



South Central College

## DA 1845 Clinical Affiliations

### Course Outcome Summary

#### Course Information

<b>Description</b>	This course is designed to give the dental assistant student practical experience in dental practices. The extra-mural experiences will be completed in local dental offices including specialty areas as available. Clinical duties and expanded functions covering all aspects of the dental practice will be utilized. (Prerequisites: Successful completion of all previous dental assisting courses. Valid Healthcare Provider CPR)
<b>Total Credits</b>	8
<b>Total Hours</b>	320

#### Types of Instruction

##### Instruction Type

Clinical, On the job. 1 credit lecture

##### Credits/Hours

7 credits on the job, 1 credit lecture.

#### Pre/Corequisites

Successful completion of all previous dental assisting courses.

Valid Healthcare Provider CPR.

#### Institutional Core Competencies

**Civic Engagement and Social Responsibility** - Students will be able to demonstrate the ability to engage in the social responsibilities expected of a community member.

**Communication** - Students will be able to demonstrate appropriate and effective interactions with others to achieve their personal, academic, and professional objectives.

**Critical and Creative Thinking** - Students will be able to demonstrate purposeful thinking with the goal of using a creative process for developing and building upon ideas and/or the goal of using a critical process for the analyzing and evaluating of ideas.

**Cultural Competence** - Students will be able to demonstrate an attitude of personal curiosity, a rising knowledge of cultures, and an evolving range of skills for living and working among others with other worldviews and ways of life.

#### Course Competencies

**1. Develop ethical guidelines**

**Learning Objectives**

Utilize Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) protocols  
Practice ethical office protocol

**2. Implement professional guidelines**

**Learning Objectives**

Employ ethical standards of dentistry  
Demonstrate professional skills

**3. Perform communication methods**

**Learning Objectives**

Utilize professional language in clinical setting  
Apply team communication techniques

**4. Utilize critical thinking skills**

**Learning Objectives**

Deliver patient education and instructions  
Apply problem solving skills with patient management

**5. Demonstrate clinic preparation methods**

**Learning Objectives**

Select appropriate materials for specified treatments  
Prepare dental handpieces

**6. Prepare operatory for patient treatment**

**Learning Objectives**

Prepare instrument set-ups for procedures  
Prepare materials for procedures as directed

**7. Apply skills in four-handed and six-handed dentistry**

**Learning Objectives**

Practice isolation techniques  
Complete diagnostic techniques as prescribed

**8. Apply dental assisting knowledge with dental procedures**

**Learning Objectives**

Assist with restorative procedures  
Utilize team treatment methods

**9. Implement dental office procedures**

**Learning Objectives**

Demonstrate data collection with patient records  
Categorize patient records after treatment

**10. Complete delegated duties according to Minnesota Board of Dentistry**

**Learning Objectives**

Distinguish delegated duties for Minnesota  
Perform delegated duties within clinical settings

**11. Utilize dental materials clinically**

**Learning Objectives**

Prepare impression materials as directed  
Prepare appropriate lab materials as directed

**12. Apply knowledge of chairside procedures**

**Learning Objectives**

Demonstrate knowledge of restorative Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)  
Utilize instrument transfer skills at chairside

**13. Demonstrate patient safety standards**

**Learning Objectives**

Utilize correct patient positioning for individual treatment  
Employ patient safety devices during treatment

**14. Demonstrate operator safety standards**

**Learning Objectives**

Comply with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards  
Employ Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) standards during clinic hours

**15. Complete radiographs as directed**

**Learning Objectives**

Complete periapical radiographs as directed  
Evaluate patient radiographs  
Identify radiograph techniques

**16. Apply Bloodborne Pathogens Standard**

**Learning Objectives**

Incorporate Bloodborne Pathogens Standard  
Implement hazardous waste protocol  
Utilize Bloodborne Pathogen exposure prevention methods

**17. Utilize business office skills as directed**

**Learning Objectives**

Demonstrate phone skills as directed  
Analyze daily schedules

**18. Utilize dental software**

**Learning Objectives**

Prepare patient records for treatment  
Demonstrate knowledge in dental software

**19. Utilize Minnesota expanded functions**

**Learning Objectives**

Define Minnesota expanded functions  
Employ expanded functions as directed by dentist

**20. Maintain internship records**

**Learning Objectives**

Complete log of activities  
Assemble internship records for review

**21. Analyze employment opportunities**

**Learning Objectives**

Evaluate job opportunities  
Complete job applications

**22. Complete National and State board examination applications**

**Learning Objectives**

Complete Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) test application  
Complete Minnesota licensure test application

**23. Participate in seminars**

### **Learning Objectives**

Attend seminars as scheduled  
Identify weekly progress  
Complete documents and weekly results forms

## **24. Prepare for licensure in accordance with Minnesota Board of Dentistry**

### **Learning Objectives**

Complete background application  
Complete initial professional portfolio

## **SCC Accessibility Statement**

South Central College strives to make all learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you have a disability and need accommodations for access to this class, contact the Academic Support Center to request and discuss accommodations. North Mankato: Room B-132, (507) 389-7222; Faribault: Room A-116, (507) 332-7222.

Additional information and forms can be found at: [www.southcentral.edu/disability](http://www.southcentral.edu/disability)

This material can be made available in alternative formats by contacting the Academic Support Center at 507-389-7222.

## **Attendance**

Attendance is critical for completion of this course. Students are required to complete a minimum of 30 hour weekly at each extra-mural site, 32 hours is preferred. Students will work the hours the dental office has established, students will not adjust these hours to accommodate their personal schedules. Each student will participate in two (2) five (5) week extra-mural clinical affiliations; internships, vacations are not allowed. Attendance is required for weekly seminars, dates and times of the seminars will be established early in the semester.

## **Dress Code**

Professional attire will be required for each day, name tags will be displayed and all PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) will be used in each clinical setting.

## **Professionalism**

Students are expected to follow professionalism guidelines, use appropriate language and terms. Students will follow protocols as set by the extra-mural site, will employ proper problem solving skills, will be punctual, and maintain a safe work environment.

## **HIPAA**

Students will follow all HIPAA guidelines and will protect patient privacy at all times. All protected health information will remain private the the student will not reveal any of the protected information. Any reference to situations at the extra-mural site will not include any identifying factors.

## **Seminar**

Students will be required to meet weekly with faculty to review the weeks progress, turn in relevant forms, discuss employment opportunities as well as prepare for state and national board exams.

