Dental Assisting AS

**Entry Requirements**
- Pre req for program admittance

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- DENTL 120 Orientation to the Dental Assisting Program

**SUMMER**
- DENTL 175 Infection Control and Theories of Dental Assisting

**FALL**
- ENGL 122/122A Freshman English: Composition and Reading
- DENTL 174 Dental Operative Procedures I
- DENTL 171 Oral Facial Anatomy and Body Systems
- DENTL 173 Dental Operative Procedures I
- DENTL 181 Dental Emergencies, Pharmacology and Oral Pathology
- DENTL 182 Dental Radiography Laboratory
- DENTL 184 Clinical Experience

**SPRING**
- DENTL 172 Dental Radiography
- DENTL 180 Dental Office Management
- DENTL 183 Dental Operative Procedures II
- DENTL 290 Transitioning from Student to Dental Professional

**COMPLETE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

**PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES**
1. Act as a member of the dental health team and apply professional, ethical and legal principles while functioning in the role of the Registered Dental Assistant (RDA).
2. Assume responsibility for prevention of disease transmission utilizing universal precautions in the work environment to protect those entrusted to their care.
3. Show competence in skills as described in the current California Dental Practice Act. Said professional should perform with a balance of professionalism and sensitivity characteristic of genuine compassionate care.
4. Exhibit knowledge necessary for successful completion of the California Registered Dental Assistant’s Examination and the National Certified Dental Assistants Examination.
5. Apply critical thinking and self-assessment skills to enhance learning, research, patient care, professional growth, and continued competency.
6. Integrate and apply health literacy and culturally competent communication skills to oral health care services, academic endeavors, community projects, and professional activities.

**Careers in**
- Dental assisting
- Xray technician
- Dental insurance agent
- Lab technician
- Front office administration

You need to see a Counselor for specific recommendations about courses that will best meet your educational goals. Not all courses on the map are offered every term. Consult the Catalog and the Schedule of Classes for more details.

For information about transferring, see: https://www.dvc.edu/enrollment/transfer/index.html
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