

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College  
Course Content Summary**

**Course Prefix and Number: DNA 140**

**Credits: 5**

**Course Title: Externship**

**Course Description (including lecture hours, lab hours, total contacts)**

Exposes students to the fast pace of a dental practice while they perform support services with an established team. Lecture 1 hour. Laboratory 12 hours. Total 13 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

DNA 140 prepares students to enter the workforce by giving them hands-on experience before completing the program.

**Course Prerequisites/Corequisites**

Prerequisites: DNA 114 and DNA 190

Corequisites: DNA 119, 120, and 134

**Course Objectives**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

Demonstrate dental assisting skills and knowledge with various types of patients

**Major Topics to be Included**

- a. Chairside Assisting
- b. Dental Materials Application
- c. Patient Contact and Management
- d. Instrument Transfer
- e. High Velocity Evacuation
- f. Coronal Polishing
- g. Oral Hygiene Instruction
- h. Disinfection and Sterilization Process
- i. Film Processing

**Effective Date of Course Content Summary (Month, Date Year):** February 12, 2009