

**Texarkana College**  
**Community & Business Education Center - Allied Health Program**  
**Dental Assisting Course w/a Externship**

**WINTER 2023**

The purpose of the Dental Assisting course is to familiarize students with all areas of administrative and clinical dental assisting, focusing on the responsibilities required to function as an assistant in a dental practice. The course includes hands-on skills training and CPR certification. This course covers the following key areas and topics:

- introduction to the dental office and history of dentistry and dental assisting
- sciences in dentistry
- oral health and the prevention of dental disease
- infection prevention in dentistry
- occupational health & safety
- patient information and assessment
- foundation of clinical dentistry
- radiographic imaging
- dental materials
- assisting in comprehensive dental care
- dental administration and communication skills

**All student registrations submitted online or in person will be “incomplete”** until a copy of the student’s high school diploma or GED equivalent from the United States of America and their social security number is submitted to the Allied Health Coordinator. If the student has an “out of country” diploma they must provide a translation report verifying it is equivalent to one issued in the USA.

**Dates & Times:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday; January 24, 2023 - May 18, 2023 | 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 16 wks. | 144 hrs. classroom + 80 hrs. externship.)

**Registration:** \$2,000 (includes books)

**Location:** Health Sciences Building, Room 140

**Refund Policy:** Students will receive a 100% refund upon request, 24 hours prior to the first class meeting.

**Criminal Background Requirement:** For students who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please check with the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners by calling 512-463-6400 to discuss your topic of study to determine if you are qualified to obtain a certificate in that field. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

**Virtual Access:** Students agree and acknowledge that they will go online one evening per week to maintain a safe environment and prevent the spread of disease by reducing contact with others. This may even be a permanent platform, when and if the situation arises. Students also agree to have adequate access to an internet provider with an appropriate device to continue course work online.

I acknowledge and understand the course requirements and will comply with as stated above.

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Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

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**Checklist for Dental Assistant Externship Requirements**

**Attention Registrants:**

The following items must be **submitted by the end of the course** so that students may participate in the externship portion of the program.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Responsible for purchasing liability insurance through Texarkana College Business Office and will not be complete until student submits receipt to AH Coordinator - \$20
2. \_\_\_\_\_ High school diploma or GED equivalent. Must be 18 years of age to register.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Immunizations: Applicants must have proof of completing the following vaccinations prior to starting the program and documented on attached Immunization Record form.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ Hepatitis B vaccination series of three shots or titer indicating immunity.
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ Measles, Mumps, & Rubella (MMR) or titers indicating immunity.
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ Varicella vaccination, chicken pox history or titer indicating immunity.
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_ Tetanus-diphtheria - pertussis within the last 10 years.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Negative TB skin test or negative chest x-ray within six months prior to starting the program.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Resume
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Healthcare Provider CPR Certification – scheduled during course and cost included in registration fee
7. Students who elect to participate in an externship are required to purchase blue scrubs at the Texarkana College bookstore. They are approximately \$45 for both bottom and top depending on size.
  - a. Students must purchase a pair of Texarkana College blue scrubs and be purchased in the bookstore for approximately \$45 a pair.
  - b. Students participating in externship will be required to go by Enrollment Services in the Administration Building to have an ID badge made identifying them as a Texarkana College Pharmacy Tech student.

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