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THE SUMMIT DIFFERENCE

Dental Assistant



DISCOVER... Powerful Career Preparation

When it comes to achieving goals in life, you have to do it on your terms. Based on your needs. And driven by your talents, abilities, and professional interests. And to make it happen in the most enduring way possible, you need an education that is just as personal.

By pursuing a career as a dental assistant, you're positioning yourself for a gratifying, secure, and upwardly mobile future. You'll be relied upon in the dental health setting for a broad range of skills and will be an essential player on a health care team that improves lives and enables people to live more comfortably. And the first step towards that bright future starts right here at Summit College.

DISCOVER... An Excellent Foundation

When you enter Summit's Dental Assistant program, you'll enjoy a curriculum designed to deliver the most relevant information necessary for professional success. You'll complement a strong foundation in theoretical knowledge with an abundance of hands-on learning in modern facilities, classrooms, and laboratories. In this program, among other areas, you'll learn...

- Oral health and nutrition
- Oral cavity anatomy
- Dental terminology
- Patient anxiety and relief
- Dental radiology
- Orthodontics
- Dental instrument use
- Prosthodontics
- Coronal polishing
- Dental office management

DISCOVER... A Career Helping People

The Dental Assistant program at Summit will develop in you a wealth of professional skills and abilities that dental offices everywhere are looking for. Whether it's prepping a patient for care, charting oral conditions, chair side assisting, using laboratory materials, hazard management, or any number of other important tasks, you'll be a key member of the team. Some of the things you'll do as a dental assistant include...

- Sterilizing and disinfecting instruments
- Scheduling appointments and updating records
- Preparing patients for dental care and assisting dentists during treatment
- Processing dental x-rays and making casts of teeth for impressions
- Educating patients on oral healthcare
- Marketing and patient communications

“Summit has changed my life in a very positive way. I feel good about what I'm doing. I feel proud, and I tell people, 'If you're not happy about where you're at right now, it just takes one call and going to school to change your life.'”

~Patricia, Summit College Dental Assistant Student



DISCOVER... An Exciting Road Ahead

Summit's Dental Assistant program helps prepare you to enter the professional world as a confident, skilled individual who has what it takes to succeed in a field that is growing rapidly. In fact, the U.S. Department of Labor projects the employment of dental assistants to grow much faster than average (14% or higher) through the year 2024. And according to O*Net, the starting salary in 2015 for dental assistants was \$24,820 in California.

As a graduate of this program, you'll be prepared to work in...

- Dental facilities
- Endodontic offices
- Orthodontic offices
- Hospital dental clinics
- Public health
- Dental supply manufacturers
- Accounts payable and receivable

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DISCOVER... The Summit Difference

When you join the Summit community as a student in the dental assisting program, you'll enjoy a learning environment that offers an abundance of personalized support to help you achieve your goals. That's the Summit difference.

- Personal attention from outstanding, accomplished faculty
- A wealth of academic support, free tutoring services, and a Learning Academy open six days a week offering a modern computer lab
- A rich abundance of career service support, including resume assistance, mock interviews and workshops, and externships
- Excellent, modern facilities and resources
- Schedule options that include day, evening, and weekend courses



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Summit Today!

CIMC, Rehab, WIA, EDD approved.
Colton and Santa Ana campuses are approved for VA Education Benefits.
Summit College is accredited by ACCET.
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Required Courses:

| Course Title/Number | | Lecture Hours | | Laboratory Hours | | Externship Hours | | Hours Home Work | Total Hours | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|
| | | Clock/10 | Credit | Clock/20 | Credit | Clock/30 | Credit | | Clock | Credit |
| D0710 | Oral Health & Nutrition | 30 | 3 | 30 | 1.5 | | 0 | 14.5 | 60 | 4.5 |
| D0715 | Preparation of Patient Care/Universal Precautions/Hazard Management | 40 | 4 | 20 | 1 | | 0 | 24 | 60 | 5 |
| D0720 | Introduction to Chairside Assisting | 30 | 3 | 30 | 1.5 | | 0 | 15.5 | 60 | 4.5 |
| D0725 | Dental Radiology I | 30 | 3 | 30 | 1.5 | | 0 | 14 | 60 | 4.5 |
| D0730 | Dental Radiology II/ Radiation Safety | 20 | 2 | 40 | 2 | | 0 | 17.5 | 60 | 4 |
| D0735 | Dental Specialties | 30 | 3 | 30 | 1.5 | | 0 | 14 | 60 | 4.5 |
| D0740 | Chairside Restorative Materials | 20 | 2 | 40 | 2 | | 0 | 11 | 60 | 4 |
| D0745 | Laboratory Materials & Techniques | 20 | 2 | 40 | 2 | | 0 | 12.5 | 60 | 4 |
| D0750 | Advanced Chairside Functions | 20 | 2 | 40 | 2 | | 0 | 8 | 60 | 4 |
| D0755 | Dental Office Management | 40 | 4 | 20 | 1 | | 0 | 17 | 60 | 5 |
| CD0110 | Career Development | 20 | 2 | 20 | 1 | | 0 | 3 | 40 | 3 |
| D0700 | Externship | | 0 | | | 160 | 5 | | 160 | 5 |
| TOTAL | | 300 | 30 | 340 | 17 | 160 | 5 | 151 | 800 | 52 |

*Program availability and shift may vary by location.

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