



Moreno Valley College
Certificate of Completion in Dental Assistant Program
Associate Degree in Dental Assistant Program

Dental Assistant Program: 951/571-6433

Counseling: 951/571-6104

Dental Assistant Program Information Sessions: 951/571-6433

Dental Assistant Program Information Sheet

General Information

The Certificate of Completion in Dental Assistant Program is a ten month full-time educational tract. It includes the fall and spring semesters and winter intersession over a one-year period. Upon completion of the dental assistant program, the students will earn a Certificate of Completion.

Students are encouraged to take the additional requirements needed to fulfill the Associates in Science Degree (see the Moreno Valley College Catalog). The graduate will earn an Associate in Science Degree upon completion.

Each fall semester, up to 24 candidates meeting all qualification requirements will be selected for admission into the Dental Assistant Program. See Selection Process for Admission into the Dental Assistant Program for more information.

Application to the Program

Students applying to the Dental Assistant Program must have all eligibility requirements completed at the time of application.

1. Eligibility is open to students meeting the qualification requirements.
2. Students must apply to MVC prior to applying to the Dental Assistant Program.
3. Applications will only be accepted by the Dental Assistant Program. Applications must be mailed to the Moreno Valley Campus or hand delivered to the Dental Assistant Program office.
4. Meeting minimum requirements for the program does not guarantee admission into the program.
5. Failure to meet the deadline for showing proof of the required, valid BLS Healthcare Provider CPR Certification card, and verification of the English pre-requisite will result in forfeiting admission into the program.

Application Filing Period

The application period for the Dental Assistant Program is **September 4, 2018 – June 27, 2019.**

Requirements for Eligibility

1. MVC application on file and eligibility to attend MVC.
2. Valid CPR certification (BLS Healthcare Provider, hands on course) from the American Heart Association or American Red Cross.
3. Copy of High school Diploma or official transcripts.
4. Students must meet the English requirement of "Qualification for English 1A". This requirement can be met by successfully completing English 50 or English 80 or equivalent or through assessment testing. Please see the Assessment Center for more information on the assessment testing. Applicants may have the prerequisite English course in progress at the time of the application. The prerequisite course must be successfully completed at the end of the Spring Semester of the year the application is submitted.

Additional Requirements Needed Upon Selection into the Program

1. Students accepted into the Dental Assistant Program will be accepted pending proof of:
 - a. Having received immunizations including Hepatitis B vaccination, tetanus, MMR, pertussis, and TB testing.
 - b. Have the Health History Clearance Form completed by their doctor or by the Moreno Valley College Health Services.
2. Students must attend a mandatory orientation session. Dates will be distributed once selected into the program.

Full-Time Students

Required Courses: 32.5 Units	
Fall Semester Courses:	Units:
DEA-10+ Introduction to Dental Assisting & Chairside Assisting	4.5
DEA-20 Infection Control for Dental Assistants	2
DEA-21 Introduction to Radiology for Dental Assistants	2.5
DEA-22 Introduction to Supervised Externships	1.5
DEA-23 Introduction to Dental Sciences	3
DEA-24 Dental Materials for Dental Assistants	2
Winter Intersession Courses:	
DEA-30 Intermediate Chairside Dental Assisting	2
DEA-31 Radiology for Dental Assistants	1
DEA-32 Intermediate Supervised Externships	1
Spring Semester Courses:	
DEA-40A Advanced Chairside Dental Assisting in Surgery	3.5
DEA-40B Advanced Chairside Dental Assisting in Orthodontics	2
DEA-40C Advanced Chairside Dental Assisting in Restorative Dentistry	6
DEA-41 Dental Office Procedures	1.5

*English 80, English 50, or a higher English course must be successfully taken prior to acceptance into the Dental Assistant Program.

Selection Process for Admission into the Dental Assistant Program

1. Preference will be given to those students meeting the RCCD and MVC residency requirements (i.e. applicants residing within the District boundaries).
2. If a student is not offered a space in the program, a new application will be necessary for the following year. Up to 24 candidates will be randomly selected to begin the program in the fall semester.
3. The following are the priority given to those candidates meeting the minimum requirements:

First Priority Selection:

Students meeting RCCD residency requirement and other eligibility requirements. If there are more than 24 applicants that meet these requirements, then a random drawing of 24 applicants will occur to select the 24 students for admission in to the Dental Assistant Program. An additional 24 applicants will be randomly selected to be on the waiting list for admission for that year only. They will be assigned a waiting list number according to the order they are selected.

Second Priority Selection:

Students who meet eligibility requirements but not the RCCD residency requirement. This category will be used only if there are not enough applicants to fulfill the needs of the program in First Priority Category. The number of students selected from the second priority selection pool of applicants will depend on the number of applicants needed to fulfill the program and waiting-list slots.

Health and CPR Requirements

Students selected for the program will be admitted pending submission of a valid CPR Certification card (BLS Healthcare Provider Course), verification of receiving the Hepatitis B vaccination, tetanus, MMR, TB testing and Pertussis Booster vaccine. The CPR card must be kept current throughout the program.

Dental Assistant Program Expenses/General Information:

(All expenses are approximate, not necessarily all-inclusive and are subject to change.)

1. Uniforms/scrubs/gowns: \$95 for the program.
2. Books and supplies: \$800 for the program.
3. Health Services fee: \$14 per year.
4. Student Fees of \$10 per year.
5. Enrollment fee of \$46 per unit.
6. Students must have current CPR card (BLS Healthcare Provider Course). If the CPR card expires prior to completing the program, re-certification is required. This must be a “hands-on course”, online courses do not qualify.
7. Students must purchase predetermined supplies that will be disclosed at the new student orientation.
8. Malpractice insurance: \$45 for one year.

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