DENTAL ASSISTANT DIPLOMA

Purpose: The Dental Assistant major is designed to provide the student with the technical knowledge, manual skills, clinical experiences, communication skills, and positive attitudes toward work required to make the graduate a valuable member of the dental health care profession. The Dental Assistant Program may be completed in one year as a full-time student, or in two years as a part-time student.

Graduates are eligible to sit for the Minnesota licensure exam, Minnesota jurisprudence exam and the national certification exam for dental assistants.

Award

Dental Assistant Diploma.....47 credits total
Dental Assistant curriculum ..... 47 credits

Program course sequence begins in the Fall.
General Education courses may be taken in any semester. Contact your Advisor.

RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule: https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306.

Semester 1		Semester 2	
DA 1200 Dental Communications	3 cr	DA 1250 Dental Science II	3 cr
DA 1210 Dental Science I	3 cr	DA 1255 Dental Materials	4 cr
DA 1215 Dental Practice Management	2 cr	DA 1260 Chairside Assisting II	4 cr
DA 1220 Chairside Assisting I	6 cr	DA 1265 Expanded functions II	7 cr
DA 1225 Dental Infection Control	2 cr	DA 1270 Expanded Functions II	1 cr
DA 1230 Preventive Dentistry	2 cr	DA 1275 Dental Radiology	3 cr
Total Credits	**18**	**Total Credits**	**22**
Session 3 (Summer)			
DA 1280 Dental Assisting Internship			7 cr
		Total Credits	**7**

RECOMMENDED PART-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule: https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306.

Semester 1		Semester 2	
DA 1200 Dental Communications	3 cr	DA 1250 Dental Science II	3 cr
DA 1210 Dental Science I	3 cr	DA 1255 Dental Materials	4 cr
DA 1215 Dental Practice Management	2 cr		
Total Credits	**8**	**Total Credits**	**7**
Semester 3		**Semester 4**	
DA 1220 Chairside Assisting I	6 cr	DA 1260 Chairside Assisting II	4 cr
DA 1225 Dental Infection Control	2 cr	DA 1265 Expanded functions II	7 cr
DA 1230 Preventive Dentistry	2 cr	DA 1270 Expanded Functions II	1 cr
		DA 1275 Dental Radiology	4 cr
Total Credits	**10**	**Total Credits**	**15**
Session 5 (Summer)			
DA 1280 Dental Assisting Internship			7 cr
		Total Credits	**7**