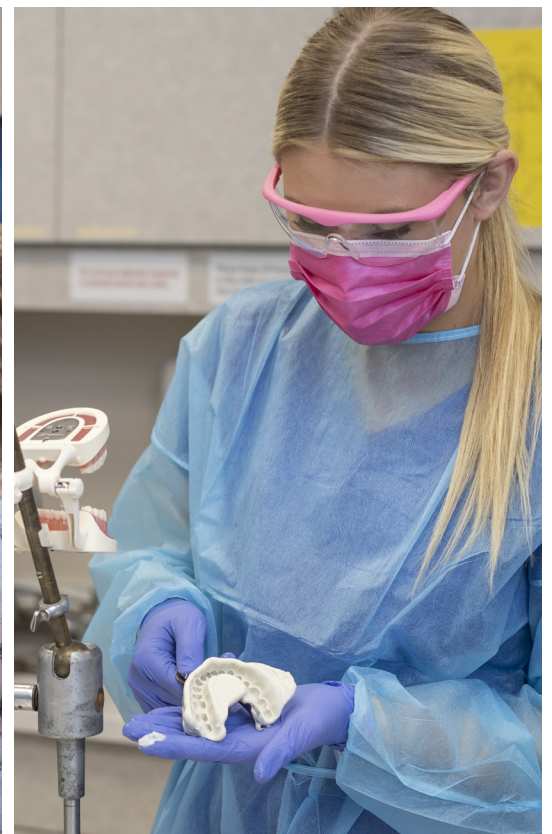


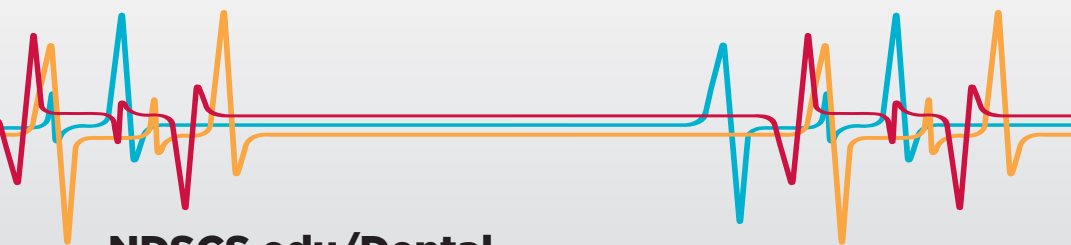


DENTAL ASSISTING

Program Information and Selection Process Booklet



FALL 2025



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STEPS FOR SELECTION

* PROGRAM APPLICATIONS DUE BY MARCH 15TH

- 1. Complete the NDSCS Admissions process.
- 2. Submit an official ACT and/or placement testing results to the Office of Admissions.
- 3. Satisfy the following GPA requirements:

GPA
Minimum of twelve college semester credits and a GPA of 2.0 or higher, OR a high school transcript with a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher will be used if no college courses.

- 4. Complete the Supplemental Program Application and the Essential Functions form for Dental Assisting.

<https://www.ndscs.edu/academics/academic-departments-programs/dental-assisting-hygiene/program-selection-process>

*If you cannot meet an Essential Function, please inform the Dental Assisting Program Coordinator, prior to continuing the selection process.

- 5. Complete the admission assessment (TEAS TEST) and meet the program benchmark score of **45** or higher.
- 6. Admission points:

Points are awarded in college level course reflecting a final grade of "C" or higher in the courses listed below. If no college courses have been taken, high school Biology, Algebra, and Chemistry grades will be used for points.

Courses	
ENG 110 College Composition BIOL 115 Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology BIOL 115L Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology Lab OR BIOL 220 Anatomy and Physiology BIOL 220L Anatomy and Physiology Lab I AND BIOL 221 Anatomy and Physiology BIOL 221L Anatomy and Physiology Lab I	Classes completed from the Dental Assisting course sequence of study will earn additional admission points if completed at NDSCS. Points will be determined when the applicant's transcript is reviewed.

NDSCS ALLIED HEALTH SELECTION PROCESS ASSESSMENT

The program you are applying to requires a selection process assessment. The assessment currently being utilized is the **Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS-Version 7)** by Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI).

