

2025-2026 TTC Catalog

Expanded Duty Dental Assisting

Diploma in Applied Science in Expanded Duty Dental Assisting

43 Credit Hours

The Expanded Duty Dental Assisting program prepares students for dental assisting procedures under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist. The program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Graduates are eligible for certification in monitoring nitrous oxide sedation by the South Carolina State Board of Dentistry. Upon satisfactory completion of the Dental Assisting National Board examinations, graduates are designated certified dental assistants.

Accreditation

Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Ave.
Chicago, IL 60611-2678

General Education Core Requirements

ENG 101 English Composition I 3
PSY 201 General Psychology 3
IDS 109 First Year Experience Seminar 3
or

REQ GEN Select from 3
[General Education](#)

Total: 9

Major Requirements

DAT 113 Dental Materials 4
DAT 115 Ethics and Professionalism 1
DAT 118 Dental Morphology 2
DAT 121 Dental Health Education 2
DAT 122 Dental Office Management 2
DAT 123 Oral Medicine-Oral Biology 3
DAT 127 Dental Radiography 4
DAT 154 Clinical Procedures I 4
DAT 177 Dental Office Experience 7
DAT 185 Dental Specialties 5

Total: 34

Applicants will be admitted to this program on a first-qualified, first-admitted basis. Applicants are considered to be qualified for admission to the next available class when they meet all college and program requirements. Qualified applicants will be notified via my.tridenttech.edu email indicating the year that they have been admitted. Classes for the program begin each Summer Semester.

In addition to meeting the college's general admission requirements, including submission of official high school and college transcripts, APPLICANTS TO THE EXPANDED DUTY DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM MUST COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete the **Health Sciences Application**.
2. Achieve a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA at the time of acceptance and at date of entry into the program based on classes taken within five years of acceptance into the program.
3. After submitting the Health Sciences Application, the student will receive details in their Trident Tech email from the Health Sciences Admissions Coordinator regarding the Information Session and quiz. Students must achieve a 100% score on the online quiz following the session to verify the information was reviewed and understood.
4. Submit an Observation Form to HealthSciencesAdmissions@tridenttech.edu documenting a minimum of 5 hours of observation in General Dentistry of a Certified Dental Assistant, graduate of an ADA accredited Dental Assisting Program, or an Expanded Duty Dental Assistant. The applicant is responsible for the observation experience. Forms may be found on the TTC Health Sciences webpage.
5. Submit a Statement of Completion form online. The link to the form can be found on the Health Sciences webpage the Health Sciences webpage.

General Admission Procedures for the Expanded Duty Dental Assisting Program

1. Students will be required to provide a completed, current Health Sciences – Student Health Record including all immunizations and titers, TB (PPD) tests, as well as current Healthcare Provider CPR certification, major medical insurance and medical professional liability coverage.
2. Students will be notified by my.tridenttech.edu email the date and time of the mandatory program orientation. Failure to attend will result in forfeiture of seat in the program.

Note: Falsification of any information submitted will make a student ineligible for admission to or continuation in the Expanded Duty Dental Assisting program.

Course Progression

To progress to the next Expanded Duty Dental Assisting term/semester, the student must earn a grade of C or better in all courses required for the program. Student must earn a C or better in professional development for each course.