



Dental Assisting (5649) | Career Certificate

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Dental Assisting Career Certificate (C.C.) provides students with dental assisting coursework that covers the theoretical, practical and clinical skills necessary to receive an entry-level position in a dental office. Dental assisting training includes dental radiographic techniques, dental materials, sterilization and infection control, chair-side assisting, dental specialties and expanded functions.

Upon completion, graduates will be prepared to test for the Dental Assisting National Board Certification Exam and will be awarded the Dental Radiography license.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- High school diploma or high school equivalent
- Submit completed program application
- Submit TABE scores (or documentation of exemption)
- Drug screen and background check
- Check the catalog to learn about all course and program prerequisites

AT-A-GLANCE

- **1,230 Clock/Contact Hours**
- **Financial Aid Eligible**
- **Limited Access** – Certain admission requirements must be met to be considered for this competitive program.
- **Face-to-Face Courses**
- **Certifications and licenses:** Expanded Functions and Orthodontic Expanded Functions certifications, Dental Radiography license

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Apply online at fscj.edu/admissions.

FSCJ's Dental Assisting C.C. program is accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation. The program has been approved by the Florida Board of Dentistry for certification in Expanded Functions and Dental Radiography.

FSCJ Florida State College
at Jacksonville

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When can I start?

New student enrollment for this program begins every year during the Fall Term. Application Deadline: May 15

Where are the educational courses held?

The professional core courses for this program are offered at FSCJ North Campus.

What is the cost of the program?

Many students attending FSCJ qualify for financial aid, which can greatly reduce out-of-pocket expenses. This program is Federal financial aid eligible. *The approximate cost of tuition and fees is \$3,592**

Besides tuition and fees, students have to pay for things like living expenses, transportation, supplies and books. Book costs vary widely by program and course selection as well as choice of electives; students are encouraged to budget about \$60 per credit hour.

**Tuition reflects Florida resident rates and are subject to change. Certain classes that require labs may have additional fees for lab supplies. Additional fees are published in the class schedule.*

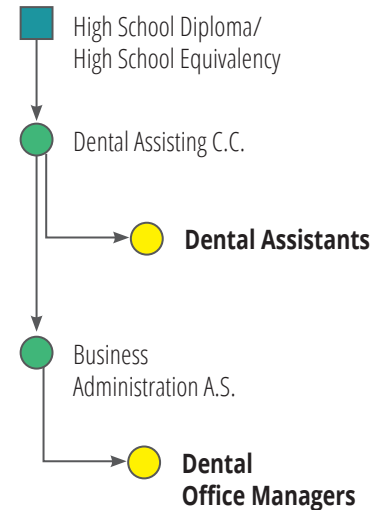
What other programs are related to the field?

Students who have an interest in the Dental Assisting (C.C.) may also be interested in FSCJ's Dental Hygiene (A.S.)

Where can I get more information about potential careers?

Research local job opportunities, wage data, career paths and market trends at fscj.emsicareercoach.com.

CAREER PATHWAY



JOB PROFILE

Duval and
Nassau Counties

Dental Assistants

Local employment	924
Number of job openings	125/year
10-year job growth	17%

Expected salaries by area and occupation may be found at bls.gov

Potential employers:

- Aspen Dental
- Carlson Dental Group
- Coast Dental Services
- First Coast Dentistry
- Heartland Dental, LLC