The ATI TEAS is designed specifically to assess a student's preparedness for entering a health program. The ATI test is comprised of 170 questions in the areas of Reading, Math, Science and English.

SCHEDULING TEAS ONLINE:

- Use this link: <https://atitesting.com/teas/register>.

SCHEDULING TEAS AT NDSCS:

- Use this link: <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/NDSCSTestCenter@ad.ndus.edu/bookings/>

Accommodation Requests

Contact the NDSCS Accessibility Coordinator at 701-671-2623 or email NDSCS.accessibility@NDSCS.edu

Additional TEAS Info:

- The test must be taken by **March 15 th**.
- The cost of the exam is approximately **\$70**.
- A **benchmark score of 45 or above** must be achieved to apply to the program.
- **One retake** is allowed per selection process (maximum of two TEAS within a calendar year). The **highest score** within the current selection period will be used.
- There is a minimum of **two weeks** between testing dates for retakes.
- The current version of the test is ATI TEAS Test (**Version 7**). If you have a previous TEAS test and it is not this version, you will need to retake the assessment.
- You will receive your TEAS score immediately after testing in your ATI account.
- For information on preparing for your TEAS, visit www.atitesting.com

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When is the deadline to apply?

March 15th ***Late applications will not be accepted.**

Who should I contact to make sure my application is complete and how soon will I know my status in the program?

- Email ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu or call 701-671-2333 to ensure all program requirements are met and submitted by the application deadline.
- All applicants will receive an email informing them of their status in the program about 2 weeks after the application deadline.

Can I apply for the Dental Assisting Program and the Dental Hygiene Program?

Yes, just indicate an interest in both programs on your NDSCS Application for Admission and Supplemental Program Application. Email ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu to ensure your application is part of both programs' selection processes.

What is the difference between a Dental Assistant and a Dental Hygienist?

The biggest difference between the dental team members is that a dental assistant provides direct aid to dentists along with performing other clinical tasks while the dental hygienist works one-on-one with the patient providing treatment.

How many classes/credits will I have each semester?

The course sequence/credits outline for the Dental Assisting Program by semester is included in this booklet. Students will plan their individual program of study with their Dental Assisting Faculty Advisor. Course descriptions are available via the website at www.ndscs.edu/academics (Catalogs).

What format are the courses offered in?

All general education courses are offered either in-person, online, or hybrid.

All Dental Assisting courses are offered in-person only.

I completed some of my courses at a different college. How do I know which courses transfer to NDSCS?

Email enrollment records at ndscs.studentrecords@ndscs.edu or call 701-671-2521 or visit www.ndscs.edu/tes

What happens to my grade if I retake a course?

If you retake a class, the most recent grade will be recorded on your transcript, which will then be used by the program to award admission points.

What if I take an Advanced Placement (AP) pre-requisite course at my high school?

You will need to provide a transcript from College Board and have it sent to ndscs.studentrecords@ndscs.edu. A transcript must be received by March 1st, or no selection points will be given for that course.

I How much will it cost to complete the Dental Assisting Program at NDSCS?

Visit the website at www.ndscs.edu/paying-college for current tuition/fees information. There is also information pertaining to scholarships, grants and loans.

Is there an Enrollment Deposit if I am accepted to the program?

Yes, there is a \$300 non-refundable capacity enrollment deposit payable by March 25th for selected students. Payment is made to the Dental Assisting Program. This deposit is not an extra charge and will be applied toward your fall semester tuition.

If I am not admitted, can I reapply?

Yes, you may reapply for the following selection year. You must email ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu to have your file rolled over to the next selection year.

How can I receive information regarding policies pertaining to radiation safety, infectious diseases, and bloodborne pathogens?

