

**Odessa College  
Intro to Algebra  
Fall 2013**

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**Course Number:** 0372.11    TTH: 8 – 9:20

**Webpage:** <http://www.odessa.edu/dept/math/alange>

**Credit Hours:** 3

A developmental course that introduces elementary algebra with some arithmetic review. Includes signed numbers and rational numbers with operations through exponentiation; algebraic expressions and their operations; linear equations and inequalities including applications, graphs. The student will learn to select appropriate mathematical techniques and technologies and use skills in information organizing, processing, planning, and problem solving. Credit is not transferable. This course does not satisfy requirements for any degree plan at College. Placement testing is available. Attendance is mandatory for TASP/THEA liable students. Lab fee required. (SCANS 3, 8, 9) Prerequisite: MATH 0371 passes with a C or better or satisfactory placement score. Co requisite: 14 hours in the Math Academic Resource Lab.

**Course Objectives**

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- 1.0            Performing algebraic operations with real numbers.
  
- 2.0            Solve equations and inequalities and solve applied problems.
  
- 3.0            Graph equations and inequalities.
  
- 4.0            Verify equivalent expressions and perform basic operations with polynomials.
  
- 5.0            Perform polynomial operations and factoring algebraic expressions

**Textbook:** *Elementary and Intermediate Algebra*; Bittinger, 6e

**MyMath Lab Software:** all homework done with this software

**Technology:**

Students must have a valid e-mail address to register for computer software. The email address that you use to register your software will be the email address to which I will send any information or announcements. Please check this account regularly. It is recommended that you use your Odessa College email address. All work is done through the internet, so you need internet access. If you do not have access to the internet, you may use the computers in the math lab.

**Method of Evaluation:** Quizzes: 15%  
 Homework: 20%  
 Test: 40%  
 Final Exam: 25% (Final is comprehensive)

| Percentage (%) | Grade |
|----------------|-------|
| 90-100         | A     |
| 80-89.9        | B     |
| 70-79.9        | C     |
| 60-69.9        | D     |
| Below 60       | F     |

**No Make-up on Homework or Test!! Make prior arrangements.**

**No Late Homework Accepted.**

**Failure to take Final Exam will result in receiving an F for the class**

**Homework Due Dates:**

Homework will be available online immediately after class. It must be submitted before the next class starts. It will be submitted via the internet – NOT HANDED TO ME!! You can print the problems, work them, and get back online to type your answers.

| Date      | Lecture Topic |                  |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|
| T         | 8/27          | Info, 1.1, 1.2   |
| TH        | 8/29          | 1.3, 1.4         |
| T         | 9/3           | 1.5, 1.6         |
| TH        | 9/5           | 1.7, 1.8         |
| T         | 9/10          | Review Ch.1      |
| <b>TH</b> | <b>9/12</b>   | <b>Test Ch.1</b> |
| T         | 9/17          | 2.1, 2.2         |
| TH        | 9/19          | 2.3, 2.4         |
| T         | 9/24          | 2.5              |
| TH        | 9/26          | 2.6 & Review     |
| T         | 10/1          | 2.7 & Review     |

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| <b>TH</b> | <b>10/3</b>       | <b>Test Ch. 2</b>           |
| T         | 10/8              | 3.1, 3.2                    |
| TH        | 10/10             | 3.3, 3.4                    |
| T         | 10/15             | 3.5, 3.6                    |
| TH        | 10/17             | 3.7 & Review                |
| T         | 10/22             | Review                      |
| <b>TH</b> | <b>10/24</b>      | <b>Test Ch.3</b>            |
| T         | 10/29             | 4.1, 4.2                    |
| TH        | 10/31             | 4.3, 4.4                    |
| T         | 11/5              | 4.5, 4.6                    |
| TH        | 11/7              | 4.7 & Review                |
| T         | 11/12             | 4.8 & Review                |
| TH        | 11/14             | Review                      |
| <b>T</b>  | <b>11/19</b>      | <b>Test Ch.4</b>            |
| TH        | 11/21             | 5.1, 5.2                    |
| T         | 11/26             | 5.3, 5.4                    |
| <b>TH</b> | <b>11/28</b>      | <b>Thanksgiving Holiday</b> |
| T         | 12/3              | Review for Final            |
| TH        | 12/5              | Review for Final            |
| <b>Wk</b> | <b>12/9-12/12</b> | <b>Final Exam</b>           |

**Attendance:** Your Attendance is the greatest indicator of YOUR success. Student attendance at every class is expected. You should expect that each absence would adversely affect your course grade. This is a developmental course and state law requires class attendance. You are allowed 5 missed class days. On the 6<sup>th</sup> absent you will be given an **F** for the course.

