

Program Information

DENTAL ASSISTANT



Portland, OR

Program Overview

The Dental Assistant is a valuable member of the dental healthcare team and performs many services on behalf of the dentist. The Dental Assistant's responsibilities may include preparing patients for procedures, maintaining treatment records, exposing and processing dental x-rays, reviewing oral hygiene and postoperative care instructions, performing laboratory work, and managing such essential functions as maintaining inventory, infection control, and OSHA compliance.

Program Objectives

Upon completion of the program, the student will be eligible to:

- Perform chairside dental assisting techniques allowed under the rules of the Oregon Board of Dentistry.
- Utilize proper sterilization techniques and infection control procedures as required by OSHA.
- Advise patients on dental care as directed by the dentist.
- Perform administrative front office duties.
- Utilize principles of dental radiology to position, expose, process, and mount dental radiographs after certification.
- Respond to medical emergencies, including basic life support.

Course List

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| CPSO1001* | Career Path Success A |
| CPSO1002* | Career Path Success B |
| CPSO1003* | Career Path Success C |
| CPSO1004* | Career Path Success D |
| CPSO1005* | Career Path Success E |
| CPSO1006* | Career Path Success F |
| DNTA1331 | Introduction to Dental Assisting and Dental Terminology |
| DNTA1333 | Dental Specialties |
| DNTA1335 | Materials and Procedures |
| DNTA1337 | Patient Care and Management |
| DNTA1339 | Diagnostics and Orthodontics |
| DNTA1341 | Dental Radiology |
| DNTA1201 | Externship I |
| DNTA1202 | Externship II |

These courses apply to students starting on or after November 18, 2019

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| CPSO1011* | Career Path Success A |
| CPSO1012* | Career Path Success B |
| CPSO1013* | Career Path Success C |
| CPSO1014* | Career Path Success D |
| CPSO1015* | Career Path Success E |
| CPSO1016* | Career Path Success F |
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*These courses are offered online

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