



Health
Sciences

DENTAL ASSISTING

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Dental Assisting Program prepares individuals to assist the dentist in the delivery of dental treatment. Students begin their journey in an 18-station manikin-based simulation lab and practice their skills in an 18-chair state of the art dental clinic. For two semesters, students participate in clinical rotations at a variety of dental offices in order to gain experience performing various dental procedures. Graduates may be eligible to take the Dental Assisting National Board Examination to become Certified Dental Assistants. As a Dental Assistant II, defined by the dental laws of North Carolina, graduates may work in dental offices, community clinics, schools, public health agencies, industry, and professional education.



Possible Employment In Industry

Offices of Dentists
Offices of Physicians
Outpatient Care Centers



Top Employers In Region

Aspen Dental
Carolinas Dentist
Midtown Dental
Dr. Lane & Associates
DentalOne Partners, Inc



Occupational Statistics

Median Salary: USA \$44,820

Median Salary: NC \$46,140

Median Salary: Region \$45,710



CCCC Career Community

Students interested in Health Sciences like to help people feel better. They can work independently, but prefer to work in groups or teams. They are detail-oriented, compassionate, and think critically to solve problems. They work well in stressful situations and do not get queasy around blood or bodily fluids. Graduates find jobs working in medical or wellness environments.

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Degrees

None



State Licensure/Exams/ Industry Certifications

Optional - Certified Dental Assistant (additional cost)



Diplomas

Diploma in Dental Assisting (D45240; Dental Center - Day) Three Semesters (Summer Included)



Additional Admissions Process

Minimum Admissions Criteria required for admissions to be able to submit an application for consideration.



Certificates

See CCCC website for numerous Health and Medical training opportunities
<https://www.cccc.edu/ecd/short-term-training/health-occupations/>



Skills In Demand For Program And Industry

Dental Software
EagleSoft
Working with Children
Bilingual
Inventory Management



Transfer Options

None



Work-Based Learning Information

Students are required to complete in-person clinical hours. Please contact the Department Chair for more information.



Additional Program Costs

Scrubs, Clinic Shoes, Dental Typodont, Safety Goggles, Stethoscope, Blood Pressure Cuff



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