**Tardiness:** Tardies are not accepted. When you come in tardy you are disturbing the learning process. Please be on time. Once I have finished start of class business, I will shut the door. Please do not enter the classroom once the door is shut without prior approval. You may stay out in the hall and listen or go down to the lab to work on your assignment. I do not want the class disturbed once I start teaching.

### **Communication**

Communication plays a vital role in a student's success. Communication methods for this course include announcements, emails. Any emails I receive will be answered within 2 business days.

**Math Lab:** You are required to attend the Math lab for a total of 14 hours in the semester. Do not wait until the last of the semester. You can receive a maximum of 3 hours credit a week. If you do not attend the lab, it will affect your grade and can even result in a failing grade.

**Cell Phones:** Cell phones and pagers are not allowed in my class. If you must have a cell phone on please turn it to silent. Do not answer in class. You need to wait until I have finished lecturing and then go out in the hall to respond to the call.

**Dropping**

The last day to drop a course at Odessa College for the spring semester of 2013 is April 16th.

**Conduct:** All students will be expected to abide by the OC Code of Classroom Etiquette. I have provided a copy for you. If you fail to abide by these rules, you will be asked to leave my classroom or be removed completely from my class.

**Cheating:** Cheating is not tolerated in my class. Cheating also includes copying answers out of the back of the book. All work must be shown on homework paper that is turned in. Any homework turned in that shows only answers will receive a 0. The 1<sup>st</sup> time you are caught cheating on a paper, homework, assignment, or test, you will receive a 0 for that assignment. The 2<sup>nd</sup> time you are caught cheating, you will be removed from my class permanently and receive an F for the course. If you are caught letting someone copy your paper, you will receive the same punishment.

**Back-Up Plan**

You must have a back-up plan for this course in case your primary computer fails during the semester. Please detail the location of the two computers in your student information sheet.

**Office Hours:** M: 8:30 - 9:00  
W/F: 8:15 – 9:00  
M/W: 11:00-1:00  
T/TH: 7:30 – 8:00 and T 11:00 – 12:00

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the office of Disability Services at 335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

**Learning Resource Center (The Library)**

The Library, known as the [Learning Resources Center](#), provides research assistance via the [LRC's catalog \(print books, videos, e-books\)](#) and [databases \(journal and magazine articles\)](#). [Research guides](#) covering specific subject areas, [tutorials](#), and the ["Ask a Librarian "](#) service provide additional help.

**Student Email**

Please access your [Odessa College Student E-mail](#), by following the link to either set up or update your account: <http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/>. **All assignments or correspondence will be submitted using your Odessa College email.**

**Student Portal**

### **Technical Support**

For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability and student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at [https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk\\_form.htm](https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm).

### **Important School Policies**

For information regarding student support services, academic dishonesty, disciplinary actions, special accommodations, or student's and instructors' right to academic freedom can be found in the Odessa College Student Handbook.

### **Student Success Coaches**

The Odessa College Student Success Coaches will help you stay focused and on track to complete your educational goals. If an instructor sees that you might need additional help or success coaching, he or she may submit a Retention Alert or a Starfish Alert. A Student Success Coach will contact you to work toward a solution.

### **Expectations for Engagement – Face to Face Learning**

To help make the learning experience fulfilling and rewarding, the following Expectations for Engagement provide the parameters for reasonable engagement between students and instructors for the learning environment. Students and instructors are welcome to exceed these requirements.

