

GERETY ORTHODONTIC SEMINARS



PRESENTS
**ORTHODONTIC TRAINING
FOR DENTAL AUXILIARIES**
Straight-Wire Mechanics



Instruction by:
Dr. Damon Huffman



Basic Assistant Course
May 2-3, 2025

Advanced Assistant Course
To Be Determined



Location:
Dallas, TX

ABOUT THE BASIC ASSISTANT COURSE

The basic course is specifically designed to teach the fundamentals of orthodontics to chair-side auxiliaries. No experience is necessary to succeed in this course and there are no orthodontic prerequisites. This is a two-day course featuring lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on exercises. Our instructor, Dr. Damon Huffman, will provide your staff with a clear understanding of orthodontics beginning with patient records, to include a clinical photography session for the auxiliaries to learn to produce quality images for orthodontic documentation.

After presenting proper record taking and administrative procedures to include financial agreements and insurance procedures, we will teach the participants the importance of bracket placement when using the Straight-Wire Appliance through a clinical project placing direct bond brackets on anatomical teeth. The Saturday session will be all clinical projects with the participants learning the archwire system and all applicable components and forces encountered through the .018 SS archwire.

The two-day basic course cost is \$650 and includes a course manual and the materials necessary to complete the hands-on projects. A complete list of instruments required for project participation will be provided at registration.

Due to the increased usage of third party cephalometric tracing services and digital tracing software, the clinical portion of cephalometric tracing has been removed from the basic program.



BASIC ASSISTANT COURSE OUTLINE

- Patient records, standard of care, radiographs, impressions and models, photography, clinical exam, and evaluation
- Insurance procedures, patient management forms, informed consent, financial options
- Orthodontic Photography – **Hands-On**
- Principles and mechanics of the straight-wire bracket
- Understanding proper bracket placement and the principles of movement
- Direct bond bracketing of anatomical teeth – **Hands-On**
- Placement of separators, sizing and cementing molar bands, bracket placement aids, cements and materials, patient management, and post operative procedures
- Archwire ligation, rotation wedges, and open coil spring – **Hands-On**
- Scheduling and practice management, ordering orthodontic supplies, operatory armamentarium, and set-up

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* Register 4 assistants
** When you call for

REGISTRATION



Course	Basic Assistant Course	Dates	May 2-3, 2025
CE Credits	13 credit hours for a 2-day course	Time	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Course Code	ASST1T25	Location	Marriott Quorum Addison**
Tuition	\$650* – includes course manual and hands-on materials	Teaching Methods	Lecture and hands-on
		Prerequisite	None

ABOUT THE ADVANCED ASSISTANT COURSE

Although it is not mandatory to have participated in our basic assistant course, this advanced course is specifically structured to enhance and develop the principles and techniques taught in the basic course. Additionally, it will provide an excellent follow-up for assistants who have previously participated in the basic assistant course, or who have extensive experience in orthodontic assisting. It is recommended that participants be familiar with Cephalometric values, ligation methods, and general monthly orthodontic maintenance appointments. Each assistant needs to be comfortable with basic orthodontic procedures.

The course cost is \$650 and includes a course manual, as well as the materials necessary to complete the hands-on projects. A complete list of instruments required for project participation will be provided at registration.



ADVANCED ASSISTANT COURSE OUTLINE

- › Establishing objectives for treatment
- › Understanding skeletal and dental classifications and discrepancies
- › Treatment options
- › The Straight-Wire philosophy and how it pertains to bracket placement; tip and torque; level, align and rotate; and forces
- › Archwire sequence and auxiliary forces

Participation exercises include:

- › Anchorage & Space Maintenance Using Closing Springs
- › Step In/Out Bends
- › Molar Distalizing Arch (MDA)
- › Cuspid Retraction – Pletcher Springs
- › Individual Root Torque
- › Anterior Retraction-Posted Archwire/Pletcher Springs
- › Bonded Lingual Retainer

PREREQUISITE

Participants should be familiar with basic orthodontic records, bracket and band placement, ligation methods, and basic wire-changing techniques.

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Course	Advanced Assistant Course	Dates	TBD
CE Credits	13 credit hours for a 2-day course	Time	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Course Code	ASST2T25	Location	Marriott Quorum Addison**
Tuition	\$650* – includes course manual and hands-on materials	Teaching Methods	Lecture and hands-on
		Prerequisite	Assistant needs to be comfortable with basic orthodontic procedures

ORTHODONTIC TRAINING FOR DENTAL AUXILIARIES

STRAIGHT-WIRE MECHANICS

The success of a dental practice, and the successful incorporation of orthodontics into a practice, can hinge on the education and training of its staff. These hands-on courses are designed to meet the needs of doctors and assistants who are currently utilizing straight-wire mechanics and would like to expand the duties that may be delegated to, and performed by, the assistant. You can't afford to miss out on the opportunity to train your staff to accept these responsibilities and to encourage their professional growth.

YOUR INSTRUCTOR

Dr. Damon Huffman

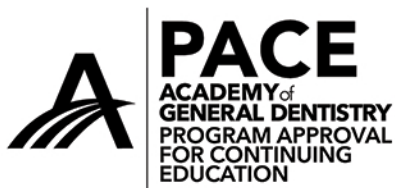
Damon is an Associate Instructor in our Comprehensive Orthodontic Education program in Dallas, is the lead instructor in our Assistant Training program, and participates in the annual Symposium. Damon began his orthodontic studies with Gerety Orthodontic Seminars in 1995, which allowed him to incorporate orthodontics into his busy family practice. Over the last 20 years Dr Huffman has completed over 700 orthodontic cases following Dr Gerety's non-extraction straight wire techniques.

At age 17, Damon worked as a dental assistant in his fathers' office and found his true calling to be a dentist. He graduated from dental school at the University of Texas in Houston in 1994 and immediately joined his father's family practice. In 1999, he purchased that practice where he continues to enjoy all disciplines of dentistry. On any given day at the office, you may find him doing fillings, implants, braces, and root canals.



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