

**DENTAL ASSISTANT, A.A.S.****Dental Assistant, A.A.S.****Overview**

The Dental Assistant program is designed to prepare individuals for a career in a variety of oral healthcare settings. This may be as a clinical chairside assistant to a dentist or dental hygienist or as a non-clinical practice management assistant. The program is accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation and upon completion the student will take national and state examinations leading to certification and licensure in dental assisting.

**Locations**

Canby, Luverne

The course work includes content in general studies, bio-medical and dental sciences, clinical practices, and expanded functions allowed by the State of Minnesota.

Students will spend 10 weeks in extramural clinical experiences in area dental offices.

Course Number	Course Title	Credits
Fall Semester		
DEN 1100	Oral Radiology I	3
DEN 1110	Dental Science	3
DEN 1120	Chairside Assisting I	3
DEN 1130	Preclinical Dental Assisting	4
DEN 1135	Dental Practice Management	2
DEN 1140	Dental Materials	3
Spring Semester		
DEN 1105	Oral Radiology II	3
DEN 1115	Dental Health	2
DEN 1125	Chairside Assisting II	4
DEN 1145	Expanded Functions A	3
DEN 1150	Expanded Functions B	3
DEN 1180	Dental Ethics and Jurisprudence	1
DEN 1185	Nitrous Oxide Inhalation Administration	1
Summer Semester		
DEN 1155	Extramural Clinical Experience I	3
DEN 1160	Extramural Clinical Experience II	3
	<i>General Education Courses (take Any Semester)</i>	
	<i>Electives from Area 3 of MnTransfer curriculum</i>	3
ENGL 1101	Composition I	3
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychology <b>or</b>	4
SOC 1101	Introduction to Sociology	3
CMST 1101	Public Speaking <b>or</b>	3
CMST 1103	Interpersonal Communication	3
GSCL 1105	Job Seeking Skills	1
	<i>General Education Electives</i>	5-6
	<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>60</b>