#### **Reasonable Expectations of Engagement for Instructors**

1. As an instructor, I understand the importance of clear, timely communication with my students. In order to maintain sufficient communication, I will
  - provided my contact information at the beginning of the syllabus;
  - respond to all messages in a timely manner through telephone, email, or next classroom contact; and,
  - notify students of any extended times that I will be unavailable and provide them with alternative contact information (for me or for my supervisor) in case of emergencies during the time I'm unavailable.
2. As an instructor, I understand that my students will work to the best of their abilities to fulfill the course requirements. In order to help them in this area, I will
  - provide clear information about grading policies and assignment requirements in the course syllabus, and
  - communicate any changes to assignments and/or to the course calendar to students as quickly as possible.
3. As an instructor, I understand that I need to provide regular, timely feedback to students about their performance in the course. To keep students informed about their progress, I will
  - return classroom activities and homework within one week of the due date and
  - provide grades for major assignments within 2 weeks of the due date or at least 3 days before the next major assignment is due, whichever comes first.

## Reasonable Expectations of Engagement for Students

1. As a student, I understand that I am responsible for keeping up with the course. To help with this, I will
  - attend the course regularly and line up alternative transportation in case my primary means of transportation is unavailable;
  - recognize that the college provides free wi-fi, computer labs, and library resources during regular campus hours to help me with completing my assignments; and,
  - understand that my instructor does not have to accept my technical issues as a legitimate reason for late or missing work if my personal computer equipment or internet service is unreliable.
2. As a student, I understand that it is my responsibility to communicate quickly with the instructor any issue or emergency that will impact my involvement with or performance in the class. This includes, but is not limited to,
  - missing class when a major test is planned or a major assignment is due;
  - having trouble submitting assignments;
  - dealing with a traumatic personal event; and,
  - having my work or childcare schedule changed so that my classroom attendance is affected.
3. As a student, I understand that it is my responsibility to understand course material and requirements and to keep up with the course calendar. While my instructor is available for help and clarification, I will
  - seek out help from my instructor and/or from tutors;
  - ask questions if I don't understand; and,
  - attend class regularly to keep up with assignments and announcements.

## Course Policies



Availability:

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## Disclaimer

This syllabus is tentative and subject to change in any part at the discretion of the instructor. Any changes will be in accordance with Odessa College policies. Students will be notified of changes, if any, in timely manner.

## Original Effort

The work submitted for this course must be original work prepared by the student enrolled in this course. Efforts will be recognized and graded in terms of individual participation and in terms of ability to collaborate with other students in this course.

## Course Alignment with Industry Standards

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## Digital Protocol

Cell phones must be placed on either *vibrate* or *silent* mode and are to be accessed in emergency cases only. The use of laptops or any other digital device is permitted in order to facilitate note-taking relative to instruction. Any written assignments will be submitted electronically on MML. **The electronic recording of the time on MML will be considered the time of assignment submission. Take necessary steps to ensure that your assignments are submitted on “MML” time.** Back-up and/or additional copies of all assignments submitted is encouraged. **Computers/printers are available to OC students in the LRC (301-303) and Math Lab ET120; therefore, not having access to a computer due to technical issues (crash; corrupted files) will not be considered as an acceptable reason for not completing assignments.** If there is a loss of server connection with Odessa College due to maintenance, then an email will be sent to student with pertinent information and status reports. Assignments submitted electronically need to be **WORD documents (doc or docx).**

## Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend class regularly. Attendance will be recorded using a “sign-in” sheet. Excessive absences will be grounds for disciplinary action, and will be determined on a case-by-case basis. If you are more than 15 minutes late to class or leave class early without notifying the instructor, this will count as an absence. Students are permitted 5 absences in TTH, and 7 absences in MWF classes before they receive an F for the course.

## AVID

This course has been identified as a course by Career, Technical, and Workforce Education as one in which teaching and learning strategies adopted by AVID will be implemented. As a student in the legal program, you will be expected to develop an understanding of the strategies, to model the strategies, to maintain fidelity of

implementation, and to examine how these strategies may impact your effectiveness as a professional in your chosen area of occupation, either through coursework or practicum experience as outlined by the course instructor.

## Grade Inquiry Policy

It is the responsibility of the individual taking this course to maintain accurate track of assignment submissions and grades. There will be opportunities during the semester to meet with the instructor to discuss your academic progress. Contact the instructor to schedule an appointment. Class time will not be used for grade inquiries. All grades are final.

## General Course Requirements

1. Attend class and participate.
2. Contribute and cooperate with civility.
3. **Submit assignments on time. Late work will not be accepted. Medical and/or family circumstances that warrant an extension on assignments need to be presented to the instructor. Extensions will be allowed at the instructor's discretion.**

## Incomplete Policy

An 'Incomplete' grade may be given only if:

4. The student has passed all completed work
5. If he/she has completed a minimum of 75% of the required coursework. A grade of an "I" will only be assigned when the conditions for completions have been discussed and agreed upon by the instructor and the student.

