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 have an interest in the field of dentistry and work well with others.
- Tygerberg Campus
- One year, full-time

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.

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.

What you need

Minimum Admissions Requirements

- 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)

The department utilizes an Admission Point Score (APS) as selection criteria once your minimum admission requirements are satisfied. You also have to score a minimum of 25 on the APS.

Additional Minimum Requirements

- 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.

How to apply

Manual Applications

Do you qualify to apply manually?

Please note:

- A non-refundable application fee will be applicable.
- Manual applications are only available to the following persons:
  - Applicants applying for RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning)
  - Non-South African citizens
  - South-African citizens with international qualifications
  - Applicants with permanent residence in South Africa
  - Refugees with awaer temporary permit/formal recognition of refugee status in the RSA

Online Applications

Do you qualify to apply online?

The following persons may only apply online, i.e. no manual applications will be allowed:

- South African citizens with South African qualifications
- Returning students with a break in studies (more than 1-year break)

Online Applications are free

To apply online:

1. Choose your qualification by consulting this brochure or the website
2. Gather your documents (i.e. certified copies less than three months old)
3. Download the online application guide available on our website for information on how to apply online
4. Complete your application online by visiting www.cput.ac.za/study/apply
5. 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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