CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

DENTAL ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE

The Dental Assistant Program prepares students for the high demand field of professional dental assisting. Dental assistants are a significant and valuable member of the dental health care team. Students are trained to perform a wide variety of duties including working chairside as patients are examined and treated, taking and developing dental radiographs, removing sutures, and applying anti-cavity agents to teeth. Dental assisting students are also taught to perform laboratory duties such as taking and pouring impressions and making temporary crowns. Additionally, the Dental Assistant Program offers curriculum on executing office duties like scheduling and confirming patients, filing patient treatment records, billing, and ordering dental supplies. The Dental Assistant Program at Imperial includes patient care practice in fully-equipped, off-campus externship experiences.

ALL REQUIRED COURSES FOR THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

Career Opportunities
Completing students will be able to work in various dental office settings. In addition to traditional dental practices, dental assistants have the opportunity to work in specialty areas, such as: Oral and maxillofacial surgery, Orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, Endodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, and Pediatric dentistry.

Thirty (30) units required for the certificate.

I. Required courses for the certificate

AHP	100	Medical Terminology	3.0
DA	101	Introduction to Dental Assisting	3.0
DA	102	Beginning Radiology	3.0
DA	103	Dental Materials for the Dental Assistant	3.0
DA	104	Occupational Health for the Dental Assistant	1.0
DA	105	Introduction to Chairside Dental Assisting	2.0
DA	106	Dental Specialties	2.0
DA	107	Advanced Dental Assisting	2.0
DA	108	Practice Management for the Dental Assistant	3.0
DA	109	Clinical Dental Experiences	3.0
DA	110	Ethics and Jurisprudence	1.0
DA	111	Dental Assisting Seminar	2.0
DA	112	Dental Health Education	2.0
		Total Units:	**30.0**

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

DENTAL ASSISTANT MAJOR - A.S. DEGREE

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ALL REQUIRED COURSES FOR THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

Career Opportunities
Completing students will be able to work in various dental office settings. In addition to traditional dental practices, dental assistants have the opportunity to work in specialty areas, such as: Oral and maxillofacial surgery, Orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, Endodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, and Pediatric dentistry.

Thirty (30) units required for the major.

I. Required courses for the major

AHP	100	Medical Terminology	3.0
DA	101	Introduction to Dental Assisting	3.0
DA	102	Beginning Radiology	3.0
DA	103	Dental Materials for the Dental Assistant	3.0
DA	104	Occupational Health for the Dental Assistant	1.0
DA	105	Introduction to Chairside Dental Assisting	2.0
DA	106	Dental Specialties	2.0
DA	107	Advanced Dental Assisting	2.0
DA	108	Practice Management for the Dental Assistant	3.0
DA	109	Clinical Dental Experiences	3.0
DA	110	Ethics and Jurisprudence	1.0
DA	111	Dental Assisting Seminar	2.0
DA	112	Dental Health Education	2.0
		Total Units:	**30.0**