumni Event Please note: 10/25/26 is the last day to withdraw with a "W"
Mon	10/26	Clinic patients
Wed	10/28	Clinic patients
Fri	10/30	Clinic patients
Mon	11/2	Clinic patients
Wed	11/4	The Rich Center children
Fri	11/6	Clinic patients
Mon	11/9	Clinic patients
Wed	11/11	Veteran's Day - YSU Closed
Fri	11/13	9 process evaluations due; ODHA Annual Session - Class officers attend Clinic patients SATURDAY 11/14 - ODHA Poster presentations; all students attend
Mon	11/16	Clinic patients
Wed	11/18	Clinic patients
Fri	11/20	Clinic patients
Mon	11/23	All 4805L requirements due Clinic patients
Wed	11/25	Thanksgiving break - no class
Fri	11/27	Thanksgiving break - no class
Mon	11/30	Clinic close-out meetings and duties. Portfolios due by 8am to your clinic faculty advisor and Prof. Palich
Wed	12/2	Clinic close-out
Fri	12/4	Clinic close-out
Mon	12/7	Finals Week

The course schedule, policies, procedures, and assignments in this course are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, by mutual agreement, and/or to ensure better learning.