

## Employment Opportunities

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- Research
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- Pursue Dentistry

## DENTAL TECHNOLOGIST



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# Dental Technologist

A dental technologist renders technical services such as mechanical construction of artificial denture and other oral devices.

## Functions

- Design, fabricate or repair dental devices including complete or partial dentures, orthodontic appliances, crowns, fixed partial dentures, inlays, onlays, clasps and bands, and prosthetic implants.
- Consults with dentists or other specialists on complicated dental cases
- Trains and supervises dental technicians and dental laboratory assistants in fabricating dentures and other dental devices
- Performs administrative functions for the dental laboratory

- Assists the dentist by taking diagnostic aids that will help the dentist in arriving at a diagnosis. This may include, taking of periapical and panoramic radiographs, making impressions, checking tooth vitality
- Assists dental specialists
- Promotes oral hygiene education and instruction to reinforce a behavioral modification in patients for self performance of oral hygiene measure

## Skills and Competencies

- Ability to follow dentist's laboratory prescriptions properly
- Excellent manual skills
- Good visual acuity
- Excellent judgment regarding space and shape
- Good business sense and self discipline
- Good motivational skills

## Basic Educational Requirement

To become a dental technologist, a 2 year Diploma in Dental Technology from a government recognized school under a College of Dentistry and a six months on-the-job training in a registered/ accredited dental laboratory are required. Passing the Dental Technologists Licensure Examination given by the Professional Regulation Commission is necessary to make a dental technologist eligible to practice his profession in the country under the supervision of a licensed dentist.

## Cost of Education

Cost of education may range from P25,000 – P35,000 per semester in private schools and universities.