Dental Assisting Certificate

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
This one-year program includes lectures/laboratory coursework, hands-on clinical experience and formal clinical internships, offering excellent preparation for entry-level employment within the dental industry. You'll learn to collect patient histories and take vital signs, pre-fit provisional crowns, take X-rays, assist with orthodontic procedures, and more. The recommended preparation for the program includes high school chemistry and biology. CPR for health professionals is required. Once you become an enrolled student, you have the option to apply for admission into the Dental Hygiene Program for the following year.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW
Please note: Courses are subject to change. See an academic advisor for the most current curriculum requirements.

FALL SEMESTER:
DEN 111 Dental Radiography I
DEN 112 Oral Anatomy and Physiology I
DEN 113 Barrier Precautions and Infection Control Measures
DEN 211 Dental Materials
DAS 110 Preclinical Dental Assisting
BIOLOGY ELECTIVE
ENG 101 College Composition OR
ENG 200 Advanced Composition

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SPRING SEMESTER:
DAS 120 Clinical Dental Assisting Practice
DAS 122 Advanced Biomedical Sciences for Dental Assisting Practice
DEN 121 Dental Radiography II
DAS 227 Dental Specialties Procedures
DEN 228 Dental Office Management
SPC 144 Communication and Crisis

TOTAL CREDITS: 32-33

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