# Dental Assisting Program at Seattle Central College

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### What is Dental Assisting?

- Provide Patient Care
- Work Chair-side with the Dentist to Treat Patients
- Take X-Rays
- Polish Teeth
- Work in Oral-Surgery, Orthodontics & Pediatrics and more
- Several Opportunities for Growth in the Dental Field



Where do we work?

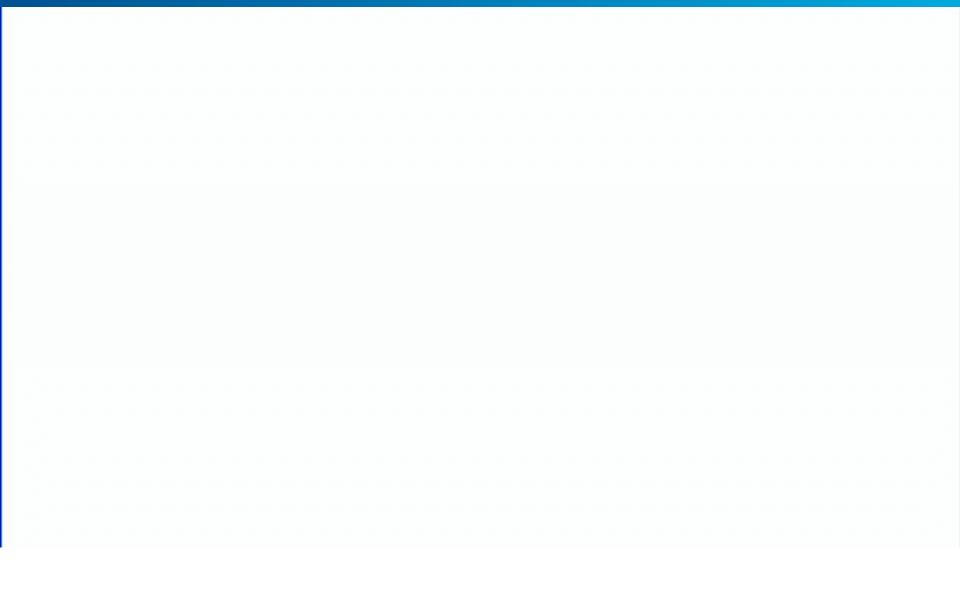
- Private Dental Offices
- Community Clinics
- Hospitals
- Colleges
- Universities

# Patient care

Laboratory duties	Preparation for procedures	Use of dental instruments
Take x-rays	Suction	Patient scheduling
Sterilize equipment	Keep dental records	Order dental supplies

No. of Concession, Name

## **Dental Assisting**



### **Education Pathway**

#### Seattle Central College Dental Assisting Program

- One Year In a College Accredited Dental Assisting Program
- 3 quarters of Clinical & Classroom Instruction with an Internship and Off-site Rotations
- One-quarter of an Externship in a Community Dental Clinic or Private Office
- Weekly Class/Clinic schedule is Approximately 4 Days Per week

### Dental Assisting – Average Wages



### What can you do to prepare now?

**Dental Assisting - Get Started** 



**Eligibility Requirements:** 

Be eligible for English 098 Be eligible for Math 087/91 High school diploma or GED

\*An academic advisor must review math and English placement test scores or transcripts to prove program eligibility.



#### **Contact Us**

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