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# Ustni higienik/ustna higieničarka

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## Selected qualifications

<b>Name of qualification</b>	Ustni higienik/ustna higieničarka
<b>Translated title (no legal status)</b>	Oral hygienist
<b>Type of qualification</b>	Višja strokovna izobrazba
<b>Category of qualification</b>	Izobrazba
<b>Type of education</b>	Short cycle higher vocational education
<b>Duration</b>	2 years
<b>Credits</b>	120 credits
<b>Admission requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Matura or vocational matura (previously final examination) or</li><li>• master craftsman/foreman/shop manager examination, three years' work experience and a test of knowledge of general education subjects at the level required for the vocational matura in secondary technical education.</li></ul>

## ISCED field

Field  
Zdravstvo in socialna varnost

## ISCED subfield

subfield zobozdravstvo

## Qualification level

SQF 6  
EQF 5  
Short cycle

## Learning outcomes

The student will be able to:  
(general competences)

- keep up to date with specialist literature,
- adapt to a constantly developing profession,
- show responsibility, communicativeness, precision, creativity, perseverance, honesty and decisiveness in accordance with ethical principles,
- take a holistic approach to the patient and knowledge – establish a good relationship with patients and their family members,
- behave courteously and respectfully towards patients and people in general,
- make rational use of energy, material and time,
- protect health and the environment and show responsibility for own safety and the safety of others,

(vocationally specific competences)

- plan, prepare, implement and check own work,
- communicate with patients, family members and co-workers in a dental team and with other professionals,
- use technical terminology and communicate in a foreign language,
- use modern information and communication technologies,
- participate in a dental nursing team for oral hygiene activity and in coordinating the work of support services,
- compile dental documentation and other documentation,
- keep records of, order and store materials for the provision of oral hygiene,
- maintain dental tools, instruments and equipment,
- perform oral hygiene for individuals in different stages of life and conditions,
- acquire knowledge about the importance of teeth, periodontal tissues and the oral cavity,
- acquire knowledge about the effect of systemic diseases on oral health,
- provide oral hygiene advice and education to all sections of the population,
- provide dietary advice with regard to diseases of the teeth and the oral cavity,
- perform scaling to remove plaque
- perform root planing,
- polish and whiten teeth,
- perform topical fluoridation,
- perform dental fissure watering,
- take intraoral X-rays,
- assist the patient with oral hygiene,
- perform preventive, diagnostic and curative/therapeutic oral hygiene procedures,

- perform basic resuscitation procedures,
- record, keep, monitor and evaluate data on the state of patients' teeth and gums,
- organise and participate in the process of formal and non-formal education and training.

## Assessment and completion

Students' knowledge is assessed by means of practical exercises and seminar papers, and also via products, projects, performances, services and otherwise, and by examinations. Examination performance is scored as follows: 10 (excellent); 9 (very good: above-average knowledge but with some mistakes); 8 (very good: solid results); 7 (good); 6 (adequate: knowledge satisfies minimum criteria); 5-1 (inadequate). In order to pass an examination, the candidate must achieve a grade between adequate (6) and excellent (10).

## Progression

Students progress to the second year if they have successfully completed all subjects from the first year and prepared a written report on practical training.

## Transitions

First-cycle study programmes (SQF, level 7)

## Condition for obtaining certificate

Students receive a diploma when they have completed all compulsory modules and subjects totalling 105 credits, an elective module totalling 5 credits and a diploma thesis (5 credits).

## Awarding body

Higher vocational school in cooperation with employers providing practical training.

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