

Diploma

Dental Assistant Professional Diploma

Successfully Training Dental Assistants since 1991.

Your Career in Dental Assisting Starts Here

Are you ready to take the first step towards becoming a dental assistant and make a vital impact in the dental healthcare industry?

Columbia College's Dental Assistant Professional Diploma Program offers an accelerated path, allowing you to graduate in just 31 weeks. With experienced instructors, modern facilities, and a practical learning approach, this program equips you with the skills, technical knowledge, and clinical experience necessary for success in the dental healthcare profession. You will gain the skills to provide patient care in collaboration with healthcare providers, while adhering to provincial regulations and working within the scope of practice for dental assistants in your registered province of employment.

Enroll in Columbia College's accredited Dental Assistant Professional Diploma Program and pave the way to becoming a skilled dental assistant.

Quality education employers value.

Connect with an advisor today for detailed program information:

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Program Statistics



91%

Employment Rate
2021-2022



89%

Graduation Rate
2021-2022



\$24

Per Hour
Starting Salary

Type	Diploma
Program Delivery	In-Person
Start Dates	Spring and Fall
Duration	31 Weeks
Class Schedule	Mon - Fri 8:00am - 4:30 pm (students attend classes mostly ½ days, to permit time for pre-class/clinic learning)
Program Fees	\$22,114 *Subject to change with new academic year

Program Entry Requirements

Eligibility for the program can be established through either Standard Admission or Mature Admission, with further details provided below.

1. Standard Admission

- Canadian grade 12 high school diploma, verified by transcript
- Credit in English 30-1 with a minimum of final mark of 60%; or English 30-2 with a minimum final mark of 70% or equivalent

2. Mature Student Admission

Students who do not meet the standard admission requirements can apply through academic assessment.

Academic assessment students must meet the following:

- 19 years of age or older
- Out of high school for 1 year
- Successfully meet the entry levels on Columbia College's Accuplacer assessment test or show academic levels needed for our College Preparation Courses.

Additional and Clinical Requirements

- Successfully pass an admissions interview(s) to determine suitability for the profession and opportunity for success in the program
- Attend Columbia College's Dental Assistant Professional Program Orientation
- Submit a CPR Level BLS (Basic Life Support Provider) certificate current for the duration of the program – (Note: a 1 day course is offered at the College before the program start date for a fee. A student may also take this training at another institution prior to the first day of clinic.)
- Dentist verification that all immediate dental treatment has been completed and that the student is in good oral health – within 4 months of program start.
- Verification from health professional that the student has been immunized against: Hepatitis B, and Rubella (MMR-measles, mumps, rubella vaccine)

Tuition-Free College Prep Upgrading

Need to upgrade your academic skills before starting college? Our tuition-free College Prep Upgrading courses provide students with the tools they need to succeed in college-level courses.

*Conditions apply. Speak to an advisor for more information.