



Dental Assisting



SOUTHERN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dental Assisting Program – 60 Classroom Hours + Clinical Externship; Tuition \$1,399

- The Dental Assisting profession and a dental assisting overview
- A review of general anatomy and physiology, head and neck anatomy, landmarks of the face and oral cavity, and tooth morphology
- Dental care, periodontal disease, preventative dentistry, nutrition, and oral pathology
- Best practices as it relates to infection control including principles and techniques of disinfection and occupational health and safety
- Obtaining patient information and assessment
- Foundation of clinical dentistry including the dental office, delivering dental care, dental hand instruments, dental hand-pieces and accessories, moisture control and anesthesia
- Dental Radiology including foundations of radiography, radiographic equipment and safety, dental film and processing, and digital radiography
- Dental Materials including restorative and esthetic dental materials, dental cements and impression materials
- Assisting in Comprehensive Dental Care: general dentistry, restorative dentistry, dental implants, oral surgery, pediatric dentistry, coronal polishing and sealants
- **National Certification:** This course is designed to prepare students to sit for the DANB Radiology Health and Safety Examination (RHS). The cost of this exam is \$175 and is not included as part of the cost of this program. The DANB exam is administered at Pearson Vue Testing Centers.

Begins Fall 2017:

Mondays and Wednesdays

October 2 – December 4

6:00pm – 9:30pm

60 Classroom Hours / 40 Clinical Hours / Tuition \$1,399

Dental Assisting Program

The 60 hour Dental Assisting Program prepares students for entry level positions in one of the fastest growing health care positions – Dental Assisting. The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student with all areas of pre-clinical dental assisting and provide training in the professional skills required to function as an assistant in the dental practice. This course covers the following key areas and topics – *Administrative Aspects include:* the history of dentistry and dental assisting; introduction to the dental office; the legal aspects of dentistry; policies and guidelines. *Clinical Aspects include:* introduction to oral anatomy; dental operator; dental equipment, introduction to tooth structure; primary and permanent teeth; the oral cavity and related structures; proper patient positioning; dental hand-pieces; sterilization; and other areas. In addition to entry-level administrative jobs, this course is ideal for students interested in pursuing a future formal Dental Hygienist program.

Course Contact Hours: 60 hours + Clinical Externship

Student Tuition: \$1,399 (Textbooks included)

Clinical Externship Hours: 40 hours

**Please contact Southern State Community College @
937-393-3431 x4684 to register and find out more!**