



Dental Assisting

The Dental Assisting program is a one year certificate program. The program starts once a year every August. Students first turn in an application to CEI. As a small technical program there are a limited number of seats available for our Dental Assisting program. We accept students on a first applied first accepted basis and often there are more students interested in our program than we have spots available. **Once a student has completed their application they go on to the waitlist as of the completion date.** For an application to be complete, CEI's admissions office must receive the following items:

- Application for admission
- High School Transcript / GED, official copies
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended, official copies
- Placement Tests for English and Math (ACT/SAT within 5 years, GAIN, Compass within 2 years, Accuplacer and previous college coursework may also be accepted depending on institution accreditation and age of credit)

After students have completed an application to CEI, they will be eligible to turn in an application packet specifically for the Dental Assisting program. Students will be invited to an orientation several months prior to the start of the program, where we will discuss what the students can expect from the program and go over in detail, how to complete the application packet. Students who complete a packet will be selected for the program based off of their waitlist date. Students applying to CEI after the orientation will be considered as alternates for the program and will be asked to turn in an application packet as spots become available. The application packet for the Dental Assisting program can be found on the CEI website on the right hand side of this page

<http://www.cei.edu/programs-of-study/health-professions/dental-assisting> .

A message from the College:

Although every effort is made to prepare you for what to expect in the Dental Assisting program, such as financial investment, time investment, and stress load, there are things that are out of our control. Information provided on exterior program costs, such as book, scrubs, ect... is done as a courtesy to help students estimate their college costs. These external expenses can and do change often and without notice to the school or the students, and should be considered.

Unfortunately for some students life, circumstances interfere with their education. It is the responsibility of the student to follow/understand CEI's Policies & Procedures for such events. Once properly notified CEI will make every reasonable effort to help students succeed if they fall subject to unfortunate circumstances.

A message from the Program:

This program is considered full time, and is therefore very time consuming. It is not recommended that students work while enrolled in the professional portion of the program. If a student does work, it is recommended that they work part time or less and on weekends. Professionalism is a large part of this program and is promoted throughout. Personal appearance is expected to be appropriate, both in class and during professional work experience. Facial piercings and visible tattoos are not permitted while in class. They will have to be removed or covered while in class and at supervised work experience.

A message from current students:

“Financial aid does not cover summer classes, so be sure to budget your money to pay for the summer.”

“Knowing how to study and having good study habits in place before you start the program is very important.”

“There is a lot more testing than I had expected, be prepared to take tests often.”

Criminal Background checks:

Background checks are required to enter the professional portion of the program. If you have concerns about our background please contact Student Services, to discuss your situation.

This program is federal financial aid eligible.

Placement Scores:

Applicants must place into at least Math 100 Introduction to Algebra, and English 101 English Composition, to have math placement at CEI.

Below is a chart of common tests we can use for placement.

Placement Test	English Score	Math Score
Gain	871 or higher	670 or higher
Compass	68 or higher	45 or higher
ACT	18 or higher	16 or higher
SAT	451 or higher	391 or higher

Note: SAT scores have changed several times over the last few years. If you are unsure about your score please contact student services.

Tattoos and Piercings:

The school and potential employers recently agreed that tattoos are fine as long as they are not on the face, neck and are coverable.

Some local employers allow small stud nose rings but no mouth rings, other employers do not allow facial piercings at all



Having Tattoos and piercings will not necessarily keep you out of the Dental program, but may make it very difficult to find a job. If you have specific questions about tattoos or piercings, please contact us and we can look into your specific situation.