## Course Schedule



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**see above "course topics"**

## Institutional Core Objectives (ICOs)



### **Description of Institutional Core Objectives (ICO's)**

Given the rapid evolution of necessary knowledge and skills and the need to take into account global, national, state, and local cultures, the core curriculum must ensure that students will develop the essential knowledge and skills they need to be successful in college, in a career, in their communities, and in life. Therefore, with the assistance of the Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee, the Coordinating Board has approved guidelines for a core curriculum for all undergraduate students in Texas.

Through the application and assessment of objectives within the institution's core curriculum, students will gain a foundation of knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world; develop principles of personal and social responsibility for living in a diverse world; and advance intellectual and practical skills that are essential for all learning. Appropriate Odessa College faculty periodically evaluates all of the courses listed in the descriptions on the following pages of this catalog and keys them to Odessa College's Institutional Core Objectives (ICOs), as defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). (Source: *Odessa College Catalog of Courses 2012-2013*, page 73)

### **Odessa College's Institutional Core Objectives (ICOs):**

6. *Critical Thinking Skills* - to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information
7. *Communication Skills* - to include effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral and visual communication
8. *Empirical and Quantitative Skills* - to include the manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions

9. *Teamwork* - to include the ability to consider different points of view and to work effectively with others to support a shared purpose or goal
10. *Personal Responsibility* - to include the ability to connect choices, actions and consequences to ethical decision-making
11. *Social Responsibility* - to include intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities

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- 2.0 Solve equations and inequalities and solve applied problems.
- 3.0 Graph equations and inequalities.
- 4.0 Verify equivalent expressions and perform basic operations with polynomials.
- 5.0 Perform polynomial operations and factoring algebraic expressions

## Learning Outcomes



## Odessa College Policies



## Tuition Discounts

The **“First Course is Free”** discount waives standard tuition and fees for the first 3 credit hours taken at Odessa College. The discount applies to high school graduates taking their first class at Odessa College as well as transfer students taking their first class at Odessa College.

The **“Academic Progress Discount”** provides a 10% tuition discount upon completion of 30 credit hours until reaching 45 credit hours. It provides a 20% discount upon completion of 45 credit hours until reaching 60 credit hours. Student must maintain a 2.0 GPA to remain eligible for the discount.

## Academic Policies

Note that the OC Student Handbook states (page 32) that “[i]n cases of academic dishonesty, the instructor has the authority to impose appropriate scholastic penalties. Complaints or appeals of disciplinary sanctions may be filed in accordance with the college due process procedure. Copies of the college due process procedure are available in the office of The Director of Student Life (CC104).”

For more information on your rights and responsibilities as a student at Odessa College, please refer to the following: *The 411 of OC: Student Handbook 2012-2013; Student Rights & Responsibilities*

<http://www.odessa.edu/dept/studenthandbook/handbook.pdf>

**Scholastic Dishonesty** Scholastic dishonesty shall constitute a violation of these rules and regulations and is punishable as prescribed by board policies. Scholastic dishonesty shall include, but not be limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism and collusion.

**"Cheating on a test" shall include:**

- Copying from another student's test paper
- Using test materials not authorized by the person administering the test.
- Collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test without permission from the test administrator.
- Knowingly using, buying, selling, stealing or soliciting, in whole or in part, the contents of an unadministered test.
- The unauthorized transporting or removal, in whole or in part, of the contents of the unadministered test.

- Substituting for another student, or permitting another student to substitute for one's self, to take a test.
- Bribing another person to obtain an unadministered test or information about an unadministered test.
- "Plagiarism" shall be defined as the appropriating, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another's work and the unacknowledged submission or incorporation of it in one's own written work.
- "Collusion" shall be defined as the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing written work for fulfillment of course requirements. (Source: *Odessa College Student Handbook 2012-2013, page 29-30*)

