

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:

January 1994 January 2022

REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE TO BE REVIEWED (six years after UEC approval):

April 2027

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: DENT 135		Number of Credits: 2.5				
Course Full Title: Dental Radiography Course Short Title: Dental Radiography						
Faculty: Faculty of Health Sciences		Department: Health Studies				
Calendar Description:						
The basics of radiation biology, concepts of x-ray physics, principles of x-ray radiography, safety precautions, quality assurance, and the operation of the dental x-ray unit are examined. Direct and indirect imaging systems, the application of intra and extra-oral technologies, along with various techniques are introduced. Students will learn how to produce images using direct and indirect imaging systems at a manikin level that includes the proper storage and transfer of images.						
Prerequisites (or NONE):	DENT 130,	DENT 131, DE	NT 132, [DENT 134, DENT 136, DI	ENT 137, and DENT 150.	
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):						
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):						
Antirequisite Courses (Cannot be taken for additional credit.) Former course code/number: Cross-listed with:			Special Topics (Double-click on boxes to select.) This course is offered with different topics: ⊠ No □ Yes (If yes, topic will be recorded when offered.)			
Dual-listed with:			Independent Study			
Equivalent course(s):			If offered as an Independent Study course, this course may			
(If offered in the previous five years, antirequisite course(s) will be included in the calendar description as a note that students with credit for the antirequisite course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.)			be repeated for further credit: <i>(If yes, topic will be recorded.)</i> ⊠ No □ Yes, repeat(s) □ Yes, no limit			
Turniant Otwasture of Instructional Hours			Transfer Credit Transfer credit already exists: (See <u>bctransferguide.ca</u> .) ⊠ No □ Yes			
Typical Structure of Instructional Hours						
Lecture/seminar hours Tutorials/workshops	42	Submit outline for (re)articulation:				
Supervised laboratory hours			\boxtimes No \square Yes (If yes, fill in transfer credit form.)			
Experiential (field experience, practicum, internship, etc						
Supervised online activities)	Grading System			
Other contact hours:						
	Total hours	s 42		um enrolment (for inforr		
Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture	hours: 🛛 N	o 🗌 Yes	Expected Frequency of Course Offerings: Winter Only (Every semester, Fall only, annually, etc.)			
Director: Cindy Schultz				Date approved:	February 2021	
Faculty Council approval				Date approved:	March 1, 2021	
Dean: Alastair Hodges				Date approved:	March 1, 2021	
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)				Date of posting:	April 9, 2021	
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval			Date of meeting:	April 23, 2021		

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Explain the history and current application of radiation in dentistry.
- Explain the biological effects of radiation exposure.
- Describe components of the x-ray machine and their functions.
- Describe composition and components of various types of receptors.
- Demonstrate principles of radiation safety and protection.
- Demonstrate proper infection control, care, handling of films and digital equipment.
- Apply principles of extraoral and intra-oral radiographic techniques.
- Produce diagnostic radiographic images using direct and indirect imaging systems.
- Identify common anatomical landmarks and dental anomalies of radiographic images.
- Critique radiographic images for technical quality, accuracy and diagnostic acceptability.
- Identify dental radiography exposure, technique errors and corrective measures.
- Mount, label and properly store/save radiographic images.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

Typical Instructional Methods

Lecture, group work, case studies, online videos, demonstrations, clinical application and hybrid course delivery.

NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (If more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form.)

		Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year
	1.	lannucci and Howerto	Dental Radiography Principles and Techniques	\boxtimes	Elsevier, Saunders	2017
		lannucci and Howerto	Dental Radiography Principles and Techniques Workbook	\boxtimes	Elsevier, Saunders	2017
	3.	Bird, D.L. and Robinson, D.S.	Modern Dental Assisting	\boxtimes	Elsevier, Saunders	2021
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Required Additional Supplies and Materials

Clinic scrubs, lab coat, duty shoes, name tag and protective eyewear, and face shields.

Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting

Final exam:	50%	Assignments:	15%	Field experience:	%	Portfolio:	%
Midterm exam:	%	Project:	%	Practicum:	%	Other:	%
Quizzes/tests:	10%	Rad Lab work Ap Assignments:	olication 25%	Shop work:	%	Total:	100%

Details (if necessary): The application of course outcomes at a patient level are implemented and assessed in the DENT 154 and DENT 162 program clinical courses.

Typical Course Content and Topics

- Radiation Physics
 - Atomic structure
 - Ionizing radiation
 - X-ray production
 - Properties of x-rays

Characteristics of Radiographic Images

- KvP and mA ranges
- X-ray beam quantity and amperage
- Image density and contrast
- Image definition and detail
- Principles of shadow casting
- Geometric unsharpness

Radiation Biology

- Radiation injury
- Radiation exposure risks
- Risk/benefit of dental radiographs

Dental Radiographer Basics

- Purpose of radiographs
- Patient management
- Legal considerations
- Quality assurance
- Infection Control

Radiation Protection

- Patient protection
- Operator protection
- Radiation monitoring
- Radiation exposure guidelines

Equipment and Supplies

- X-ray machine components and function
- Intra-oral and extra-oral machines
- Dental x-ray film holders and devices
- Types of film
- Composition and components of intra-oral film
- Radiographic film/image storage
- Radiographic equipment, processing and maintenance

Intra Oral Radiographic Techniques

- Bitewing technique
- Paralleling technique
- Bisecting technique
- Occlusal techniques and localized techniques
- Exposure and technique errors
- Normal anatomy and mounting
- Diagnostic criteria for intraoral images
- Guidelines for radiographic image prescriptions

Extra Oral Radiography Techniques

- Panoramic radiography
- Cephalometric radiography
- Digital radiography and 3D imaging
- CBCT digital images