Not scared of dentists? As a Dental Assistant you will support dentists in treating patients and will therefore be registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

You will like this if you will study at:

- You have an interest in the field of dentistry and work well with others.

You will study for:

- Tygerberg Campus
- One year, full-time

Your subjects

First year (one year only)

• Dental Assisting Practical
• Dental Assisting Theory
• Dental Practice Management
• Oral Anatomy and Pathology
• Experiential Training

Your on-the-job training

As a student, you will work with dental students currently studying at the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of the Western Cape. This hands-on experience enables you to make a smooth transition from the academic environment to the world of employment. In addition to this, you have to spend a prescribed number of days in private dental practices.

You will be required to do job shadowing for 8 hours at a dental practice prior to the interview. You must also submit proof of your inoculation against Hepatitis B at the time of registration.

National Senior Certificate (NSC) or equivalent qualification:

• Home Language (4)
• First Additional Language (3)
• English (3)
• Mathematics (2) or Mathematical literacy (3)
• Life sciences (3)

Additional minimum requirements

Minimum admissions requirements

What you need

- APS as selection criteria once your minimum admission requirements are satisfied. You also have to score a minimum of 25 on the APS.

Your future self

Future industries

- Dental practices
- Hospitals
- Dental Clinics

*International demand for trained dental assistants is increasing with a number of alumni working abroad.

Your to apply

1. Choose a qualification
2. Complete an application form
3. Gather your documents (i.e. certified copies less than three months old)
4. Fill in the application form
5. Pay the application fee
6. Hand deliver or post your form and certified copies of documents to our District Six, Bellville, Mowbray, or Wellington Campuses (Admin buildings)
7. Follow-up and get your admission status via the online application tracking system by visiting www.cput.ac.za/study/track

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