



Certificate of Competence & Certificate of Achievement

DENTAL ASSISTING

Program Admissions and Advising

Fall Admissions

Application Period:
Fall Admission
Dec 1 – June 30

Best Qualified Basis

**Next
Steps**

1. Attend Mandatory Information Session within one year of submitting your program application. Click [here](#) to register

2. Seek Advising
Virtual drop-in appointments by phone or Zoom. Sign-in to [Health Sciences Express Kiosk](#) during the below times.

Virtual Advising
Office Hours (No appointment needed)
Monday through Thursday
9:00-11:30am & 1:00-3:00pm
Closed on holidays

Phone/Email:
808-734-9224 /hlthsci@hawaii.edu

3. Meet Accuplacer qualifying criteria

4. Apply to Program by posted deadline
Applications must be submitted via email through UH File Drop.
<https://www.hawaii.edu/filedrop/>

This program does not qualify for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

**Health Careers Counseling
Center**

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Health Science Express Kiosk:
<https://www.star.hawaii.edu/virtual-kiosk/app.jsp#!/kiosk?unit=433>

Qualification for Program Entry & Selection Criteria

Acceptance into the Dental Assisting program is on a best-qualified basis. *Qualification* is based on (1) a qualifying ACCUPLACER WritePlacer score of 5 or higher *or* qualification for ENG 100 *and* (2) participation in a scheduled personal advising session.

Applications are located online in [Dental Assisting Program "Forms & Documents"](#) on the KCC website. Selection is based on total qualifying scores in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached. Students must complete all qualifying requirements by the application deadline.

Students on probation, suspension or having a GPA below 2.0 at KCC are not eligible to apply. Priority selection is given to Hawai'i State residents; nonresidents will be considered after all qualified residents have been accommodated per Board of Regents Policy 5.211. A grade of "C" or higher must be maintained in all program requirements to continue in the programs. Transfer credit from accredited institutions requires KCC Department and registrar approval.

Program Qualification Requirement	Accuplacer Score or course	Sem/Yr Completed	Institution	Grade
ACCUPLACER WritePlacer score of 5 or higher or equivalent coursework <i>or</i> qualification for ENG 100				

Dental Assisting Program <https://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/programs/health/health-sciences/dent/>

Certification: Upon completion of the one-year Certificate of Achievement program, graduates are eligible to take the Dental Assisting National Board's Certified Dental Assistant exam.

The program in dental assisting is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) [and has been granted the accreditation status of "approval *with* reporting requirements". The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Commission's web address is: <http://www.ada.org/coda>.

Program Cost Estimate

	Certificate of Competence Dental Assisting	Certificate of Achievement
	Fall semester	Spring semester
Tuition		
Resident: <i># credits x \$131.00</i>	Resident 15 x \$131.00= \$1,965.00	Resident 13 x \$131.00= \$1,703.00
Non-Resident: <i># credits x \$345.00</i>	Non- Resident 15 x \$345.00= \$5,175.00	Non- Resident 13 x \$345.00= \$4,485.00
KCC student activity & publication fees	\$70	\$70
Professional Fees	\$350	\$350
Liability Insurance	\$15	-
Uniform & Shoes	\$180	\$180
Textbooks	\$315	\$170
Total per semester	Resident \$2,895.00 Non-Resident \$6,105.00	Resident \$2,473.00 Non-Resident \$5,255.00
Total Cost for Program	Total For Certificate of Competence: Resident: \$2,895.00 Non-Resident: \$6,105.00	Total For Certificate of Achievement: Resident: \$5,368.00 Non-Resident: \$11,360.00

Tuition and all fees listed above are estimated and maybe subject to change by the University. For official tuition schedules please refer to the [UH Executive Policy E6.201](#).

Textbook costs may vary depending on the semester and courses enrolled.

This program does not currently qualify for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) at this time, however students can apply for alternative educational loans.