

PROGRAM OF STUDY

Dental Assisting Associate in Science Degree

Purpose: To provide a background in biodental sciences and practical training in dental office business procedures, chairside assisting, oral x-ray technology, coronal polish, and manipulation of dental materials.

Required Courses

		Units
DA101	Dental Assisting 1	22
DA102	Dental Assisting 2	13
DA103	Dental Assisting 3	3

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Additional Requirements: Completion of one year of high school computer keyboarding or the equivalent prior to completion of the dental assisting program. Completion of an American Heart Association or American Red Cross approved CPR Healthcare Providers course prior to participation in DA 101.

Students admitted to the dental assisting program are expected to maintain a 2.0, "C" average in their dental assisting courses. Failure to maintain a 2.0, "C" average in DA courses will result in termination from the program.

Students are required to purchase malpractice insurance, personal protection equipment, radiology film holder, and designated clinic attire. Immunization for Hepatitis B is recommended. Radiology courses cannot be taken during pregnancy.

Additional Information: 300 hours of supervised clinical training provides the student with an opportunity to refine his/her skills. Graduates of the DA program have both the theory and practical skills to enter the job market and to qualify to sit for the Registered Dental Assistants Examination offered by the Dental Board of California. The coronal polish and oral radiology courses are approved by the Dental Board of California.

Total Units

38

Effective Term: Spring 2008

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