



EXPANDED DUTY DENTAL ASSISTING

Expanded Duty Dental Assisting Certification

Enhance your knowledge in chair side assisting and expand your employment opportunities

This course provides advanced training and skills to individuals who are currently trained as Dental Assistant. This didactic and laboratory experience will include the following:

- Understand terminology, morphology, and occlusion
- Identify various cavity classifications
- Preparation and placement of dental dam
- Assembly and placement of matrices and wedges
- Packing, carving, finishing, and polishing amalgams and composite restorations
- Proper elastomeric impression techniques
- Creation of provisional crowns and bridges

Prerequisites and participation requirements:

- All students must be currently employed as a chair side dental assistant and have a minimum of one year full time chair side employment completed.
- All students must wear appropriate PPE during ALL laboratory exercises. Students must provide their own protective eye wear and lab coats. FAILURE TO WEAR APPROPRIATE PPE WILL RESULT IN DISMISSAL FROM CLASS AND STUDENT WILL NOT RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE FOR THE CLASS.
- Student's nails must NOT be artificial, long, or polished for participation in this course.
- Students MUST attend ALL classes as time is scheduled. ANY ABSENCES, LATE ARRIVALS, OR EARLY DEPARTURES WILL RESULT IN NOT RECEIVING A CERTIFICATE FOR THIS CLASS

Suggested educational levels:

- English literacy (reading, writing, speaking, and listening)

Suggested physical abilities:

- Capable of sustained activity for 5 hours at a time

Class Hours:

- 4:00pm - 8:00pm
- Program is 8 weeks in length, Tuesdays & Thursdays.
- We offer two program start dates each year: one in the Fall and one in the Spring.
- For upcoming start dates, please contact the Program Director at HLHeath@aurorak12.org

Estimated Program Costs *(to be paid at Picken's payment office)*

Tuition and Credit Hour Fees:

\$316.00

Required On Campus Costs:

Program Charges: \$80.00

Student ID: \$10.00

Proxy Disc: \$15.00

Clinical Material Charge: \$300.00

Estimated Total:

Expanded Duty Dental Assisting Certificate: \$721.00

Additional Relevant Costs *(estimated)*

Optional Costs:

Safety Glasses: \$5.00

Certificate Courses

DEA 275 Special Topics: Expanded Duty

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Provides didactic and laboratory experience in packing, carving, finishing and polishing of Class I, II and V amalgams and Class III, IV and V tooth colored restorations and the fabrication of provisional restorations. Operative procedures include placement of matrices and wedges. Laboratory exercises involve the use of typodonts and prepared teeth that are utilized in restorative procedures. Use of principles of four-handed dentistry and time utilization are an integral part of fulfilling requirements leading toward proficiency in restorative procedures.

Additional costs may apply. All books, kits & supply costs are estimated. Cost, information, and classes are subject to change. Statistics present are based on the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. This certificate is NOT eligible for Financial Aid. If you have further questions, please call (303)344-4910.

EXPANDED DUTY DENTAL ASSISTING CERTIFICATE

Certificate Total: Clock Hours: 30 Credit Hours: 2

Certificate Length: 4 Weeks

Credits:
2

Length:
8 weeks

Cost:
\$721



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