

# Dental Assisting, A.A.S.

The Dental Assisting, AAS degree program is granted by Metropolitan Community College, but coordinated at JCCC.

This program, which leads to either an associate in applied science degree or a certificate of proficiency, prepares the student to enter the workforce as a trained dental auxiliary. Graduates of this program are eligible to take the national certifying examination given by the Dental Assisting National Board.

Admission to the Dental Assisting Program -Because enrollment in the program is limited, a student must meet the requirements and apply for admission.

JCCC offers the cooperative dental assisting degree for Johnson County residents with MCC-Penn Valley Community College. You must be accepted as a student at JCCC and accepted into the program at MCC-Penn Valley Community College. The student is awarded the degree from MCC-Penn Valley Community College upon successful completion of all requirements. It is the student's responsibility to check with a JCCC counselor before enrollment.

Program courses and credit hours are subject to change because of requirement changes at the degree-granting institution. Contact MCC-Penn Valley Community College at 816-604-4237 for an application packet, which includes deadlines, program prerequisites and admission requirements. Visit <http://mccckc.edu>.

Note: Johnson County Community College students should seek specific counsel from the MCC program personnel for the appropriate course plan and numbers.

Johnson County Community College students should refer to Cooperative Program Information (<http://www.jccc.edu/cooperative>).

## Degree Granted by Metropolitan Community College

### Associate of Applied Science

#### General Education Requirements-taken at JCCC

ENGL 121	Composition I*	3
MATH 116	Intermediate Algebra*	3
SPD 121	Public Speaking	3
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 122	Introduction to Sociology	3

#### American Institutions

Select one of the following:		3
HIST 140	U.S. History to 1877	
HIST 141	U.S. History Since 1877	
POLS 122	Political Science	
POLS 124	American National Government	
POLS 126	State and Local Government	

#### Specific Program Requirements

The following courses can be taken at any campus

Select one of the following:		6-8
BIOL 144 & BIOL 145	Human Anatomy and Physiology and Human Anatomy and Physiology Dissection*	
BIOL 140 & BIOL 225	Human Anatomy and Human Physiology*	
BIOL 230	Microbiology*	3
BIOL 231	Microbiology Lab*	2
CHEM 122	Principles of Chemistry	5

#### Specific Program Requirements-taken at MCC-Penn Valley

COLL 100	First Year Seminar	1
POLS 153	The Missouri Constitution	1

DENA 100	Introduction to Dental Assisting	1
DENA 101	Body Structure and Function	2
DENA 102	Head and Neck Anatomy	2
DENA 103	Dental Anatomy	2
DENA 104	Dental Emergencies and Pharmacology	1
DENA 105	Dental Materials I	2
DENA 108	Oral Microbiology and Infection Control	2
DENA 110	Chairside Assisting I	5
DENA 115	Dental Radiology I	4
DENA 125	Clinical Experience I	2
DENA 205	Dental Materials II	3
DENA 210	Chairside Assisting II	5
DENA 215	Dental Radiology II	2
DENA 225	Dental Office Management	2
DENA 230	Oral Pathology	1
DENA 250	Clinical Experience II	4
DENA 260	Dental Assisting Seminar	2

**Total Program Hours: 78-80**