



# Health Studies Associate Degree Program

SJVC's Health Studies program may be completed in 25 weeks. The program is designed for healthcare professionals who want to advance their career and who have earned a certificate of completion in Dental Assisting from SJVC. The Health Studies Associate of Science Degree affords excellent opportunities for professional growth and development through instruction in general education coursework designed to produce the competencies of higher education that employers expect of college graduates.



## Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, the successful student will be able to:

1. **Relate and apply** concepts of communication, reasoning, critical analysis, ethical behavior and appropriate interpersonal interaction to situations in his or her career and personal life.

Additionally, the general education coursework in the Health Studies program leads students directly to the success of the Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs) and Co-Curricular Learning Outcomes (CCLOs) of SJVC. The ILOs state that all graduates will be able to demonstrate skills in critical thinking, written and oral communication, quantitative reasoning, and information literacy. Equally important are the CCLOs: professionalism, intercultural awareness, self-awareness and learning, responsible citizenship, and leadership and teamwork. The courses taken in this program play a vital role in helping students accomplish these outcomes.

## Admission Requirements

To be considered for admission to the Health Studies program, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Successful completion of a minimum of 30.0 units of coursework in Dental Assisting
- Hold a Certificate of Completion in Dental Assisting from an institution of higher learning accredited by an agency that is recognized by the United States Department of Education

## Graduate Employment

The following job categories are considered in-field to calculate the graduate employment rates required by the state of California for graduates of the Health Studies Associate of Science degree program. Detailed information for each Standard Occupational Code (SOC) can be found at <http://www.onetonline.org/>.

- Billing and Posting Clerks (43-3021.00)
- Billing, Cost, and Rate Clerks (43-3021.02)
- Community Health Workers (21-1094.00)
- Dental Assistants (31-9091.00)
- Medical Records and Health Information Technicians (29-2071.00)
- Medical Secretaries and Administrative Assistants (43-6013.00)
- Office Clerks, General (43-9061.00)
- Statement Clerks (43-3021.01)



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## Online General Education Course Requirements

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Units
ENG 121	Composition & Reading – Part A	3.0
ENG 122	Composition & Reading – Part B	3.0
HEA 10	Health & Wellness	3.0
HUMN 125	Intercultural Communication	3.0
MTH 121	College Algebra – Part A	3.0
MTH 122	College Algebra – Part B	3.0
NSC 1	Introduction to the Natural Sciences	3.0
PHIL 1C	Ethics	3.0
PSY 1	General Psychology	3.0
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology	3.0
<b>Program Total</b>		<b>30.0</b>
<b>Total Prerequisites</b>		<b>42.0</b>
<b>Total for Degree</b>		<b>72.0</b>



## Institutional Accreditation

San Joaquin Valley College is accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), 985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda, CA 94501, (510)748-9001 (<https://www.wscuc.org>). The WSCUC is an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education.

## 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>.

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