

**DNCE 211 Pointe/Pas de Deux (.5,1,1.5,2,2.5,3)**

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 hours lecture/laboratory

**Prerequisite:** A minimum grade of 'C' in DNCE 210**Note:** May be taken 3 times**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Intermediate pointe and partnering techniques in classical dance.

**DNCE 215 Jazz Technique III (1,1.5)**

2 or 3 hours lecture/laboratory

**Prerequisite:** A minimum grade of 'C' in DNCE 121**Note:** Maximum of 4 completions in any combination of DNCE 120, 121, 215**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Advanced jazz movement and floor progressions.

**DNCE 216 Advanced Dance Technique (1,1.5)**

2 or 3 hours lecture/laboratory

**Prerequisite:** A minimum grade of 'C' in DNCE 215**Note:** May be taken 4 times**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Advanced level dance technique in commercial dance stylizations and rhythms.

**DNCE 297 Experimental Projects in Dance (.5,1,1.5,2,3)**

1, 2, 3, 4, or 6 hours lecture/laboratory

**Prerequisite:** Enrollment subject to project approval**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC – Credit determined by UC upon review of course syllabus.

Advanced dance projects including individual research, tutoring, and performance for college classes and community projects.

**Database**

See CSIS - Database

**Dental Assisting (DA)**

Contact the Dental Assisting Program for further information.

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**Associate in Arts Degrees -**

AA Degree requirements are listed in Section 6 (green pages).

• Dental Assisting (Registered Dental Assistant)

**Certificates of Achievement -**

Certificate of Achievement requirements are listed in Section 6 (green pages).

• Dental Assisting (Registered Dental Assistant)

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**

The Dental Assisting Program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, and is approved by the Dental Board of California.

Certification and Licensing. Upon successful program completion, student will be issued a Certificate of Proficiency in Dental Radiography issued by Palomar College. Students who successfully complete the program are eligible to apply for the California Registered Dental Assistant Examination to become licensed as a California Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) with a Coronal Polishing Certificate; and are eligible to apply for the nationally recognized Certified Dental Assistant Examination offered by the Dental Assisting National Board, Incorporated (DANB).

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Admission to the Dental Assisting Program is by special application. To be eligible for admission, applicants must:

1. Complete Palomar College Application for Admission;
2. Attend a Dental Assisting orientation meeting;

3. Show proof of high school graduation or equivalent by submitting official transcripts, or proof of a passing score on the General Education Development test (GED);
4. Take a Palomar College English assessment test and be eligible for English 50, or demonstrate completion of a similar, equivalent college English course(s);
5. Submit medical and dental clearances including TB test results;
6. Meet academic requirements as specified in the Dental Assisting Program brochure;
7. Show proof of a valid Social Security number.

Dental assistants need to have good vision, hearing, and the ability to communicate orally. In addition, they must have the ability to comprehend and interpret written information; and the dexterity to use small dental instruments.

## Dental Assisting (Registered Dental Assistant)

### A.A. DEGREE MAJOR OR CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

To remain enrolled in the program, students must earn a minimum grade of 'C' (2.0) in each of the required courses. Students must pass all laboratory and clinical evaluations at 75% competency or a substandard grade will be assigned for the course. A student may fail a dental assisting course on the basis of clinical practice even though theory grades may be passing.

Program Requirements	Units
DA 50 Introduction to Dental Sciences/Occupations	3
ENG 50 or Introductory Composition	4
ENG 100 or English Composition	4
ESL 103 Written Communication III	5
Proof of current BLS for Healthcare Providers Certificate	0

**First Semester**

DA 57 Dental Sciences and Anatomy	4
DA 60 Dental Materials	3
DA 65 Dental Practice Management	2
DA 70 Dental Radiography I	2.5
DA 75 Dental Operative Procedures	5
DA 82 Preventive Dentistry I	1

**Second Semester**

DA 71 Dental Radiography II	.5
DA 83 Preventive Dentistry II	.5
DA 85 Advanced Dental Procedures	4
DA 90 Clinical Rotation	6

**TOTAL UNITS** **35.5 - 36.5**

**COURSE OFFERINGS**

Courses numbered under 50 are non-degree courses.

Courses numbered under 100 are not intended for transfer credit.

**DA 47 Dental Assisting Topics (.5-4)**

Units awarded in topics courses are dependent upon the number of hours required of the student. Any combination of lecture, laboratory, or lecture/laboratory may be scheduled by the department. Refer to Class Schedule.

**Note:** Pass/No Pass grading only; may be taken 4 times

Non-degree Applicable

Topics in Dental Assisting. See Class Schedule for specific topic offered. Course title will designate subject covered.

### DA 50 Introduction to Dental Sciences and Dental Occupations (3)

3 hours lecture

**Note:** Graded only

General orientation to dental assisting. Introduction to basic oral anatomy, oral hygiene techniques and prevention, human behavior, dental nomenclature, dental