DEPT.  DEN  COURSE NUMBER:  1120

NUMBER OF CREDITS:  ____3__  Lecture:  ____2____  Lab:  ____1____

Course Title:
Chairside Dental Assisting I

Catalog Description:
This course will assist the student in attaining skills required to be a qualified chairside assistant. It includes instrument identification and transfer, treatment room equipment, charting of the oral structures, utilization of dental practice management software, patient communication, and oral evacuation and isolation.

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S)
Goal 1: Communication:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 2: Critical Thinking:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 3: Natural Sciences:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 7: Human Diversity:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 8: Global Perspective:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 10: People and the Environment:  ____ by meeting the following competencies:
### Prerequisites or Necessary Entry Skills/Knowledge:

**Prerequisites:** DEN 1110 - may be taken concurrently  
Students must meet one of the following placement measures:
- A score of 50 - 77 on test ACCUPLACER Classic Reading Comprehension  
- A score of 233 - 249 on test ACCUPLACER Next-Gen Reading Comprehension  
- A score of 16 - 17 on test ACT English  
- A score of 14 - 20 on test ACT Reading  
- ENGL 0090 – Essentials of Writing I

### Topics to be Covered

- Introduction to the profession of Dental Assisting  
- Treatment room equipment  
- Charting of the oral structures  
- Dental Practice Management software  
- Patient Communication  
- Oral evacuation and isolation  
- Dental hand and rotary instruments  
- Instrument transfer techniques

### Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify and describe hand and rotary instruments.
2. Describe treatment room equipment functions  
3. Demonstrate evacuation & isolation and techniques  
4. Demonstrate instrument grasps & transfers  
5. Demonstrate dental charting  
6. Demonstrate use of dental practice management software  
7. Apply principles of patient communication

### Is this course part of a transfer pathway:

- Yes  
- No [X]

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