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Greenville Technical College's highly regarded dental program produces dental assistants and hygienists who are well-prepared for the workforce, thanks to a combination of classroom instruction, technology that supports what they are learning, and hands-on experiences. In a simulation lab, students practice hand instrumentation on dental tooth models, which provide excellent experience prior to treating patients. Human patient simulators in the college's Simulation Technologies and Training Center help prepare graduates to handle the unexpected, as they practice responses to patient emergency situations.

DIPLOMA IN APPLIED SCIENCE

[Expanded Duty Dental Assisting](#)



EMPLOYMENT

[Dental Assistant](#)

The Expanded Duty Dental Assisting 12-month program prepares students to work as clinical assistants, receiving and preparing patients for dental treatment; assisting chairside, taking x-rays, making temporary crowns and pouring/trimming impressions for study models. The program also includes office management skills such as making appointments, maintaining patient records, filing, and client services.

Phase 1 includes most of the general education and related course work and may be completed at Greenville Technical College or at any articulating college.

Phase II Clinical Experience Spring and Summer semesters held off campus at Greenville County dental offices.

Weighted admission classes begin in the Fall Semester. Classes, labs and clinics are held on the Barton campus days and some courses are offered evenings.

Completion of the EDDA program leads to CDA certification from the Dental Assisting National Board. Dental Assisting students must pass all three parts of the Dental Assisting National Board while in the program.

CAREER EXPLORATION

Please visit the [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#) and/or [O*NET](#) for additional occupation research in the field.



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