

# DAT 100: Introduction to Dental Assisting

This course is designed to provide an introduction to the field of dentistry. Topics include history of dentistry, dental equipment, dental auxiliaries, psychology as it applies to dentistry, professional organizations, certification requirements, legal and ethical considerations, work ethics, and communication skills. Emphasis is placed on the Alabama Dental Practice Act and OSHA Standards. Upon completion, students should be able to discuss basic aspects of dentistry.

**Credits:** 2

**Prerequisites:**

Admission to DAT program, permission of instructor, appropriate grade.