

## Dental Assisting Program Goals and Program Outcomes

The program's goals are to educate a student who:

- Demonstrate clinical competencies of an entry level dental assistant.
- Function safely and efficiently as a member of the dental team under the supervision of the dentist.
- Communicate effectively with patients and dental team members.
- Provide dental services with respect and compassion regardless of cultural diversity.
- Exhibit legal and ethical behavior which adheres to professional conduct standards for dentistry.

The program outcomes are as follows:

- 80% of students admitted to the dental assisting program will graduate
- 80% of graduates will report satisfaction with the quality and efficacy of instruction, curriculum, assessment, teaching pedagogies, and instructional resources.
- 75% of graduates will be pursuing a higher degree or employed as a dental assistant within ninety days of completion.
- 80% of employers will report satisfaction with readiness skills and content preparation of graduates.