

UMKC Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Education Program Mission, Goals and Vision Statement

Mission Statement

The UMKC School of Dentistry Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Education (MSDHE) provides a comprehensive education of both theory and practical applications and prepares the dental hygienist to assume a variety of employment opportunities where leadership in advanced communication skills, critical thinking, problem-solving, evidence-based decision making, and lifelong learning are needed.

Vision Statement

The UMKC School of Dentistry Graduate Dental Hygiene Program will serve as a model dental hygiene graduate program that increases the education of the dental hygienist unrelated to geographic location.

Program Goals

Career Opportunities

Graduates will assume roles in a variety of employment opportunities including education, research, and administration.

Research

Graduates will develop the foundational skills necessary to contribute to the body of knowledge in dental hygiene research.

Lifelong Learning

Graduates will demonstrate the skills of reflective thinking, problem-solving, scholarly inquiry, and evidence-based decision making in an effort to promote lifetime learning.