

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
HEALTH SCIENCES DIVISION
Dental Assisting Program
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I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: DENT 1318
Course Title: Clinical Experiences 1
Prerequisite(s): DENT1118

Catalog Description: This course covers ethics and the law, credentialing, and professional organizations, a thorough study of cultural diversity and constructing an infection control manual, while applying essential dental assisting skills and principles previously learned in the classroom and in the dental clinical environment.

Credit Hours: 3
Class Hours: 15
Lab Hours: 90
Total Contact Hours: 105

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

1. Relate classroom theory and simulation to dental office/clinic settings.
2. Review competent clinical skills during actual practical experiences at UNMC College of Dentistry, private dental offices, and community dental clinics.
3. Practice legal and ethical duties of a dental assistant while utilizing standard precautions.
4. Understand dentistry and the law.
5. Understand the national and state credentialing process.
6. Discuss professional organizations in dental assisting.
7. Develop and present a Cultural Diversity presentation on an assigned topic.
8. Document all clinical experiences.

Note: Unit objectives are located in the learning management system within each unit of study.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: *The student will be able to:*

1. Apply the theory and simulation learned in the preclinical lab to dental office/clinic settings.
2. Demonstrate competent clinical skills during actual practical experiences at UNMC College of Dentistry, private dental offices, and community dental clinics.
3. Recognize and respond appropriately to common medical and dental emergencies.
4. Review and discuss clinical evaluations with an instructor and utilize them to better prepare self-improvement goals.
5. Understand ethical and legal responsibilities in the dental practice.
6. Understand the state and national credentialing process for a dental assistant in Nebraska.
7. Recognize and understand professional organizations for the dental assistant.
8. Presentation on cultural diversity with a focus relating to the dental field.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES

GELO 4: Global Awareness and Citizenship

Outcome: 3. Function effectively in multicultural settings.

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE (*course outline may provide more detailed information*)

- A. Site Rotation Requirements - Private Offices & Public Clinics outside of the College of Dentistry**
 - 1. Affiliation Agreement (office contract)
 - 2. Evaluations (Assistant and/or Doctor)
 - 3. Weekly time sheets
- B. Clinical Education 1: Seminar**
 - 1. Clinical conferences
 - a. Clinical goals (electronic)
 - b. Clinical Log documentation (electronic)
 - c. Clinical check-offs (daily with supervising instructor)
 - 2. Dental Ethics
 - 3. Dental Laws that Govern the Dental Assisting Profession
 - 4. Credentialing for Nebraska Dental Assistants
 - 5. Professional Organizations
 - 6. Cultural Diversity Paper and Presentation

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED

A. Required Text(s):

Bird and Torres. Modern Dental Assisting (latest ed). Saunders. (textbook)
 Bartdomucci, B. Dental Instrument Pocket Guide (latest ed). Saunders.
 Stuhr. Modern Dental Terminology Online (latest ed). Saunders (online-text).

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

A. Methods of presentation typically include a combination of the following:

- 1. Lecture
- 2. Demonstration
- 3. Handout Materials
- 4. Class Participation/Presentations
- 5. Case Studies and Group Work
- 6. PowerPoint slides and videos
- 7. Activity worksheets
- 8. Engaged learning activities

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

A. Methods of evaluation typically include a combination of assignments, quizzes, exams, projects, skill checkoffs, etc. For grading expectations, please see the course information document.

SCC STANDARD GRADING SCALE POLICY:

A+	95-100	C+	75-79
A	90-94	C	70-74
B+	85-89	D+	65-69
B	80-84	D	60-64
		F	Below 60

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS

A. ATTENDANCE

Attendance is crucial to the success of this course. Any class missed could mean valuable information, which is difficult to obtain. Please notify the instructor of any pending absences or if you will be late prior scheduled time. See the program handbook for all program policies.

Please see the course information document for course policies related to grading, expectations, assignments, assessments, and participation.