Information is available upon request. Please email: ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu for more information

QUICK RESOURCES

Quick Resources		
Application to NDSCS	Website: www.ndscs.edu/apply	800-342-4325 ext. 32225 or 701-671-2225
Schedule a Campus Visit	Website: www.ndscs.edu/tour	800-342-4325 ext. 32521 or 701-671-2521
Transcripts/Transfer Credits	Email: ndscs.studentrecords@ndscs.edu Website: www.ndscs.edu/tes	800-342-4325 ext. 32521 701-671-2521
Financial Aid	Email: ndscs.fin.aid@ndscs.edu Website: www.ndscs.edu/paying-for-college	800-342-4325 ext. 2207 701-671-2207
Program Selection Process	Email: ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu	800-342-4325 ext. 32333 701-671-2333
Schedule TEAS Assessment at NDSCS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wahpeton Test Center 701-671-2256 • Fargo Test Center 701-231-6919 • https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/NDSCSTestCenter@ad.ndus.edu/bookings/ 	
Information about Program/Career	Email: chanel.malone@ndscs.edu	
Program Advisement	Email: chanel.malone@ndscs.edu	

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS FOR ALLIED DENTAL STUDENTS

Functional Ability/Activity-Attribute-Task

- **Emotional Stability**

Differentiate and establish personal and therapeutic boundaries (e.g. confidentiality/privacy)

Provide client with appropriate psycho social support

Deal with unexpected situations

Maintain attention on task

Perform multiple responsibilities concurrently

Handle strong emotions (e.g. grief, anger)

Have the emotional stability to function effectively under stress and to adapt to an environment that may change rapidly without warning and/or in unpredictable way

Maintain mature, sensitive and effective relationships with clients, students, faculty, staff, and other professionals under all conditions including highly stressful situations

Possess the emotional/mental health required for the full utilization of his or her intellectual capabilities and the exercise of good judgment necessary for working in any clinical site

Know if his or her values, attitudes, beliefs and emotions, and/or experiences affect his or her perceptions and relationships with others

Be willing and able to examine and change his or her behavior when it interferes with productive individual or team relationships

- **Analytical Thinking**

Gather data

Transfer knowledge from one situation to another

Assess and respond to change in patient's condition

Integrate information

Evaluate outcomes (e.g., effectiveness of care)

Problem solve

Prioritize care

Utilize long term memory

Utilize short term memory

Organize tasks to completion

Think critically

Takes immediate action to meet patient requests or needs

- **Critical Thinking Skill**
 - Identify cause-effect relationships
 - Synthesize knowledge and skills
 - Complete tasks in a timely manner
 - Model accountability for learning by sharing knowledge and learning from others

- **Interpersonal Skills**
 - Manage conflict between persons
 - Respect differences in clients/families/co-workers
 - Establish and maintain rapport with clients/families/co-worker
 - Treat others with respect
 - Build effective working relationships

- **Communication Skills**
 - Communicate information (e.g., teach patient, family, or groups)
 - Explain procedures
 - Give oral and written reports
 - Interact with others (e.g., effective group participation)
 - Use the telephone – communicate summary of data
 - Advocate for patient
 - Direct activities of others
 - Convey information orally and in writing (e.g., charting, reports, papers)
 - Use computer
 - Employ therapeutic communication techniques
 - Assess and respond to verbal and non-verbal communication

- **Gross Motor Skills**
 - Provide standing support to patient
 - Manipulate equipment above shoulders (e.g., dental light)
 - Reach below waist (e.g., plug(ins))
 - Assist transfer of patient (e.g., wheelchair to dental chair)
 - Maintain patient / client safety at all times

- **Fine Motor Skills**
 - Pick up objects (e.g., hand piece, instruments)
 - Grasp small objects (e.g., instruments, sealant syringe tips, burs, needles)
 - Write
 - Use a computer
 - Pinch/pick or otherwise work with fingers (e.g., dental instruments, gloving, small equipment)
 - Turn knobs with hands on door or equipment

- Squeeze (e.g., tubes, syringe)
- Put on caps, gown, gloves, and mask
- Apply pressure to remove calculus and cement

- **Physical Endurance**
 - Sustain repetitive movements (e.g., CPR, instrumentation)
 - Work entire day

- **Physical Strength**
 - Lift 25 pounds (e.g., transfer client)
 - Move objects 10-40 pounds
 - Carry equipment/supplies
 - Use upper body strength (CPR)
 - Squeeze (e.g., fire extinguisher)

