

Self-Study
Tenure Track – Year 2

I. Responses to Recommendations of Previous Reviews

My previous performance review was conducted last Fall 2022, when I was an LTT. There were no recommendations given.

II. Review Cycle History

Coming into the 2023 fall semester, I have taken on more of a lead instructor role in DAST 102 Chairside Lab, DAST 101 Infection Control Lab, and DAST 102 Chairside Pre-Clinic, than I previously did last Fall (2022) semester. I do not have my anticipated co-teacher due to unseen circumstances and therefore, I am responsible for creating game plans for labs and clinics that are effective and easy for fill-in-faculty to use, to help me utilize lab times proficiently, to best serve the students and their learning opportunities.

I am still teaching two DAST 107 Radiology labs. That has not changed since the last review.

III. Professional Activities

- A. Sacramento District Dental Society mid-winter convention, February 2023
- B. Sacramento City College Fall '22, Spring '23, and Fall '23 Convocation.
- C. 30 hours of teaching methodology.
- D. 12+ credits of continuing education dental courses per year, both live courses and online courses, including blood-borne pathogen training.
- E. CPR certification, June 2023
- F. Post-Convocation Equity Energizer (T4E) professional development course, August 2023
- G. New Faculty Academy, Fall 2023
- H. Foundations of Canvas Course Design, August 2022.

IV. Service

- A. Service to your department/area
 - 1. Assisted with Program Review and Unit Planning
 - 2. Created various demonstrations, activities, and visuals to help students achieve SLO's
- B. Service to the college/district
 - 1. Participated in the "Practice Wellness" event to share information about our clinic and Dental programs.
 - 2. Gave a presentation to a 1st year nutrition class to share information about our clinic and Dental programs.
- C. Service to the community
 - 1. Helped place students in dental offices in need of skilled dental assistants, so that they may be equipped to serve patients and the community. Some of these placements were in clinics, where underserved individuals often seek care.

V. Efforts Taken to Stay Current

- A. Continue with 12+ credits of continuing education dental courses per year.
- B. Attend the Sacramento District Dental Society mid-winter convention, February 8 & 9, 2023.
- C. Attend multiple Professional Development opportunities at Sacramento City College.
- D. Continue to be active in the community by serving at Free- Dental days put on by various organizations, such as CDA cares.
- E. Participate on a dental advisory board, to allow us stay current within the dental community as well as grow our presence and help us close the gaps that we and our students are experiencing.

VI. Future Directions

- A. *Assessment:*
 - 1. Coming into an instructor role seemed complimentary to my previous responsibilities of training new employees in the dental office. I had insight on

different learning styles because everyone came in with different experiences. This was similar to my first-year teaching, only increased by 33 individuals to teach at one time. One of my strengths would be my drive to reach every student with their own, unique learning style. Again, acknowledging that every student is different, I enjoy the opportunity of having to figure out how to teach in a way that the students can understand the content and be proficient in their skills. I have been working on material and activities for labs, with the intent that it will be helpful to students who are struggling to understand. My weakness is simply that I am a new teacher and I have so much room for improvement and growth. Last year, I noted that my demos were probably not as thorough as they could have been. Although I often trained in the dental office, teaching dentistry from scratch was new, and I had to remind myself of where the students were starting from. This year I have been mindful of this and have worked at strengthening my demos and explanations. So far it seems effective at helping the students perform the necessary clinical skills they will need in the dental community.

B. *Goals:*

1. My future goals are to continue to progress on every aspect of my teaching, such as instruction, demos, classroom management, and class development. I am excited to have the opportunity to begin again and use what I learned last year about myself as an instructor and improve on it. I want to do my best for the students and their success and therefore, as I mentioned, I am taking the time to strengthen my demos and explanations so that the students can get the information they need to succeed in class and in a clinical setting.
2. I would like to take additional courses and participate in professional development opportunities that will help strengthen my instruction and help me support the students to the best of my ability. I have a lot to learn and reflect upon, and my goal is to continue to strengthen my weaknesses, become more diverse in my teaching, and create an educational environment where every student sees their own ability to succeed and achieve whatever goal they may have for themselves. Dentistry on its own is complex, but teaching it adds another layer of complexity. Getting to serve students with different experiences, backgrounds, and learning styles motivates me to meet their needs and to be able to do that, I need to equip myself with the right tools.
3. I also have a goal to be more active at Sacramento City College and the community in letting them know about our Dental Assisting program and our on campus dental clinic. Last year, many of my students brought patients in who had never been to the dentist or couldn't afford dental care. Being able to offer resources to the patients and to the students is an invaluable part of my job. My department is in the process of putting together a valuable advisory board to help us not only stay current in the dental world, but to acknowledge the gaps the dental world is facing, such as diversity, inclusion, and accessibility. The goal, and my personal goal, is to be active in these conversations so that we can be

proactive in closing the gaps and meet the needs of our students, their families, and the community.

4. I would like to participate in more volunteer opportunities that allow me to be a part of providing no cost dental care to the community and those in need.

C. Resources:

1. Sacramento City College offers such a great number of resources for me to utilize with canvas, SLOs, diversity and equity training, and many others that will help me enhance my instruction and presence in the classroom.

VII. Other

None

VIII. Attachments

None