## COLLEGE OF THE ROCKIES

# Community Dental Health – DENT 141
## Certified Dental Assisting Program

# Course Outline

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| **COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** | **Pre 1998** |
| **OUTLINE EFFECTIVE DATE:** | **September 2023** |
| **COURSE OUTLINE REVIEW DATE:** | **April 2028** |

**GENERAL COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course focuses on health promotion messages in the context of community health care. Students have the opportunity to prepare and present educational sessions to the public, while under the supervision of a licensed instructor. Certified Dental Assistants often provide nutritional and oral health counseling within a dental office or in a public health setting. Students also learn about caring for geriatric patients and people with disabilities.

**Program Information:** This course is required for successful completion of the Certified Dental Assisting program.

**Delivery:** This course is delivered face to face.

**COTR Credits:** 3

**Hours for this course:** 45

**Typical Structure of Instructional Hours:**

| Instructional Activity | Duration |
|---|---|
| Lecture Hours | 42 |
| Seminars / Tutorials | |
| Laboratory / Clinical Hours | |
| Practicum / Field Experience Hours | 3 |
| Other Contact Hours | |
| **Total** | 45 |

**Practicum Hours (if applicable):**

| Type of Practicum | Duration |
|---|---|
| On-the-job Experience | N/A |
| Formal Work Experience | N/A |
| Other | N/A |
| **Total** | |

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Valid from:  September 2023 – April 2028


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Education Council Approval Date


**COURSE PREREQUISITES AND TRANSFER CREDIT:**

**Prerequisites:**    DENT 100, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 140, 142, Part 1 of DENT 154 and DENT PRAC #1

**Corequisites:**    None

**Flexible Assessment (FA):**

Credit can be awarded for this course through FA          ☐ Yes     ☑ No

**Transfer Credit:**    For transfer information within British Columbia, Alberta and other institutions, please visit http://www.cotr.bc.ca/Transfer.

Students should also contact an academic advisor at the institution where they want transfer credit.

**Prior Course Number:**    N/A

**Textbooks and Required Resources:**

Textbook selection varies by instructor and may change from year to year. At the Course Outline Effective Date the following textbooks were in use:

> Elsevier Saunders (Bird and Robinson, *Modern Dental Assisting*, 13th Edition, ISBN 978-0-323-62485-5

> DENT 141 Module

*Please see the instructor's syllabus or check COTR's online text calculator* https://textbook.cotr.bc.ca/ *for a complete list of the currently required textbooks.*

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**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to

- approach community dental practice with a respect for the culture, traditions, and protocols of communities;
- discuss and present dental practice in the community and in public health;
- discuss and describe the care for persons with disabilities within a dental care setting;
- discuss and describe the care for elderly patients within a dental care setting;
- identify the benefits and application of good nutrition for all aspects of the body including oral health; and
- present and promote dental health through community presentations.

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**COURSE TOPICS:**

- Dental Assisting in Public Health
- Professional Involvement in the Community
- Oral Health Presentations in Groups
- Disability Considerations
- Geriatrics
- Nutrition

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**EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT:**

| Assignments | % Of Total Grade |
|---|---|
| Quizzes, Worksheets and Assignments | 15% |
| Community Dental Presentation Planning Outline | 15% |
| Community Dental Presentation | 25% |
| Diet Analysis & Counseling | 15% |
| Final Exam - Unit 6 | 30% |
| Total | 100% |

*Please see the CDA Program Student Handbook for specific policies related to this course.*

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**EXAM POLICY:**

Students must attend all required scheduled exams that make up a final grade at the appointed time and place.

Individual instructors may accommodate for illness or personal crisis. Additional accommodation will not be made unless a written request is sent to and approved by the appropriate Department Head prior to the scheduled exam.

Any student who misses a scheduled exam without approval will be given a grade of "0" for the exam.

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**COURSE GRADE:**

Course grades are assigned as follows:

| Grade | A+ | A | A- | B+ | B | B- | F |
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| **Mark** (Percent) | ≥ 95 | 94-90 | 89-85 | 84-80 | 79-75 | 74-70 | < 70 |

Students must achieve an overall grade of 70% to pass this course.

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**ACADEMIC POLICIES:**

*See www.cotr.bc.ca/policies for general college policies related to course activities, including grade appeals, cheating and plagiarism.*

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**COURSE CHANGES:**

Information contained in course outlines is correct at the time of publication. Content of the courses is revised on an ongoing basis to ensure relevance to changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The instructor will endeavour to provide notice of changes to students as soon as possible. The instructor reserves the right to add or delete material from courses.