



DENTAL ASSISTING

CONCENTRATION

Dental Assistants play an important role in almost any dental office. They coordinate care and information between the dentist, patient, and front office staff to ensure that patients receive proper care and the practice runs smoothly.

Dental assistants must have a strong foundation in the fundamental areas of dental assisting including: radiographic, clinical and administrative procedures.

They are trusted with patient information and medical records, taking and developing dental x-rays, taking impressions of patients' teeth and teaching patients appropriate oral hygiene strategies.

Through the year-round schedule at ECPI University's College of Health Science, Medical Careers Institute, you could earn an Associate of Applied Science degree with a concentration in Dental Assisting in as little as 1.5 years.

Outcomes

ECPI University's program could provide you with a strong foundation in the fundamental areas of dental assisting, including:

- ▶ Acquire knowledge and skills necessary to provide a safe environment for patients and dental staff
- ▶ Illustrate competency in the arts and sciences pertinent to dental assisting
- ▶ Attain skills in chairside, clinical, practice management, radiographic, and laboratory procedures
- ▶ Demonstrate knowledge of the American Dental Assisting Association's Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional conduct and its importance to the profession of dental assisting
- ▶ Demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully complete the Dental Assisting National Examination
- ▶ Participate in dental community events and learning opportunities

Included in instruction are clinical rotations that enable you to experience real-world environments firsthand.

Possible Career Settings

- ▶ Dental Office
- ▶ Dental Laboratory Technician
- ▶ Insurance Company
- ▶ Dental Sales Representative
- ▶ Hospital Dental Department
- ▶ Education