- **Hearing**
 - Hear normal speaking level sounds (e.g., to communicate with client)
 - Hear faint voices (e.g., elderly, oxygen deprived)
 - Hear faint body sounds (e.g., blood pressure)
 - Hear in situations not able to see lips (when using masks)
 - Respond to alarms (high/low frequency)

- **Visual**
 - Visualize objects up to 20 inches away
 - Visualize objects up to 20 feet away
 - Visualize objects more than 20 feet away
 - Use depth perception (e.g. injections)
 - Use peripheral vision
 - Focus quickly when move from one object to another
 - Focus on small objects (teeth and other oral structures)
 - Adequate vision in both eyes (20/20 or correction)
 - Distinguish color (e.g. patient secretions, and color-coded records)
 - Distinguish color intensity (e.g. blue complexion, redness of blood)
 - Respond to alarms

- **Tactile**
 - Feel vibrations (e.g., pulses, nerve responses, tremor)
 - Detect temperature of room, skin
 - Feel differences in surface characteristics (e.g., oral tissues)
 - Feel differences in sizes, shapes (e.g., palpate, perform assessment)

- **Smell**

- Detect odors from patient
- Detect smoke
- Detect gases or noxious smells

- **Reading**

- Read and understand written documents (i.e. patient charts, professional literature)
- Use anatomical design/diagrams correctly
- Display mathematic competence
- Read digital displays
- Read graphic printouts (e.g. vital signs, numbers)
- Read analog and digital clock

Motor Functions

- Measure time (e.g., duration)
- Count rates (e.g., pulse)
- Use measuring tools (e.g., probes)
- Read Measurement marks (e.g., scales)
- Add, subtract, multiply, divide
- Use a calculator
- Write numbers in records
- Maintain client /patient records

Dental Assisting Program Competencies

At completion of the North Dakota State College of Science Dental Assisting Program, the graduate will be competent to:

1. Demonstrate basic chairside assisting skills as well as expanded functions that are within the guidelines of regional state dental practice acts.
2. Demonstrate adequate diagnostic aids (i.e., radiographs, study models)
3. Demonstrate adequate laboratory skills.
4. Understand and manage ethical decisions and comply with legal regulations governing the practice of dental assisting.
5. Exhibit professionalism in a dental healthcare setting.
6. Manage various types of patients in a variety of clinical settings.
7. Demonstrate adequate job seeking skills.
8. Demonstrate basic dental office procedures.
9. Apply self-assessment principles and incorporate lifelong learning.
10. Use and evaluate scientific information to enhance their knowledge and skills in the promotion of oral health.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS - IMMUNIZATIONS/VERIFICATIONS

Documentation (compliance check) of the following immunizations/verifications will be due by July 15th (*unless specified). Students will not be allowed to participate in clinic unless all requirements have been met. Immunizations, exams and certifications are at the students' expense. *Students accepted into the program will receive more information on how to create and pay for an account in the clearing house utilized by the program and how to upload the requirements prior to the deadline date. DO NOT submit these requirements directly to the program.*

***Please contact the NDSCS Dental Department at ndscs.dental@ndscs.edu for questions regarding exemptions.**

Health Record Requirements:

- documented evidence of two Measles, Mumps, Rubella vaccination or Rubella positive titer.
- documentation of three Hepatitis B immunizations, positive titer or a waiver.
- documentation of two Varicella (Chicken Pox) vaccinations or proof of a positive titer.
- documentation of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis) vaccination within the last ten years.
- documentation of a negative **two-step** TB Skin Test (Mantoux), QuantiFERON Gold blood test or Tspot. If positive, a copy of the lab report or a clear chest x-ray completed within the last year. *This requirement will be a yearly renewal.*
- *documentation of a flu shot administered during the current flu season. **This requirement will not be **due until October** to ensure administration of current vaccination and will be a yearly renewal.*
- documentation of current Health Insurance.
- documentation annual eye exam.

