Dental Assisting Technology

The Dental Assisting Technology Program trains students to become dental assisting professionals, to become involved citizens and to be an asset to and compliment the dental health team. The program stresses skills such as communication, critical thinking, and job readiness, including practice interviewing and preparing a dental assisting resume. A unique feature of this program is an onsite dental clinic where students gain experience working with dentists.

Program Requirements

- Have a high school diploma or GED/HiSET
- Be age 18 or older
- SCF DAT Program application
- Have current immunizations as required by SCF
- Documentation of current health insurance
- SKC application
- Gain CPR certification within the first quarter of study

Preference is given to Alaska Native and American Indian applicants.

SCF Vision:

A Native Community that enjoys physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness.

SCF Mission:

Working together with the Native Community to achieve wellness through health and related service

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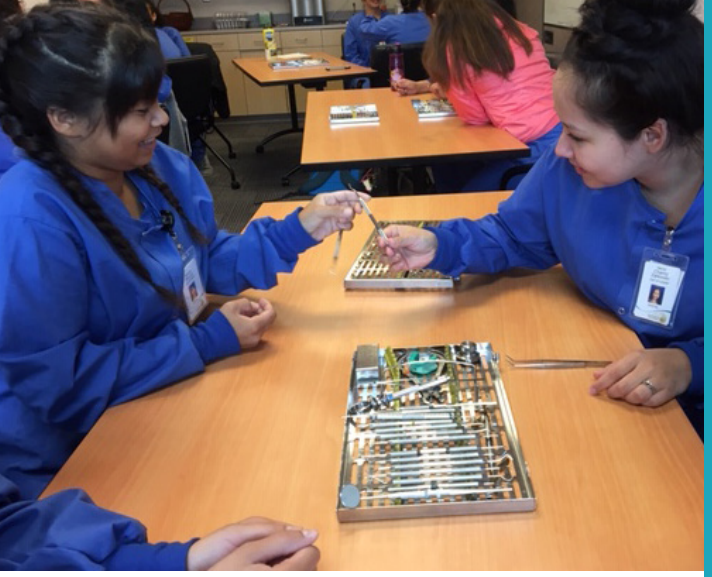

Southcentral Foundation Dental Assisting Technology Program is an off-campus program of Salish Kootenai College, located in Montana, conducted at SCF in Anchorage. Students may qualify for financial assistance through FASFA.

Students will earn college credits as well as develop the skills and knowledge to open career opportunities in dentistry. These include:

- Certificate of Completion in Dental Assisting Technology from SKC.
- An Indian Health Service Certificate in Radiology
- Eligibility for further employment at SCF Dental (position not guaranteed)

Upon completion of the certificate a student is **not** a certified dental assistant, but is eligible to take the Dental Assisting National Board exam to become a Certified Dental Assistant.

This five month program combines academic and clinical training on the Alaska Native Health Campus.

- Training in state-of-the-art dental clinics
- Gaining knowledge of dental disease and prevention
- Professional communication and customer service

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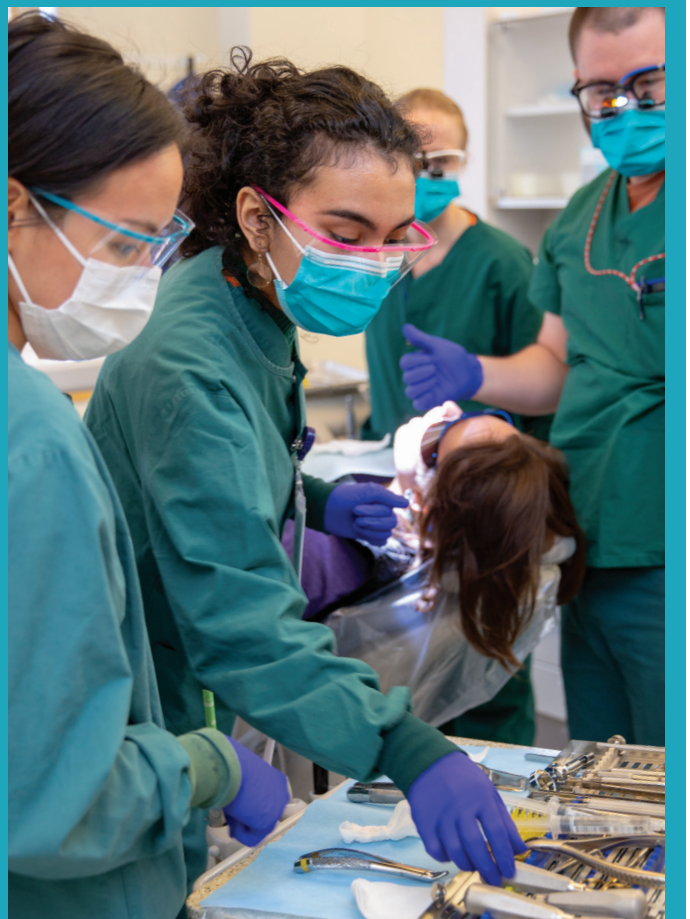

While in the program, students will study the following:

- Chairside assisting
- Dental anatomy
- Dental ethics
- Dental terminology
- Dental radiology
- Infection control
- Dental charting
- Dental office management

Students will be required to take online college courses such as Computer Literacy and Native American Studies.