



# Train for a rewarding career as a Dental Assistant



**SJVC's Dental Assisting (DA) program includes all aspects of working with a dentist, including patient care, office and laboratory duties.**

Our balance of hands-on experience with classroom instruction covers dental assisting skills and related theory, as well as Registered Dental Assisting (RDA) licensure preparation. Whether training for a career chairside or an administrative position, students are well prepared at the program's completion.



**Training Today for a Better Tomorrow**



## Hands-On Training

### Students Learn:

- Dental anatomy and radiology
- Dental software
- Preventative dentistry
- Dental practice management
- Chairside assisting techniques



## Professional Certifications

Graduates earn a Certificate of Completion and additional certifications:

- Dental Radiation Safety
- CPR
- 8-hour Infection Control
- Dental Law and Ethics

Graduates are eligible to take the Dental Board of California Examination for state licensure.



## Career Information

Well-trained dental assistants can find work in dental offices and clinics, as well as laboratories and correctional facilities.

These skilled professionals are expected to perform the following job duties:

- Provide chairside assistance to the dentist
- Take dental impressions
- Fluoride treatments
- Expose and process x-rays
- Practice infection control procedures

SJVC's Dental Assisting program prepares students for licensed Registered Dental Assisting (RDA) functions, which include coronal polishing and pit and fissure sealants.

*\*Source: Occupational Information Network (O\*Net)*  
[www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)



## Admissions Requirements

- High School diploma or equivalent
- Wonderlic SLE assessment score of 12 or higher
- Applicant must be age 18 by his/her expected start date

Applicants must have reliable plans for transportation, child care and time to devote to school work outside of scheduled class hours.



## Course Listing\*

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Units
DA 105	Orientation to Dentistry	5.0
DA 110	Dental Anatomy and Patient Management	5.0
DA 115	Dental Regulations and Pre-Laboratory	5.0
DA 235	Restorative Procedures	2.0
DA 321	Periodontics and Oral Surgery Specialties	3.0
DA 325	Pediatrics and Orthodontic Specialties	3.0
DA 305	Prosthodontics and Endodontic Specialties	2.0
DA 230	Dental Radiology	5.0
DA 410	Preventative Clinical Procedures	5.0
DA 525	RDA Licensure Review Seminar	3.0
DA 530	Clinical and Professional Experience	5.0
<b>Total</b>		<b>43.0</b>

\*Course listings are subject to change. Reference the SJVC College Catalog for the most current program information.

### Institutional Accreditation

San Joaquin Valley College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at: [www.accjc.org](http://www.accjc.org).

### California State Approval

SJVC is a private institution and is approved to operate as an accredited institution by the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). Approval to operate means that SJVC has been found in compliance with the standards set forth in the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (as amended) and Title 5, Division 7.5, - Private Postsecondary Education of the California Code of Regulations. As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review the catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an enrollment agreement.

### Consumer Information

San Joaquin Valley College publishes important consumer information for all programs and campus locations. For comprehensive consumer information, visit <https://www.sjvc.edu/admissions/consumer-information>.

SJVC's Dental Assisting program is approved by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Dental Board of California.\*\*

\*\*The Hesperia Campus has received provisional approval from the Department of Consumer Affairs, Dental Board of California.

### SJVC Locations

<b>ATASCADERO</b> 805.470.7130	<b>FRESNO</b> 559.448.8282	<b>HANFORD</b> 559.584.8840	<b>MADERA</b> 559.302.2155	<b>PORTERVILLE</b> 559.853.4114	<b>VISALIA</b> 559.651.2500
<b>BAKERSFIELD</b> 661.834.0126	<b>FRESNO - TRADES EDUCATION CENTER</b> 559.453.0123	<b>HESPERIA</b> 760.948.1947	<b>MODESTO</b> 209.542.8800	<b>RANCHO CORDOVA</b> 916.638.7582	<b>ONLINE</b> 877.367.7582
<b>DELANO</b> 661.778.1145		<b>LANCASTER</b> 661.974.8282	<b>ONTARIO</b> 909.948.7582	<b>TEMECULA</b> 951.296.6015	Program availability varies by campus location. Please see the catalog for details.

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