





CREDENTIAL Ontario College Certificate PROGRAM CODE Fall: 0341 AREA OF INTEREST Health LOCATION Thunder Bay

DURATION 1-year (extended)

# Overview

# Like the thought of helping people look their best AND lead a healthy lifestyle?

Confederation College's Dental Assisting (Levels I and II) certificate program will provide you with the knowledge and hands-on practical skills you need to work in a dental office. As a dental assistant, you'll become a vital member of the oral health team who works in a collaborative, professional and ethical manner. The one-year certificate program prepares you for a variety of related tasks such as clinical chair-side assistant; laboratory, radiography, and/ or administration; and health education and promotion. Courses cover many topics such as microbiology, dental radiography theory, orofacial anatomy, dental materials, dental office procedures and medical interventions.



# **Top Highlights**

- Program covers all aspects of dental assisting so you are prepared for employment immediately following graduation
- Program is fully accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC)
- Get on-the-job experience through placements so you can practice your skills in real-world situations
- Graduates are eligible to write the National Dental Assistants Board Exam (NDAEB) and successful completion allows them to practice anywhere in Canada



**Experiential Learning** Labs, Placement, Clinic



## **Employment Opportunities**

As a graduate of this program, you may find employment in private dental offices, community dental clinics, hospital dental clinics, public health units and specialty dental practices such as Orthodontics, Paedodontics, Periodontics, Endodontics, Oral Maxilla Facial Surgery, and Dental Sales Representative. Career categories include prospective positions such as Chair-side Level I Dental Assistant, Level II Dental Assistant, Administrative Assistant, Public Health Assistant, Educator or Dental Sales Representative.



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## **Admission Requirements**

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (or equivalent) with courses from the College (C), University (U), University/College (U/C), or Open (O) preparation levels with Grade 12 English (C/U) Level.
- or successful completion of the Mature Student Assessment.
- or successful completion of the General Education Development Test (GED).
- or appropriate credits from the Academic and Career Entrance program (ACE).

#### **Required Courses**

- Grade 11 or 12 Biology (College or University preparation) &
- Grade 11 or 12 Chemistry (College or University preparation)

## **Alternative Pathways**

If you do not possess these requirements, we suggest that you consider our Pre-Health Sciences-Pathways to Certificates and Diplomas program which will provide the necessary preparation to enter this program.

#### **First Semester**

- CS 050 College Writing
- DE 120 Microbiology
- DE 130 Restorative Practice Laboratory
- DE 131 Dental Radiography
- DE 132 Orofacial Anatomy
- DE 133 Dental Materials
- DE 134 Laboratory Skills & Techniques
- PW 130 Anatomy & Physiology

## Second Semester

- DE 206 Dental Office Procedures
- DE 215 Comprehensive Dental Care
- DE 216 Professionalism & Community Health
- DE 223 Medical Interventions
- DE 226 Field Placement
- DE 227 Clinical Skills & Techniques Practice Lab
- DE 231 Intra-Oral Practice Lab
- SY 180 Exploring Human Diversity

## **Third Semester**

DE 327 Clinical Consolidation DE 330 Level II Clinical Practice

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