

College of San Mateo
Official Course Outline

1. **COURSE ID:** DENT 790 **TITLE:** Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) Practical Review
Units: 0.5 units **Hours/Semester:** 8.0-9.0 Lecture hours
Method of Grading: P/NP Only
Prerequisite: Student that graduated from the CSM dental assisting program in the previous (same year) Spring
2. **COURSE DESIGNATION:**
Transfer credit: none
3. **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**
Catalog Description:
This one-day course will prepare the student to perform each Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) function required in the State of California Practical Exam to the stated criteria of the Dental Board of California.
4. **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) (SLO'S):**
Upon successful completion of this course, a student will meet the following outcomes:
 1. Identify practical exam procedures including; admissions, required materials, time requirements, equipment rental, grading and results
 2. Perform each Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) function according to the stated criteria in the State of California Practical Exam.
5. **SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:
 1. Perform each Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) function required in the State of California Practical Exam to the stated criteria of the Dental Board of California.
 2. I. The RDA practical Exam overview II. Placement of a temporary restoration Class II III. Fabrication of a temporary crown IV. Cementation of a temporary crown
6. **COURSE CONTENT:**
Lecture Content:
Note: number of hours listed is an approximate time spent on each topic
 - I. The RDA practical Exam overview 2 hour
 - a) Activate application process procedure
 - b) admissions, procedures, materials,
 - c) general exam procedures
 - d) grading criteria
 - e) equipment rental
 - f) fees
 - II. Placement of a temporary restoration 2 hours
 - a) Mechanical retainer, matrix band and wedge
 - b) Criteria for placement of a mechanical retainer, matrix band and wedge
 - c) Zinc Oxide Eugenol dental cement.
 - d) Class II temporary sedative restoration
 - e) Criteria (COMDA) for placement of a Class II temporary sedative restoration
 - III. Fabrication of a temporary crown 3 hours
 - a) Temporary crown
 - b) Criteria (COMDA) for a temporary crown
 - c) Fabrication of a temporary crown using a non-monomer material
 - IV. Cementation of temporary crown 1 hour
 - a) Demonstrate proper mixing of temporary cement
 - b) Demonstrate loading and seating the temporary crown
 - c) Demonstrate proper technique to remove the cement on the temporary crown
7. **REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:**
Typical methods of instruction may include:
 - A. Lecture
 - B. Lab

- C. Activity
- D. Observation and Demonstration

8. REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative assignments in this course may include, but are not limited to the following:

Writing Assignments:

Reflective paper on the process and experience of taking a state board exam.

Reading Assignments:

Handout on the protocol of taking a state board exam.

Other Outside Assignments:

None

To be Arranged Assignments:

None

9. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF EVALUATION

Representative methods of evaluation may include:

A. Exams/Tests

B. Simulation

C. A Mock Board Exam - the purpose is to give the student a simulated experience that will be similar to the practical portion of the state board examination. The student will complete the two functions listed in the objectives on typodont during the time allowed by the state dental board.

10. REPRESENTATIVE TEXT(S):

Other:

A. Instructor Handouts

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