



Wayne County Community College District

COURSE SYLLABUS

DA 117 Clinical Practice I

CREDIT HOURS: 5.00

CONTACT HOURS: 150.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to perfect students' competencies in performing dental assisting functions. Practice is provided in a clinical dental setting with emphasis being placed on the opportunity for the student to perform infection control procedures, tray set-ups and chair side evacuation and retraction. There is a one hour weekly seminar in conjunction with the field experience to integrate theoretical, laboratory, and clinical instruction and to provide opportunities for students to share their experiences.

PREREQUISITES: Program Approval

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

Upon completion of this course, the student will be familiar with:

- Exhibit professionalism, good patient management and personal appearance.
- Perform delegated duties in a prompt and effective manner.
- Execute four handed dentistry techniques including retraction and evacuation and passing instruments.
- Practice oral evacuation and retraction with maximum effectiveness.
- Prepare armamentarium for tray set-ups.
- Utilize sterilization methods according to specific procedures.
- Prepare and manipulate varied dental materials.
- Record medical and dental histories.
- Assist with chairside procedures including dental charting and periodontal charting.
- Expose, process and develop radiographs

ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:

90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E