

DA 65 Course Outline as of Fall 2011**CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: DA 65 Title: DENTAL SCIENCE
 Full Title: Dental Science
 Last Reviewed: 11/22/2021

Units	Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks		Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	35.00
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	5.00		Contact Total	87.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 70.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable
 Grading: Grade Only
 Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP
 Also Listed As:
 Formerly: DNA 64

Catalog Description:

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Recommended Preparation:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU GE:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:

IGETC:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
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CSU Transfer: Transferable	Effective:	Fall 1981	Inactive:
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UC Transfer:	Effective:		Inactive:
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CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

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

1. Demonstrate the technique utilizing the appropriate materials for performing coronal polishing.
2. Explain the indications and contraindications for coronal polish and discuss the rationale for selective polishing.
3. Describe the components of plaque, calculus and stains, and their formation and pattern of accumulation on the teeth.
4. Identify the key components in preventive dentistry and discuss the role of systemic and topical fluoride, sealants, diet, risk assessment and patient education.
5. Develop an individualized plaque control program utilizing appropriate patient education techniques, toothbrushing methods, interproximal cleaning aids, diet counseling, plaque indices and risk assessment.
6. Describe the purpose, types, and indications and contraindications of dental sealants.
7. Demonstrate for technique for fluoride varnish placement.
8. Demonstrate the technique for dental sealant placement utilizing proper safety measures and infection control procedures.
9. Discuss the etiology, prevention and transmission of dental caries.
10. List the risk factors for early childhood caries.
11. Demonstrate the use of a laser caries detection device.
12. Identify and describe the properties and uses of hydrocolloid impression materials and gypsum products.
13. Demonstrate the technique for taking alginate impression and bite registrations.
14. Demonstrate the technique for pouring and trimming study models.
15. Identify the purpose of a facebow transfer and describe the auxiliary's role in a facebow

transfer technique.

16. Identify types of digital impression systems and describe the auxiliary's role in taking digital impressions.

17. Describe the etiology, clinical features, and treatment for developmental disturbances; diseases of the teeth and soft tissues; eating disorders and malignant and benign neoplasms.

18. Identify a target group within the community and develop and present a disease prevention program.

19. Differentiate between normal and abnormal intraoral findings.

20. Perform a mouth mirror inspection of the oral cavity and record findings.

21. Identify and describe the actions and dental implications of commonly prescribed and Over The Counter (OTC) medications, utilizing drug reference material.

22. Discuss the dental implications of illegal drug use.

23. Identify the etiology of periodontal disease and its relationship to systemic health.

24. Describe the components of a periodontal exam and the role of the dental assistant in performing a comprehensive periodontal exam.

25. List the products, indications and contraindications for teeth-whitening.

26. Demonstrate the technique for making a custom whitening tray.

27. Describe the special needs dental patient with physical or mental limitations and the techniques used in providing dental treatment for these patients.

28. Describe the auxiliary's role in intraoral and extraoral photography.

29. Perform intraoral and extraoral photography using correct patient and operator positioning, camera settings and retractor and mirror placement.

Topics and Scope:

1. Coronal Polish:

1. Technique.

2. Plaque, calculus and stains.

3. Rationale for selective polishing.

2. Fluoride:

1. Technique.

2. Systemic and topical fluoride.

3. Sealants:

1. Technique.

2. Types.

3. Indications and contraindications.

4. Caries and Risk Assessment:

1. Etiology, prevention and transmission.

2. Early childhood caries.

3. Role of risk assessment.

4. Caries detection devices.

5. Patient Education and Plaque Control:

1. Key components in preventive dentistry.

2. Patient education techniques.

3. Plaque indices.

4. Toothbrushing methods.

5. Interproximal cleaning methods.

6. Risk assessment.

6. Nutrition and Eating Disorders:

1. Role of nutrition in preventive dentistry.

2. Oral implications of eating disorders.

7. Alginate and Gypsum Products:

1. Components and properties.
2. Techniques of alginate and gypsum products.
3. Bite registration.
4. Facebow transfer.
5. Digital impressions.
8. Community Health:
 1. Evaluation of need.
 2. Presentation.
9. Oral Pathology and oral Examination:
 1. Oral pathological conditions of hard and soft tissues.
 2. Oral examination.
10. Pharmacology:
 1. Action and dental implications of common OTC (over the counter) and prescription medications.
 2. Drug reference material.
 3. Dental implications of illegal drugs.
11. Periodontology:
 1. Periodontal examination.
 2. Etiology.
 3. Relationship to systemic health.
12. Teeth-Whitening:
 1. Products, indications and contraindications.
 2. Technique.
13. Special Needs Patient:
 1. Recognition.
 2. Dental needs.
 3. Treatment Techniques.
14. Intraoral and Extraoral Photography:
 1. Types of poses, camera settings, distances.
 2. Retraction and mirrors.

Assignment:

1. Alginate impressions -2 competencies.
2. Study models -2 competencies.
3. Sealant placement -3 competencies.
4. Coronal polish -3 competencies.
5. Fluoride application -1 competency.
6. Patient oral hygiene instruction -1 competency.
7. Bleaching trays -1 competency.
8. Oral inspection -1 competency.
9. Intraoral and extraoral photography -1 competency.
10. Community health project.
11. Drug reference information assignment.
12. Risk assessment assignment.
13. Reading assignments (20-40) pages a week.
14. 10-11 quizzes, midterm and final (written) examination.

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing
0 - 0%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework assignments: risk assessment assignment; community health project and drug reference information assignment.

Problem solving
15 - 30%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Lab competencies

Skill Demonstrations
30 - 40%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

10-11 quizzes, midterm and final (written) examination.

Exams
30 - 50%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category
0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Modern Dental Assisting, Bird, D., Robinson, D., 2011, 10th Ed. W. B. Saunders DVD included in textbook

Dental Materials - Clinical Applications for Dental Assistants and Dental Hygienists, Hatrick, C., Eakle, W. S., Bird, W., 2011, 2nd Ed., W. B. Saunders

Instructor prepared materials