

Lakeview Dental Assisting
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About job opportunities for dental assistants:

The Job opportunities for trained dental assistants are quite good in today's marketplace. While no one can guarantee job placement, the dental profession is currently facing a shortage of trained assistants. If one examines the want ads there are many for Dental Assistants.

Following your training in this ten-week course, you will have the confidence and skills necessary to apply for these positions. Along with your diploma, we will give you a summary of your training experience.

Part of your training will involve the *Job Interview* itself, how to prepare for it, how to dress, what to say, etc. So often jobs are lost during the first five minutes of the interview. We feel it is important to train you in this area so that you will **stand out from the rest** of those competing for that position.

Additionally, many doctors call our office asking for a list of our recent student graduates. We also inform our current class of any doctors needing Dental Assistants so that they may apply directly for the position. Many of our students have obtained jobs as dental assistants even before finishing the course.

The starting pay scale for experienced dental assistants is considerably higher than non-experienced and most offices will not even consider anyone with no experience. We are often asked what a graduate from our course can expect to make in their first job. The answer depends on where the office is. Offices in a metropolitan area generally pay higher salaries than those in suburban areas. Graduates of our course can expect to start well above the pay scale of those with no experience, but less than experienced assistants. As your experience and skills develop with time on the job, your pay scale should also rise.

More Jobs on the Cutting Edge

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Finding a job can be tough -- especially when you're not looking for one that's in-demand. But there are some jobs that are so hot, and growing so quickly, that employers are straining to find qualified candidates to fill them.

As the American population grows older and more dependent on technology, the number of medical and computer-related jobs is escalating rapidly to keep pace with demand. According to the most recent data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), 15 of the 30 fastest-growing jobs in the United States are in healthcare, and another seven are computer-related.

Here is a list of some of the fastest-growing jobs in the United States, where qualified applicants, not the employers, have the edge -- and the vital facts about each -- from the BLS's Occupational Outlook Handbook:

Medical Records Clerks

What they do: Medical records and health information technicians typically work in a doctor's office. They make sure a patient's medical chart is complete and accurate and input the data into a computer.

What you need: Those entering the field usually have an associate's degree from a community or junior college and have taken coursework including medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, legal aspects of health information, coding, and abstraction of data and statistics.

What it pays: Median annual earnings are \$23,890.

Preschool Teachers

What they do: Preschool teachers capitalize on children's play to further language and vocabulary development, improve social skills, and introduce science and math concepts to children younger than kindergarten age.

What you need: Some states require a bachelor's degree in early childhood education; others require an associate's degree, and still others require certification by a nationally recognized authority. The Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, the most common type of certification, requires a mix of classroom training and experience working with children, along with an independent assessment of an individual's competence.

What it pays: Median earnings are \$19,270.

Dental Assistants

What they do: Dental assistants perform a variety of patient care, office and laboratory duties and work chairside as dentists examine and treat patients.

What you need: Most assistants learn their skills on the job, although an increasing number are trained in dental-assisting programs, which usually take one year or less to complete.

What it pays: Earnings average about \$13.10 per hour.