



Dental Assisting A.S. Degree - Local GE

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. **Please see a counselor** to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2026-27

Total Units: 60.5-62.5

First Year

Semester 1

13-14 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE		Natural Sciences	3	SCC Local Area L5
GE		Ethnic Studies	3	SCC Local Area L6
GE	INDIS 313* / HCD 310	Life Development Skills	3	SCC Local Area L7B
GE		Physical Education	1	SCC Local Area L7A
GE	STAT C1000** / C1000H / MATH 300	Introduction to Statistics	3-4	SCC Local Area L2

*First-time college students who would like to participate in First-Year Experience (FYE) should take INDIS 313. All other students can take HCD 310 or speak with a counselor regarding their choices.

**If you don't place directly in STAT C1000 or MATH 300 (check your eServices account), you will need to take STAT 10/STAT C1000 or MATHS 95/MATH 300 combo course. STAT C1000, STAT C1000H, MATH 300 or higher meets this enrollment eligibility requirement.

Semester 2

13-14 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE		Oral Communication & Critical Thinking	3	SCC Local Area L1B
GE		Arts and Humanities	3	SCC Local Area L3
Maj	DAST 100	Introduction to Dental Assisting	1	
GE		Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	SCC Local Area L4

Legend

- (H) - Honors
- Elec - Elective
- GE - General Education
- Maj - Required Core
- ME - Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

1. **Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed within the Los Rios Community College District.**

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE	ENGL C1000* / 488 ^H / ESLW 340	Academic Reading and Writing	3-4	SCC Local Area L1A

*If you don't place directly in ENGL C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take ENGL 80/ENGL C1000 combo course.

+Prerequisite for ENGL 488: ESL 325 with a grade of "C" or better, or placement through the assessment process

+Prerequisite for ESLW 340: ESL 325 with a grade of "C" or better; or, for students not previously enrolled in ESL writing courses within the Los Rios district, placement through the Los Rios assessment process

Second Year

Semester 3

16.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	DAST 101	Biodental Science	2.5	
Maj	DAST 102	Chairside Assisting	6	
Maj	DAST 103	Patient Assessment	2.5	
Maj	DAST 104	Dental Anatomy and Morphology	3	
Maj	DAST 107	Dental Radiology	2.5	

Semester 4

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	DAST 111 ⁺	Dental Patient Education	1	
Maj	DAST 112 ⁺	Registered Dental Assistant Advanced Duties	3	
Maj	DAST 113 ⁺	Advanced Patient Assessment and Dental Imaging	2	
Maj	DAST 115 ⁺	Registered Dental Assistant Advanced Duty Certifications	2	
Maj	DAST 116 ⁺	Practice Management for the Dental Assistant	2	
Maj	DAST 118 ⁺	Board Preparation	2	
Maj	DAST 119 ⁺	Clinical Experience I	3	

+ Prerequisite for DAST 111, 112, 113, 115, 116: DAST 101, 102, 103, 104, 107, and 119 with grades of "C" or better

+ Prerequisite for DAST 118: DAST, 111, 112, 113, 115, 116, and 119 with grades of "C" or better

2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.

3. Completion of Sacramento City College's local AA/AS degree general education requirements – Area L1A and L1B; Area L2; Area L3; Area L4; Area L5; and Area L6; and Area L7A and L7B – with an overall 2.0 GPA. Students also have an option of completing the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) instead of the local general education pattern.

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Check your eServices account under "Academic Records" to determine your Math and English placements.

+ Prerequisite for DAST 119: DAST 101, 102, 103, 104, and 107 with grades of "C" or better

Summer Session

3 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	DAST 129 ⁺	Clinical Experience II	3	

+ Prerequisite for DAST 129: DAST 111, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, and 119 with grades of "C" or better

DAST 129 offered only in summer session.

Important Links

- [SCC General Counseling](#)
- [Dental Assisting](#)
- [Health & Health Profession Met a Majors](#)