

Dental Assisting

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Available at: Laurel, Scarlet

COURSES

Oral Diagnosis and Treatment Planning

Students gain knowledge of head and neck anatomy with a focus on the oral cavity and teeth. They will study bone structure, cosmetic dentistry, and tooth identification and numbering systems. Students gain knowledge of chemical and physical properties of dental materials, their indications for use, and proper manipulation of the materials. Students perform radiographs, impressions, pouring, trimming, and wax bites methods and techniques. Additionally, students educate the patient on dental procedures and comprehensive dental care.

Dental Technology

Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills associated with the practice of dentistry. Topics include principles of dental procedures and comprehensive dental care, infection control in dentistry, and dental specialties including radiology and laboratory procedures. Students will perform chairside assisting techniques including instrument sterilization, fluoride applications, dietary analysis, and assisting physician. Emphasis is given to terminology, instruments and equipment, and patient communication. Additionally, students maintain accounts and inventory, records and appointments.

Medical and Dental Office Technology

Students will apply fundamental principles of communication, leadership, technology and management as they apply to the medical office setting. Students will demonstrate documentation and record keeping procedures set forth by national accrediting organizations.

Dental Radiography

Students will perform procedures to expose, process, and interpret dental radiographs. Students will apply knowledge of radiation physics, infection prevention and quality control standards that are appropriate to the clinical setting. Students will apply effective communication skills for interacting with diverse patient populations and proper procedure documentation according to business and industry standards.

Health Science Capstone

The capstone course provides opportunities for students to apply knowledge, attitudes and skills that were learned in Health Sciences Courses in a more comprehensive and authentic way. Capstones often include project/problem-based learning opportunities that occur both in and away from school. Under supervision of the school and through community partnerships, students may combine classroom learning with work experience. This course can be delivered through a variety of delivery methods including cooperative education or apprenticeship.

CREDENTIALS YOU CAN EARN

- Ohio State Dental Board –Dental Assistant Radiographer Licensure
- Commission on Ohio Dental Assistants (CODA) Certification
- Basic Life Support CPR/First Aid, ECSI First Aid

INSTRUCTORS

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