

DA 66.2L Course Outline as of Fall 2025**CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: DA 66.2L Title: CLINICAL PRACTICE

Full Title: Clinical Practice

Last Reviewed: 8/26/2024

Units	Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks		Course Hours Total	
Maximum	5.00	Lecture Scheduled	0	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	0
Minimum	5.00	Lab Scheduled	0	9	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	15.50		Contact DHR	271.25
		Contact Total	15.50		Contact Total	271.25
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 0.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 271.25

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: DA 66.1B

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of DA 62 and DE 55A;

Concurrent Enrollment in DA 66.2

Recommended Preparation:**Limits on Enrollment:**

Acceptance to the Allied Dental Programs

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Transfer Credit: CSU;

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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:	Summer 2012	Inactive:
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UC Transfer:		Effective:		Inactive:
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CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate all of the tasks legally delegated to the RDA in both a general and a specialty practice, at the beginner level.
2. Identify and apply skills necessary to participate as a member of a dental team and contribute to the comfort and safety of patients.
3. Demonstrate ethical behavior and professionalism as defined in the American Dental Assistants Association (ADAA) Code of Ethics.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate ethics and professionalism as a member of the dental healthcare team.
2. Function as a chairside dental assistant in both general and specialty dental practices.
3. Perform instrument processing procedures.
4. Perform all RDA tasks under the appropriate level of supervision.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Ethics and Professionalism
 - A. Personal hygiene
 - B. Grooming
 - C. Program policies
 - D. ADAA Code of Ethics
- II. RDA Clinical Exam
 - A. Application process
 - B. Scope of exam
 - C. Preparation

III. Clinical Proficiency

A. General duties

B. RDA functions

1. Pit and fissure sealants

2. Coronal polishing

3. Radiation safety

C. Aseptic techniques

IV. Standards and Criteria for Evaluation of Clinical Performance

A. Self-evaluation

B. Externship site supervisor evaluation

C. Instructor evaluation of the student

Assignment:

1. Completion of required clinical hours (265 minimum, maximum 271.25)

2. Task completion sheet at end of each rotation (2) i.e. sealants, coronal polish and other RDA functions

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.

None

Problem solving
0 - 0%

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

Task completion sheet, sealants, coronal polish and other RDA functions.

Skill Demonstrations
60 - 70%

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

None

Exams
0 - 0%

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

Completion of all site evaluations in each clinical setting and completion of all clinical hours.

Other Category
30 - 40%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Modern Dental Assisting. 14th ed. Robinson, Debbie. Elsevier. 2023.

Instructor prepared materials