

# DENTAL ASSISTING

## PROGRAM LENGTH

10 months

## CREDENTIALS/CREDITS

Professional certificate, 40 credits

## DELIVERY

In-Person, Online

## TUITION AND FEES

[NHTI.edu/tuition](https://nhti.edu/tuition)

## MORE INFO

NHTI – Concord's Community College  
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## ADMISSIONS

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603-230-4011 | Hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

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This program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and has been granted the accreditation status of "approval without reporting requirements." The commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at 312-440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611.



Dental assistants greatly increase the efficiency of the dentist in the delivery of quality oral healthcare. This program, available in both full- and part-time options, strives to create a learning environment in which graduates have the knowledge, skills, and values to provide comprehensive educational, preventive, and therapeutic services that reflect the competencies vital to the profession of dental assisting.

## Respected Reputation

NHTI offers the only accredited Dental Assisting program in the state of N.H. Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to sit for the Dental Assisting National Board national certification exam. This program is financial aid-eligible.

## Career Opportunities

Dental assistants are in high demand in N.H., with great part- and full-time job opportunities. This program offers students the opportunity to become involved in a healthcare profession as a member of the dental team in private dental offices, public dental clinics, and institutions.

Compared to non-accredited programs in the state, our graduates can legally take x-rays, place sealants, take impressions, remove sutures and place and remove periodontal packs, perform coronal polishing, apply fluoride treatments, monitor nitrous oxide, make provisional crowns, place and remove rubber dams, and apply desensitizing immediately upon completion of the program. Graduates can also further their career in NHTI's Expanded Functions Dental Auxiliary certificate program.

The salary of a dental assistant depends on the responsibilities associated with the specific position and the geographic location of employment. Dental assistants earn salaries equal to other healthcare personnel with similar training and experience such as medical assistants, physical therapy assistants, occupational therapy assistants, veterinary technicians, and pharmacy assistants.

## Specific Admission Requirements

The deadline for Summer 2023 admission is Dec. 1, 2022 (part time program).

The deadline for Fall 2023 admission is March 3, 2023 (full time program).

Preference will be given to applicants whose applications are complete and received by the Admissions Office by the deadline. Applications received after the deadline will only be considered if space remains in the program after qualified candidates have been reviewed.

- A course in high school Biology or Chemistry with a C or higher
- An informational group interview with the Dental Admissions Committee; qualified candidates are contacted after the deadline to arrange interview
- Observation of professional practices in a dental office for a period of not less than 20 hours; students must submit the completed Dental Assisting Observation Form to the Admissions Office by the application deadline. The completed observation is valid for 2 years only. Current dental office employees are not required to complete the hours of observation but are required to complete and submit the observation form.

Students who wish to enter this program and are currently enrolled in another NHTI program must complete and submit the Change of Program form to the Admissions Office prior to the application deadline.

## DENTAL ASSISTING CERTIFICATE FULL-TIME CURRICULUM

Course	Title	CL	LAB	CR
<b>Fall Semester</b>				
ADED 110C	Dental Assisting Science I <sup>1</sup>	3	0	3
ADED 105C	Dental Radiology for Dental Assisting <sup>1</sup>	2	3	3
ADED 161C	Dental Materials – Dental Assisting <sup>1</sup>	2	3	3
ADED 175C	Dental Assisting Theory I <sup>1</sup>	2	0	2
ADED 191C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience I <sup>1,2</sup>	0	4	1
ENGL 101C	English Composition	4	0	4
				<b>16</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>				
ADED 111C	Dental Assisting Science II	2	0	2
ADED 155C	Oral Hygiene Education/Nutrition	2	0	2
ADED 182C	Office Procedures and Management with Computer Applications	1	0	1
ADED 196C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience II <sup>1,2</sup>	0	15	5
ADED 239C	Concepts of Risk Management	2	0	2
ADED 275C	Dental Assisting Theory II	1	3	2
				<b>14</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>				
ADED 298C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience III (6 weeks)	2	8	4
PSYC 105C	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
ENGL 120C/COMM 120C	Communication	3	0	3
				<b>10</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>				<b>40</b>

<sup>1</sup>Indicates major field courses.

<sup>2</sup>All students enrolled in a clinical course will be charged a per-semester clinical surcharge.

## DENTAL ASSISTING CERTIFICATE PART-TIME CURRICULUM

Course	Title	CL	LAB	CR
<b>Summer Semester</b>				
ADED 110C	Dental Assisting Science I <sup>1</sup>	3	0	3
ADED 161C	Dental Materials – Dental Assisting <sup>1</sup>	2	3	3
				<b>6</b>
<b>Fall Semester</b>				
ADED 105C	Dental Radiology for Dental Assisting <sup>1</sup>	2	3	3
ADED 175C	Dental Assisting Theory I <sup>1</sup>	2	0	2
ADED 191C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience I <sup>1,2</sup>	0	4	1
				<b>6</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>				
ADED 111C	Dental Assisting Science II	2	0	2
ADED 239C	Concepts of Risk Management	2	0	2
ADED 275C	Dental Assisting Theory II	1	3	2
				<b>6</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>				
ENGL 101C	English Composition	4	0	4
ENGL 120C/COMM 120C	Communication <sup>3</sup>	3	0	3
				<b>7</b>
<b>Fall Semester</b>				
ADED 182C	Office Procedures and Management with Computer Applications	1	0	1
ADED 196C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience II <sup>1,2</sup>	0	15	5
PSYC 105C	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
				<b>9</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		
ADED 155C	Oral Hygiene Education/Nutrition	2	0	2
ADED 298C	Dental Assisting Clinical Experience III (6 weeks)	2	8	4
				<b>6</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>				<b>40</b>

<sup>1</sup>Indicates major field courses.

<sup>2</sup>All students enrolled in a clinical course will be charged a \$500 per semester clinical surcharge. The following courses carry this charge: ADED 191C, ADED 196C, and ADED 298C.

<sup>3</sup>May be taken in the Spring or Summer semester in order to access Financial Aid which requires a minimum of six credit hours.

### NHTI – Concord's Community College

NHTI is a dynamic public institution of higher learning that provides accessible, rigorous education for students, businesses, and the community. We create pathways for lifelong learning, career advancement, and civic engagement, offering 80+ academic programs to 4,600+ students annually. NHTI is a member of the Community College System of New Hampshire and since 1969 has been accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education, a nongovernmental, nationally recognized accrediting agency.

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