## Dental Assisting Diploma Sample Academic Track

Credits required for graduation: 54 - 55

The Dental Assisting diploma molds students into skilled and certified Georgia expanded duty dental assistants. It combines academic and technical training for job readiness and advancement, focusing on both dental assisting theory and hands-on practice. Graduates are set to pursue a career in dentistry with certifications in Dental Radiology, Georgia Expanded Duties, Coronal Polishing and the opportunity to obtain the Dental Assisting National Board Certified Dental Assistant credential.



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TERM 2 (FALL) DENA 1080 (4) DENA 1050 (3) DENA 1340 (6)

TERM 4 (SUMMER) DENA 1090 (1) DENA 1400 (2) DENA 1460 (1) JENA 14/0 (1, DENA 1480 (5) Graduation

TERM 1

ENGL 1010 (3)

PSYC 1010 (3)

MATH 1012 (3)

**ELECTIVE COURSE** 

TERM 3 (SPRING) DENA 1030 (1) DENA 1070 (2) DENA 1350 (7) DENA 1390 (4)

**Employment for Dental Assistants in** Georgia

2021 Median Pay \$39,860 per year \$19.17 per hour

(choose 1 below) COLL 1020 (3) COMP 1000 (3) ALHS 1040 (3)

MAST 1060 (4)





4 SEMESTERS

## Dental Assisting

The dental assisting industry offers substantial earning potential. According to data from 2021, the median pay for dental assistants in the state of Georgia was \$39,860 per year, or \$19.17 per hour.

Completing the required 54-55 credits for graduation is akin to the technical areas of preventive dentistry; four-handed dentistry; chairside assisting with emphasis in diagnostics, operative, fixed prosthodontics, pediatric dentistry, orthodontic procedures, endodontic procedures, surgical specialties, and expanded duties; dental practice management; and dental radiology..

Graduates emerge certified in Georgia Expanded Duties for Dental Assistants, Dental Radiology, Coronal Polishing, and are given the opportunity to sit for the Dental Assisting National Board certification exam for the Certified Dental Assistant Credential.

