

DENTAL ASSISTANT, DIPLOMA

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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 |
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| 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 (taken Any Semester)</i> | |
| ENGL 1101 | English Composition | 3 |
| CMST 1101 | Public Speaking or | 3 |
| CMST 1103 | Interpersonal Communications | 3 |
| GSCL 1105 | Job Seeking Skills | 1 |
| | TOTAL CREDITS | 48 |