COURSE SYLLABUS

DHY 225   Special Patient Management

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Dental health education is concerned with the knowledge, attitudes, skills and behaviors necessary to promote oral health and prevent oral disease through educational efforts. This course will explain the principles and theories of education which will enhance the ability of the dental hygiene student as an oral health educator. The approach taken will provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to meet the needs of community groups as distinct from the traditional clinical approach designed to meet the needs of individual patients.

PREREQUISITES:

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

- Recognize physical, mental, medical, social, and dental needs of people with special needs.
- Adapt dental hygiene procedures and treatment plans to meet the needs of the individuals with special needs, taking into consideration needs, barriers, resources, and referrals in keeping with the normalization process.
- Plan, implement, and evaluate a community-based prevention program for special individuals.
- Evaluate state, regional, or national trends and legislation for their potential impact on provision of dental care.
- Assess one’s professional attitudes, values, and commitment to providing dental care to Patients with special needs.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
93% - 100% = A
86% - 92% = B
85% - 75% = C
69% - 74% = D
0% - 68% = E