## Course Area / Minimum Hours

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## Employment Outlook

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the occupation of Dental Assisting is projected to grow much faster than the average of all occupations through 2022 — an employment increase of 25%.

*These national statistics are not geographically assigned. For more information, please see IBMC’s Career Services Department.

## Career Potential

The majority of Dental Assistants work in dental offices, though some may be employed by public healthcare facilities, oral care facilities, or specialty practices. These practices include oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, dentofacial orthopedics, endodontic, periodontics, prosthodontics and pediatric dentistry clinics.

## Program Objective

The students will be able to describe and identify caries and cavity classifications, tooth morphology, cavity preparations, properties of amalgam, various esthetic restorative materials and procedures.

During labs, the students will demonstrate proficiency in the placement of bases and liners, etching, bonding, composite resin, and amalgam utilizing two- and four-handed dentistry. Students must also show proficiency in the carving and/or finishing of restorations.

Each student is required to identify deficiencies in restorations and be able to describe what action(s) need to be taken to correct the deficiency. Upon completion of a written and comprehensive competency evaluation, the student will be eligible to perform expanded restorative skills under the supervision of a dentist.