

## Dental Assisting Technology - Technical Certificate

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The one year certificate in Dental Assisting Technology is designed to train dental assistants with the knowledge to perform the technical duties in all areas of the modern dental office. The Dental Assisting Technology program is based on a science-oriented program of study and skill development offered at the post-secondary level that requires critical thinking, psychomotor skills, and ethical reasoning. The program consists of formal training needed to assist the dentist in the dental operator, the laboratory, and the dental business office. Upon successful program completion, students are eligible to sit for the Dental Assisting National Board certification exam and to apply for registration with the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners. The program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Students must meet the minimum required admissions scores noted. All recommended Academic Strengthening (College Prep) courses must be completed prior to admission into the program. Students wishing to enter this program should discuss their career objectives with an advisor to ensure this is the appropriate track for them.

Program applicants must be 18 years old and have a high school diploma or have earned a GED. Students are admitted in the Dental Assisting Program based on selective admission criteria. Refer to Dental Assisting Information Guidelines located on the ANC Allied Health Website.

This program of study includes special program fees beyond current tuition and college fees.

### Requirements

### Credit Hours

#### Fall Semester – 17 credit hours

DA 19003 Chairside Assisting I	3
DA 19011 Dental Science	1
DA 19022 Dental Biomedical Science	2
DA 19033 Dental Materials I	3
DA 19042 Dental Clinical Science I	2
DA 19052 Dental Radiology I	2
DA 19061 Preventive Dentistry	1
EN 12003 English Composition I	3

TC Dental Assisting Minimum Scores Required			
	Math	English	Reading
ACT	15	17	17
Accuplacer	47A 37E	77	70

#### Spring Semester – 15 credit hours

DA 19073 Chairside Assisting II	3
DA 19082 Dental Materials II	2
DA 19093 Dental Clinical Science II	3
DA 19102 Dental Radiology II	2
DA 19112 Dental Clinical Experience I	2
DA 19123 Dental Clinical Experience II	3

#### Summer Semester – 6 credit hours

DA 19136 Dental Clinical Experience III	6
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#### Total Program Credit Hours

**38**

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For more information about ANC graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit the ANC website at:  
<http://www.anc.edu/gainfulemployment/index.htm>