****Additional student immunizations/certifications may be required prior to clinical site placements, which could also include COVID-19 vaccinations.**

Certifications/Licensure

CPR Certification – Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider from American Heart Association (AHA) OR Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers from American Red Cross (ARC) ONLY

Background Check/Fingerprinting/Drug Screen:

Criminal Background Check

Drug screening, fingerprinting and additional background checks may be required (dependent on clinical site requirements)

Health Insurance:

Submit documentation of current Health Insurance.

Students will be required to stay current with the above requirements while in the program. Students are responsible for all costs.

Dental Assisting (AAS degree)

Contact Information

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 Mayme Green Allied Health Center 213P

Delivery Methods

Face to Face: Wahpeton
 Online: Some Classes

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- applying preventive agents such as fluoride or pit and fissure sealants.
- serving as an infection control officer, developing infection control protocol, and preparing and sterilizing instruments and equipment.
- performing office management tasks such as scheduling appointments, answering the telephone, billing, ordering and computer use.
- provide other expanded duties according to state regulations.

Career Opportunities

- solo and group dental practices.
- general or specialty practices such as oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, dentofacial orthopedics, endodontics, periodontics, prosthodontics, and pediatric dentistry; and
- sales and marketing of dental products.

The Dental Assisting program includes curriculum content in general studies, biodental sciences, dental sciences, clinical sciences, and clinical practice. Students receive more than 300 hours of clinical experience in community and regional dental offices in addition to courses taken on campus. Students will be required to cover all expenses associated with affiliation and internship assignments. Criminal background checks will be required. A felony charge and/or conviction may affect participation in clinical experience(s), and therefore, program completion. If this issue applies, the student must meet with the department chair.

This program requires access to a personal laptop and printer, capable of completing the assignments/testing required by the program, with a current operating system and webcam/microphone. Tablets and Chromebooks are not compatible with online classes/testing.

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DAST 132	Clinical Training I	3
DAST 132L	Clinical Training I: Clinic	3
DAST 133	Clinical Training II	5
DAST 142	Dental Materials for the Dental Assistant	3
DAST 144	Biodental Science	2
DAST 151L	Simulation Lab I	1
DAST 152L	Simulation Lab II	1
DENT 101	Science of Success: Introduction to Dental Professions	1
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
CIS 101	Digital Literacy	2
NUTR 240	Principles of Nutrition (and Diet Therapy)	3
BIOL 115	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology	3
BIOL 115L	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology Lab	1
or BIOL 220	Anatomy and Physiology I (3)	
BIOL 220L	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1)	
and BIOL 221	Anatomy and Physiology II (3)	
BIOL 221L	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (1)	
ENGL 110	College Composition I	3
English Elective (choose one)		3
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
ENGL 105	Technical Communications	
General Education Electives		9
Total Required Credits for Associate		61

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Suggested Sequence of Study (Standard)
(Students fully admitted into the program)

Please Note: This is a suggested sequence of study. Course sequencing may be impacted by transfer credits, unsuccessful course completion, course offerings and various other factors. Please meet with your Academic Advisor to ensure correct course enrollment and sequencing each semester.

Developmental Credits Needed:

Reading ____ ASC 84 (optional)
 Writing ____ ASC 86 ____ ASC 87 ____ ASC 88
 Math ____ ASC 91 ____ ASC 92 ____ ASC 93

Placement in Mathematics and English depends on placement from exam results.

If you are planning to transfer, please note: ENGL 105 DOES NOT transfer; take ENGL 120, 125 or COMM 110 for transfer credits. MATH transfer credits include MATH 103, MATH 104 or MATH 210, among others.

