



**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

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START DATE(S): <b>August, January</b>	EFFECTIVE: <b>AUGUST 2011</b>
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**DENTAL ASSISTANT: Program Outcomes**

*Technical Diploma*

Course Number	Course Title	Hrs./Week	Credits	Prerequisite(s)/Comments
508-101	<u>First Semester Dental Health Safety</u> , (L) [ <i>August, 32 hours</i> ] <i>Internet and on-campus lab</i>		1	<u>Program student</u>
508-302	<u>Dental Chairside</u> (T, L)	10	5	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent.</u> <u>Co-requisites: 508-303, 508-304, 508-305, 508-306, 508-307</u>
508-303	<u>Dental Materials</u> (T, L)	4	2	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent</u> <u>Co-requisites: 508-302, 508-304, 508-305, 508-306, 508-307</u>
508-304	<u>Dental and General Anatomy</u> (T)	3	2	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent.</u> <u>Corequisites:508-302, 508-303, 508-305, 508-306, 508-307</u>
508-305	<u>Applied Dental Radiography</u> (L)	4	2	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent.</u> <u>Co-requisites: 508-302, 508-303, 508-304, 508-306, 508-307</u>
508-306	<u>Dental Assistant Clinical</u> (C)	10	3	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent.</u> <u>Corequisites:508-302, 508-303, 508-304, 508-305, 508-307</u>
508-307	<u>Dental Assistant Professional</u> (T)	2	1	<u>Program student, 508-101 or concurrent.</u> <u>Co-requisites: 508-302, 508-303, 508-304, 508-305, 508-306</u>
<b>Total Semester Hrs./Week and Total Credits</b>			<b>16 cr.</b>	

**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED = 16**

**A GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER IS REQUIRED IN ALL COURSES**

T = Theory/Lecture

L = Lab

C = Clinical

# Dental Assistant Tips

## Program Expectations

Students must enroll in **ALL 16 CREDITS** of Dental Assistant courses in one semester. Students completing less than all the courses must reapply to the program as a new student.

## Certification Examination

After two years of work as a dental assistant, the graduate of this program is eligible to apply for the certification examination of the Dental Assistant National Board.

## Criminal Background Check

This is a program requirement, but beyond that, there could be the possibility of being declined for program admission based on a criminal history. If a student is declined based on criminal background, they could be in a situation where they may not be able to finish the clinical courses, and hence would not be able to graduate.

If you have any significant problems with your criminal background, you need to contact one of the health program counselors as soon as possible to have the background evaluated.

## Health Requirements, Criminal Background Forms, and CPR

The following must be completed and approved before you enter the core courses:

- The Admissions Office will mail specific physical and dental exam forms to you prior to core course program entry. The completed exam forms must be on file *three weeks prior* to entering the core courses of your program.
- A copy of your physical exam form and criminal background check must be in your clinical file, as they will be checked each term before you will be authorized to go to each clinical setting. The program director will return your criminal background forms to you when you enter the core courses.
- CPR for Healthcare Provider or Professional Rescuer Certification
  - ◆CPR courses are offered frequently through CVTC. Check the current college course listings for a convenient time and location at [www.cvtc.edu](http://www.cvtc.edu).
  - ◆TB Test required prior to entering clinical lab courses

## Required Program Orientation Session

New students must attend an informational session with program staff. See a program counselor for a list of times and dates.