# COURSE SYLLABUS

**Course Title:** Preventive Dentistry for the DA  
**Department:** Allied Health  
**Curriculum:** Dental Assisting Program  
**Date submitted:** March 2014 (14-88)

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**Course Descriptors:** Make certain that the course descriptors are consistent with college and Board of Trustees policies, and the current course numbering system.

**Course Code:** (eg. ACC 101)  
**Course Type:**  
A: Clinical  
B: Lab  
D: Distance Learning  
I: Individual/Independent  
L: Lecture  
N: Internship  
M: Seminar  
P: Practicum  
U: Studio  
X: Combined Lecture/Lab  
Y: Combined Lecture/Lab  
Z: Combined Lecture/Studio

**Elective Type:**  
AH: Art History  
E: English  
FA: Fine Arts  
G: General  
HI: History  
HU: Humanities  
LAS: Liberal Arts & Sciences  
FL: Foreign Language  
M: Math  
S: Science  
SS: Social Science

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Developmental:** (yes/no) No

**Contact Hours:**  
- Lecture: 45  
- Clinical: 0  
- Lab: 0  
- Studio: 0  
- Other: 0  
- TOTAL: 45

**Class Maximum:** 24  
**Semesters Offered:** F

**Ability Based Education (ABE) Statement**  
At Tunxis Community College students are assessed on the knowledge and skills they have learned. The faculty identified the General Education Abilities critical to students' success in their professional and personal lives. In every class, students are assessed on course abilities, sometimes program abilities, and, in most classes, at least one General Education Ability. Students will receive an evaluation of the degree to which they have demonstrated or not demonstrated that General Education Ability.

**Catalog Course Description:**  
An introduction to the prevention and management of oral diseases including nutrition and pharmacology as they relate to dental assisting procedures.

**Topical Outline:**  
1. Oral pathology (as it relates to dental diseases)  
2. Microbiology (as it relates to dental diseases)  
3. Nutrition  
4. Pharmacology to include  
   a. Drug requirements, agencies, and regulations  
   b. Drug prescriptions
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:

1. interpret and evaluate common drug prescriptions used in dentistry
2. identify the microbes responsible for dental disease
3. describe the etiology, signs, symptoms, treatment and prevention of oral disease
4. create a dietary plan
5. demonstrate an ability to understand basic nutritional information
6. identify drug requirements, agencies, and regulations
7. create a dietary plan that encourages oral health
8. explain properties of anesthetics
9. identify the relationship between nutrition and oral health.
10. recognize common drugs used in dentistry
11. distinguish drugs and agents used to treat dental-related infection
12. identify oral manifestations of systemic diseases
13. differentiate between normal flora and those which relate to dental disease

PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

Dental Assisting Certificate Program:

2. Health Promotion - Develops, implements and evaluates health promotion strategies directed toward helping individuals as well as diverse populations achieve oral wellness as well as overall health and awareness.

GENERAL EDUCATION: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

2. Critical Analysis/ Logical Thinking - Students will be able to organize, interpret, and evaluate evidence and ideas within and across disciplines; draw reasoned inferences and defensible conclusions; and solve problems and make decisions based on analytical processes.

Demonstrates: Identifies the issue(s); formulates an argument; explains and analyzes relationships clearly; draws reasonable inferences and conclusions that are logical and defensible; provides support by evaluating credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions.

Does Not Demonstrate: Identifies few or no issues; formulates an argument without significant focus; provides an unclear explanation of analysis and relationships; drawing few reasonable inferences and conclusions that are illogical and indefensible; provides little to no support using credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions.

Evaluation: List how the above outcomes will be assessed.

1. examinations
2. projects
3. presentations
### Instructional Resources:
List library (e.g. books, journals, online resources), technological (e.g. Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g. equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.

**Required:** [No special facilities are required. Or list what is required.]

**Desired:**

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