FIRST SEMESTER			
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:
BIOL 115	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology	3	(or BIOL 220 AND BIOL 221) Full Semester
BIOL 115L	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology Lab	1	(or BIOL 220L AND BIOL 221L) Full Semester
DAST 106	Pre-Clinic for the Dental Assistant	1	Full Semester
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DAST 142	Dental Materials for the Dental Assistant	3	Full Semester
DAST 151L	Dental Assisting Simulation Lab I	1	Full Semester
DENT 101	Introduction to Dental Professions	1	1st 8 weeks

Total Credits: 18

SECOND SEMESTER			
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:
DAST 105	Office Practice and Management	1	Full Semester
DAST 120	Dental Assisting Expanded Functions	2	1st 4 weeks
DAST 132	Clinical Training I	3	2nd 12 weeks
DAST 132L	Clinical Training I: Clinic	3	2nd 12 weeks
DAST 144	Biodental Science	2	Full Semester
DAST 152L	Dental Assisting Simulation Lab II	1	Full Semester
ENGL 110	College Composition I	3	
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3	Full Semester

Total Credits: 18

SUMMER SEMESTER			
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:
DAST 133	Clinical Training II	5	Full Semester

Total Credits: 5

ADDITIONAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS - AAS DEGREE			
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:
CIS 101	Digital Literacy	2	1st 8 weeks, 2nd 8 weeks or Full Semester
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	Full Semester
*Elective	English Elective	3	ENGL 120 or ENGL 105 (Full Semester)
NUTR 240	Principles of Nutrition (and Diet Therapy)	3	Full Semester
*Elective	General Education Elective	9	Electives to be chosen with advisor

Total Credits: 20

FOURTH SEMESTER			
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:

Total Credits: 0

TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS FOR DEGREE: 61

Suggested Sequence of Study (Standard)
(Students fully admitted into the program)

Please Note: This is a suggested sequence of study. Course sequencing may be impacted by transfer credits, unsuccessful course completion, course offerings and various other factors. Please meet with your Academic Advisor to ensure correct course enrollment and sequencing each semester.

Developmental Credits Needed:

Reading ___ ASC 84 (optional)
Writing ___ ASC 86 ___ ASC 87 ___ ASC 88
Math ___ ASC 91 ___ ASC 92 ___ ASC 93

Placement in Mathematics and English depends on placement from exam results.

If you are planning to transfer, please note: ENGL 105 DOES NOT transfer; take ENGL 120, 125 or COMM 110 for transfer credits. MATH transfer credits include MATH 103, MATH 104 or MATH 210, among others.

FIRST SEMESTER				
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:	
BIOL 115	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology	3	(or BIOL 220 AND BIOL 221) Full Semester	
BIOL 115L	Concepts of Anatomy and Physiology Lab	1	(or BIOL 220L AND BIOL 221L) Full Semester	
DAST 106	Pre-Clinic for the Dental Assistant	1	Full Semester	
DAST 110	Oral Anatomy for the Dental Assistant	2	Full Semester	
DAST 111	Introduction to Chairside Assisting	3	Full Semester	
DAST 115	Dental Radiology for the Dental Assistant	3	Full Semester	
DAST 142	Dental Materials for the Dental Assistant	3	Full Semester	
DAST 151L	Dental Assisting Simulation Lab I	1		
DENT 101	Introduction to Dental Professions	1	1st 8 weeks	

Total Credits: 18

SECOND SEMESTER				
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:	
DAST 105	Office Practice and Management	1	Full Semester	
DAST 120	Dental Assisting Expanded Functions	2	1st 4 weeks	
DAST 132	Clinical Training I	3	Full Semester	
DAST 132L	Clinical Training I: Clinic	3	2nd 12 weeks	
DAST 144	Biodental Science	2	Full Semester	
DAST 152L	Dental Assisting Simulation Lab II	1	Full Semester	
ENGL 110	College Composition I	3	Full Semester	
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3	Full Semester	

Total Credits: 18

SUMMER SEMESTER				
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:	
DAST 133	Clinical Training II	5	Full Semester	

Total Credits: 5

THIRD SEMESTER				
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:	

Total Credits: 0

FOURTH SEMESTER				
Subject/Catalog	Course Title	Credits	Comments:	

Total Credits: 0

TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS FOR DEGREE: 41



NDSCS HEALTH PROGRAMS

Dental

- Dental Assisting
- Dental Hygiene

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- Paramedic Technology

Health Information

- Health Information Technician
- Medical Coding

Nursing

- Practical Nursing
- Registered Nursing

Occupational Therapy Assistant

- Occupational Therapy Assistant

Pharmacy Technician

- Pharmacy Technician



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