Dental Assistant

Dental Assistants work directly with their patients to provide care and comfort during necessary medical evaluation and treatment. Dental Assistants provide much needed help to dentists and hygienists and help keep the office running smoothly. Are you ready to take the next step into a new career?

- Government issued photo-ID
- Criminal Background Check
- Copy of your High School Diploma or GED

How long does it take to complete?
The program is full time during the day for 30 weeks. This includes a 200-hour internship.

What does this program cost?
The cost for the program is $6,125.00

Are there additional costs?
Yes. You will be responsible for the cost of books and supplies. Estimated fees $730.00

Is financial aid available?
Yes. You can apply for FASFA. Help with completing the FASFA application is available in Berks Hall Room B106. No appointment necessary.

Are there scholarships?
RACC does not offer scholarships for the Dental Assistant Program at this time.

What classes will I take?
The Dental Assistant program provides training in all aspects of general dentistry procedures including:
- Patient care and education
- Instruments for all procedures
- Dental materials
- Infection Control
- Sterilization
- Laboratory Techniques
- Visits to specialty offices such as orthodontists, periodontists, endodontists, and dental labs.

When is the program offered?
The program is offered once a year starting in January.

What are the requirements?
High School Diploma or GED and age 18 or older.

All students must pass the Adult Placement Indicator (A.P.I.) test or provide a college transcript showing one college level English class with a grade of C or better.

How do I take the A.P.I. test?
We administer the test in Kratz Hall, on the 3rd floor at the following times: Tuesday mornings, Wednesday early afternoons, and Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings. The test is scheduled for 25 minutes. Contact us at 610-375-8818 to schedule your test.

How do I register?
Once you complete the A.P.I. test, you’ll need to gather these documents:
- Government issued photo-ID
- Criminal Background Check
- Copy of your High School Diploma or GED

Next, you’ll be connected with a career advisor to get the registration process started.

X-Ray Certification
Students will be educated in X-ray technology.

**Pregnant women cannot be accepted into this program due to the radiation safety hazard.**