

## Dental Assistant (DA), Certificate

The purpose of this program is to prepare students for entry-level employment as dental assistants and dental auxiliaries. Graduates of this program may apply to take the Certified Dental Assistant Examination given by the Dental Assisting National Board. Graduates are eligible for employment as dental assistants with expanded functions and radiography skills. The university awards a certificate upon completion of the program.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (A MINIMUM OF 18 CREDITS)

#### Required Courses

Course No.	Course Name	CREDIT HOURS
DEA 101	Introduction to Dental Assistant	1
DEA 104	Dental Materials	1
DEA 106	Dental Anatomy	2
DEA 108	Diet, Nutrition, and Oral Hygiene	1
DEA 110	Dental X-Ray	1
DEA 112	Front Office Procedures	1
DEA 114	Dental Office Emergencies	1
DEA 120	Preclinical Dental Assisting Procedures	2
DEA 122	Expanded Functions for Dental Assistant I	2
DEA 124	Expanded Functions for Dental Assistant II**	2
DEA 126	Clinical Externship**	4
CPR 001	CPR Seminar	0
HIV 004	HIV Seminar	0
PDT 005	PDT Seminar	0

***Dental Assistant students are required to wear medical attire and white shoes at all times.***

***Students must furnish their own uniforms.***

***All students must have liability insurance and dosimeters in order to participate in the clinical rotations.***

Students must complete 120 hours of clinical practice.

All students must provide BLS, OSHA, HIV, and HIPPA seminar completion forms in order to participate in the clinical rotations.

\*\*This course has prerequisites; check course description.

**Classes are offered simultaneously in English and Spanish.** Completing a course or program in a language other than English may reduce employability where English is required