

ODHA STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROFILE – Ayesha Siddiqua Syeda

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What made you want to become a registered dental hygienist?

I have always enjoyed healthcare and helping people improve their overall well-being. After my previous experience in dentistry, I wanted a career in the same field. I loved the idea of helping clients maintain healthy smiles through prevention and education, not just treatment. Dental hygiene was the perfect fit because it combines patient care, prevention, and continuous learning.

What type of practice setting do you hope to work in?

I'm excited to begin my career as a registered dental hygienist. I'm looking forward to working in a general dental practice where I can continue learning, build strong relationships with clients, and gain experience treating a wide variety of cases. I'd also love to explore opportunities in the research field and it's my dream to have my own practice in the future.

How will you celebrate your graduation?

I plan to celebrate this milestone with my family. They have been a huge part of this journey. After all the early mornings, long clinic hours, exams, and stressful moments, I want to take a moment to truly enjoy this achievement. We'll go out for a nice dinner, take lots of pictures, and make memories together. More than anything, I want the celebration to be about gratitude, reflection, and the excitement of starting a new chapter as a dental hygienist.

What do you think dental hygiene students should know about their free student membership?

I think every dental hygiene student should take advantage of their ODHA membership. It's a great way to stay informed about the profession, access valuable educational resources and continuing education opportunities, network with other dental hygienists, and stay up to date on changes that affect our profession. It has got great perks and is a valuable resource that supports both students and new graduates as they begin their careers.

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