

In the Fall of 2014 Odessa College created a college-wide taskforce to develop a systemic plan to maximize advising, placement, and success. The holistic advising matrix below uses the TSIA score combined with the student’s prior academic success and history, as well as personal experiences and circumstances. This matrix is designed to supplement current placement practices and accelerate entry in to college ready course work.

Reading	Writing	Placement	Holistic Considerations
351+	Essay 4 (MC 363+) Essay 5+	College Ready	N/A
351+	Essay 4 (MC below 363)	NCBW paired with ENGL 1301	HS Graduation Year (within 5 years) HS GPA and Rank HS English Grade(s) Prior College Coursework Financial Aid Eligibility HS Standardized Test Scores TSIA Critical Thinking Diagnostic First Generation College Student First Language Diploma Type & Endorsement Employment
346-350	Essay 3 or 4 (MC below 363)	INRW 0375 (Bubble) INRW 0375	
342-345	Essay 3 or 4 (MC below 363)	INRW 0375	
342-350	Essay score below 3	INRW 0375 AND NCRW 0010	
310-341	Essay 4 (MC 363+) Essay 5+	NCBR 0010 paired with HIST 1301 or 1302 OR NCBR 0005	
			Course Legend
333-341	Essay 3 or 4 (MC below 363)	INRW 0375	NCBR: Non-course Competency Based Reading
333-341	Essay below 3	INRW 0375 and NCRW0010	NCBW: Non-course Competency Based Writing
310-332	Essay 4 (MC 363+) Essay 5+	INRW 0375	NCRW: Non-course Competency Based Reading and Writing
310 -332	Essay below 4 (MC below 363)	INRW 0373	INRW 0375: Advanced Integrated Reading and Writing
			INRW 0373: Basic Integrated Reading and Writing
TSIA Writing Placement score is considered only when essay score is 4.			

	Score	Placement	Holistic Considerations
MATH	350+	College Ready	N/A
	347 – 349	MATH 1314.QEP or MATH 0375	HS Graduation Year (within 2 years) HS GPA and Rank HS Math Grade(s) & Courses Prior College Coursework Financial Aid Eligibility HS Standardized Test Scores First Generation College Student Diploma Type & Endorsement Employment
	344 – 346	MATH 0375	
	341 – 343	MATH 0375.QEP or MATH 0372	
	337 – 340	MATH 0372	
	326 – 336	MATH 0372.QEP or MATH 0371	
	310 – 325	MATH 0371	

