



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Health & Human Services
Dental Programs
Certified Dental Assistant Program
DENA 140 - Preventive Approaches 1

COURSE OUTLINE

The calendar description is available on the web:
<http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/dena.html#DENA140>

Ω Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

Course Description

In this course, students acquire knowledge of the basic theory and concepts related to safe and effective oral health practices as a Certified Dental Assistant. The role of documenting health histories, assessing dental office emergencies, and obtaining client vital signs will be explored.

1. Instructor Information

- (a) **Instructor**
- (b) **Office hours**
- (c) **Location**
- (d) **Phone**
- (e) **E-mail**
- (f) **Website**

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- a) Describe the conditions, techniques, and oral hygiene aids used to maintain optimum oral hygiene.
- b) Describe formation and removal of tooth deposits.
- c) describe effective and appropriate methods for obtaining and documenting health history information within the dental practice.
- d) Apply critical thinking to problems and decision-making during dental office emergency situations.
- e) Describe the armamentarium and procedures for obtaining vital signs.

3. Required Materials

4. Course Content and Schedule

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

6. Grading System

- X Standard Grading System (GPA)
- Competency Based Grading System

GRADING SYSTEMS <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.php>

The following two grading systems are used at Camosun College:

1. Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-	a minimum grade of B- (70%) is required to continue in the CDA program	4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

2. Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes

Grade	Description
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Student Services or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

<http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.html>