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Technical Certificate 40 Credits

Semester 1

- DTL 121 Orientation to Dental Assisting/Office Management 2
- DTL 124 Basic Dental Sciences & Medical Situations 3
- DTL 125 Dental Operatory Procedures 4
- DTL 126 Dental Radiology 4
- DTL 129 Dental Biology 2
- HCT 100 Introduction to Health Professions 2 (**do not take early**)

Semester 2

- CIS 101 Computer Information Systems 3 (**can be completed any time**)
- DTL 127 Dental Clinical 2
- DTL 128 Dental Specialties 4
- DTL 131 Dental Lab Materials and Expanded Functions 3
- ENG 101 English Composition 3 (**can be completed any time**)
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology 3 (**can be completed any time**)

Summer Term

- DTL 132 Supervised Work Experience 6

Dental Program Cost

Dental Assisting Semester 1 Courses		Dental Assisting Semester 2 Courses		Program Totals					
Course #	Course Title	# of Credits	Course #	Course Title	# of Credits				
DTL 121	Orientation to Dental Assisting	2	BOT 155	Orientation to Computer Technol	1	Semester 1 Tuition	\$1,232.00		
DTL 124	Basic Dental Sciences	3	DTL 127	Dental Clinical	2	Semester 1 Books	\$372.00		
DTL 125	Dental Operator Procedures	4	DTL 128	Dental Specialties	4	Semester 1 Fees	\$1,546.50		
DTL 126	Dental Radiology	4	DTL 131	Dental Lab Materials and...	3		\$3,150.50		
DTL 129	Dental Biology	2	ENG 101	English Composition	3	Semester 2 Tuition	\$1,232.00		
HCT 100	Intro to Health Professions	2	PSY 101	Intro to Psychology	3	Semester 2 Books	\$267.50		
		17			16	Semester 2 Fees	\$1,127.00		
	Tuition for semester 1 (full time)	\$1,232.00		Tuition for semester 2 (full time)	\$1,232.00		\$2,626.50		
Dental Assisting Semester 1 Books			Dental Assisting Semester 2 Books						
Course #	Book Title	Cost	Course #	Book Title	Cost				
DTL 121	Modern Dental Assisting Text...	\$68.00	BOT 155			Semester 3 Tuition	\$648.00		
DTL 121	Dental Dictionary	\$48.00	DTL 131	Expanded Functions Booklet	\$30.00	Semester 3 Books	\$0.00		
DTL 121	Fundamentals I: Infection...	\$25.00	ENG 101	Back to the Lake	\$54.25	Semester 3 Fees	\$927.00		
DTL 121	Fundamentals: Ethics...	\$21.75	PSY 101	Exploring Psychology in Mod...	\$183.25		\$1,575.00		
DTL 124	Dental Anatomy Coloring Book	\$39.00			\$267.50	Program Tuition	\$3,112.00		
DTL 124	Fundamentals I: Intro to Dental I	\$36.50	Dental Assisting Semester 2 Fees			Program Books	\$639.50		
DTL 125	Dental Materials Guide	\$92.50		Computer fee	\$15.00	Program Fees	\$3,600.50		
DTL 125	Dental Assisting Notes	\$41.25		SHIP Health Insurance	\$862.00		\$7,352.00		
		\$372.00		DTL 127 Lab fee	\$125.00				
	Dental Assisting Semester 1 Fees			DTL 128 Lab fee	\$125.00				
	IRIS fee	\$10.00			\$1,127.00				
	CPR	\$65.00	Dental Assisting Semester 3 Courses						
	Scrubs	\$60.00	Course #	Course Title	# of Credits				
	Lab Jacket (optional)	\$30.00	DTL 132	Supervised Work Experience	6				
	Goggles	\$10.00			6				
	Shoes	\$20.00							
	Drug and Alcohol Testing	\$40.00	Dental Assisting Semester 3 Books						
	Background Check	\$39.50	Course #	Book Title	Cost				
	SHIP Health Insurance	\$862.00		No book required at this time					
	Computer fee	\$15.00	Dental Assisting Semester 3 Fees						
	DTL 124 Lab Fee	\$125.00		Computer fee	\$15.00				
	DTL 125 Lab Fee	\$125.00		SHIP Health Insurance	\$862.00				
	DTL 125 Malpractice Insurance	\$20.00		DTL 132 Testing fee	\$35.00				
	DTL 126 Lab Fee	\$125.00		Dental Convention	\$15.00				
		\$1,546.50			\$927.00				

Is my CEI Health Care application Complete?

