CDE 814 PATIENTS, DENTISTS AND SOCIETY I.  
This course aims to orient the student to the place health and health professions play in modern cultures. Recognition of their own social assumptions and values and those of persons of different backgrounds is encouraged. Understanding, predicting, and changing dental patient behavior from a social standpoint is emphasized. (Same as BSC 814.)

*CDE 815 FUNDAMENTALS OF DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH.  
Fundamentals of Dental Public Health is a first-year course designed to increase student knowledge of concepts of dental public health and dental epidemiology that are used in population based (community) health care. Oral health problems in Kentucky and the U.S. will be studied. Students will participate in external public service activities during laboratory sessions. Lecture, 23 hours; laboratory, 28 hours.

CDE 824 COMMUNICATION IN THE DENTAL HEALTH CARE SETTING.  
This course aims to improve the student’s ability to communicate with patients and the public in an empathetic and professional manner. Methods of obtaining necessary health information from all types of patients are taught. Prereq: Second year standing in the College of Dentistry. (Same as BSC 824.)

CDE 830 DENTAL PRACTICE MANAGEMENT I.  
This course is designed to assist the third-year student in examining and formulating attitudes and values regarding current issues in the dental profession and the health care system. A clinical experience introducing students to use of a dental assistant is also included. Students are provided an opportunity to begin a process of career planning by examining how current issues may affect career options and selections in the future prior to a summer dental practice field experience. Lecture, 36 hours; clinic, 15 hours. Prereq: Third-year standing in the College of Dentistry.

CDE 841 DENTAL PRACTICE FIELD EXPERIENCE.  
Students are provided a full-time, off-campus assignment to a dental practice environment for a period of 6-10 weeks. Students spend an average of 32 hours each week participating in practice management and patient treatment activities under the supervision of a dentist. Approximately eight hours a week are spent in career plan development and in study of the community or region, particularly its health care delivery system and the role of dentistry in that system. Prereq: CDE 830.

CDE 844 DENTAL PRACTICE MANAGEMENT II.  
This course is primarily designed to give the student dentists, prior to graduation, practical, useful knowledge on establishing and maintaining a private dental practice. The course will be presented in an active learning format. Course sessions and activities will also include special sessions designed to introduce students to the current environment of dental practice, to organized dentistry in Kentucky, to the College’s Alumni Association and to new developments and continuing education in the dental profession. Lecture 69 hours. Prereq: CDE 830 or consent of course director.