

Program: Dental Assisting

Students prepare for careers as chair side dental assistants, dental office managers, and infection control specialists. The program is designed in accordance with American Dental Association guidelines and is fully accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. After completing industry-specific competencies, students may take the Dental Assisting national board examination to earn nationally recognized credentials as a certified dental assistant. Note: General education requirements must be taken 1) prior to entering the program or, 2) before or after the regularly schedule dental assisting coursework.

For program costs and fees refer to the catalog TUITION AND FEES PAGE.

Program Learning Outcomes

1 Apply infection control and safety guidelines in the dental setting

2 Collect diagnostic treatment data

3 Perform clinical supportive treatments

4 Take diagnostic radiographs

5 Perform dental laboratory procedures

6 Provide patient oral health instruction

7 Model professional behaviors, ethics and appearance

Program: None

Degree	Quarter		Course ID	Title	Prerequisites	Credits
DENTAL ASSISTING AAS (90)	1	Required Courses	DNTA101	Dental Sciences I		5
			DNTA102	Introduction to Chairside Assisting		5
			DNTA103	Dental Materials I		4
			DNTA112	Biomedical Sciences		5
			DNTA144	Dental Radiology		5
	2	Required Courses	DNTA115	Chairside Skills		6
			DNTA116	Dental Sciences II		4
			DNTA117	Dental Materials II		5
			DNTA148	Advanced Dental Radiography		5
	3	Required Courses	DNTA123	Specialty Skills		5
			DNTA125	Office Administration		5
			DNTA126	Advanced Chairside Skills		6
			DNTA135	Practical Lab Applications		3
	4	Required Courses	DNTA151	Clinical Experience I		5
			DNTA154	Clinical Experience II		5
DNTA155			Clinical Seminar		2	

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General Education Requirements

Note: See a Career Advisor prior to choosing courses that meet general education requirements.

Degree	Gen Ed Area	Course Options		Credits		
AAS	Communications (5 credits required)	ENGL175	PROFESSIONAL WRITING	5		
		ENGL&101	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	5		
HUM/SS/NS/O	(5 credits required)	BIOL&160	GENERAL BIOLOGY	5		
		BIOL&175	HUMAN BIOLOGY WITH LAB	5		
		BIOL&241	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I	5		
		BIOL&242	HUMAN A&P II	5		
		BIOL&260	MICROBIOLOGY	5		
		CHEM&121	INTRODUCTION CHEMISTRY	5		
		CHEM&131	CHEMISTRY	5		
		CMST&102	INTRO TO MASS MEDIA	5		
		CMST&152	INTERCULTURAL COMM	5		
		CMST&210	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICTN	5		
		CMST&220	PUBLIC SPEAKING	5		
		CMST&230	SML GROUP COMMUNICATIONS	5		
		ECON&201	MICROECONOMICS	5		
		ECON&202	MACROECONOMICS	5		
		HIST101	HISTORY-SCIENCE/TECH	5		
		HREL111	COLLEGE/JOB SRCH SUCCESS	5		
		NUTR&101	INTRO TO NUTRITION	5		
		PHYS&221	ENGINEERING PHYS I W/LAB	5		
		PHYS&222	ENGINEER PHYS II W/LAB	5		
		PHYS&223	ENGINEER PHYS III W/LAB	5		
		POLS&101	INTRO TO POL SCIENCE	5		
		PSYC&100	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	5		
		PSYC&200	LIFESPAN PSYCHOLOGY	5		
		SOC&101	INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY	5		
		Quantitative	(5 credits required)	MATH171	TECHNICAL MATH	5
				MATH172	APPLIED BUSINESS MATH	5
				MATH174	MATH FOR ALLIED HEALTH	5
				MATH&107	MATH IN SOCIETY	5
				MATH&141	PRECALCULUS I	5
				MATH&142	PRECALCULUS II	5
				MATH&146	INTRODUCTION TO STATS	5
				MATH&151	CALUCLUS I	5
MATH&153	CALCULUS III	5				