## Special Populations/Disability Services/Learning Assistance

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

Odessa College affirms that it will provide access to programs, services and activities to qualified individuals with known disabilities as required by **Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)**, unless doing so poses an undue hardship or fundamentally alters the nature of the program or activity. Disabilities may include hearing, mobility or visual impairments as well as hidden disabilities such as chronic medical conditions (arthritis, cancer, diabetes, heart disease, kidney disorders, lupus, seizure disorders, etc.), learning disabilities or psychiatric or emotional disabilities. A student who comes to Odessa College with diagnosed disabilities which may interfere with learning may receive accommodations when the student requests them and submits proper documentation of the diagnosis. A Request for Accommodations form and guidelines for beginning the request process are available in the OC Help Center or on the Odessa College web site at

<http://www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/disabilities/index.htm>. The college strives to provide a complete and appropriate range of services for students with disabilities such as assistance with testing, registration, information on adaptive and assistive equipment, tutoring, assistance with access and accommodations for the classroom where appropriate. For information regarding services, students with disabilities should contact the Office of Disability Services in the OC Help Center located in Room 204 of the Student Union Building or call 432-335-6433. (Source: *Odessa College Catalog of Courses 2012-2013, page 52*)

## Dropping a Course or Withdrawing from College

Students wishing to drop a non-developmental course may do so online using WebAdvisor, at the Wrangler Express, or Registrar's Office. A student wishing to drop a developmental course or withdraw from college should obtain a drop or withdrawal form from the Wrangler Express or the Registrar's Office. Students are encouraged to consult with instructors prior to dropping a class. Students may not completely withdraw from the college by use of the Web. Students must drop a class or withdraw from college before the official withdrawal date stated in the class schedule. Students who are part of the Armed Forces Reserves may withdraw with a full refund if the withdrawal is due to their being ordered into active duty. A copy of the student's orders must be presented to the Registrar's Office at the time of the withdrawal. For details, please contact the Office of the Registrar. **No longer attending class does not automatically constitute withdrawal from that class, nor does a student's notification to an instructor that the student wishes to be dropped. Failure of a student to complete the drop/withdrawal process will result in a grade of "F."** (Source: *Odessa College Catalog of Courses 2012-2013, page 36*)

### Student Support Services and Technical Support



## Blackboard Support

### **I can't log into my Blackboard Course, who do I contact?**

Contact the Student Success Center: 432-335-6673 or online at

[https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk\\_form.htm](https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm).

The SSC can provide you with your Blackboard login name. If you are not sure what your password is, they can reset your password.

### **I'm having a problem in my Blackboard Course, who do I contact?**

For any problem that you have in your online course, always contact your Instructor first. Refer to the Instructor's Contact Information area of the Syllabus for their preferred method of contact and the expected response time.

### **Additional Blackboard Help Resources:**

| Service  | Assistance Provided   | Available                             |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Blackboard Help for Students</b>                        | Website with a searchable list of topics on how to navigate and use Blackboard for online courses.  | Online<br><a href="#">Click here.</a> |
| <b>Blackboard On Demand Learning Center for Students</b>   | This website provides an extensive list of short tutorial videos for student activities performed in Blackboard.  | Online<br><a href="#">Click here.</a> |
| <b>Blackboard Collaborate: First Time Users</b>            | If you have never used Blackboard Collaborate before, this website provides a system requirements check, configuration instructions, and training and resources area. | Online<br><a href="#">Click here.</a> |
| <b>Blackboard Collaborate: Essentials for Participants</b> | This website provides essential information for Participants  | Online<br><a href="#">Click here.</a> |

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|  | of<br>Collaborate<br>sessions.<br>Any<br>Collaborate<br>user, whether<br>first-time or<br>experienced,<br>would<br>benefit from<br>reviewing<br>the<br>information<br>here. |  |
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## Student E-mail Support

### **How do I set up, access, or update my Odessa College Student E-mail account?**

Go to this website and follow the directions on the page:

<http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/>.

### **I can't access my student email! I forgot my password!**

Contact the Student Success Center: 432-335-6673 or online at

[https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk\\_form.htm](https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm). They can provide you with assistance in accessing your student email (created by OC) and can also assist with resetting your student email password. Make sure to have your student ID number available!

**Your Blackboard login name is associated with your OC created student email account. All Correspondence for this course will be submitted using your Odessa College student email address.**

## Support for Students with Disabilities

### How do I contact the Office of Special Populations?

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <b>Main Number</b>     | 432-335-6861  |
| <b>Campus Location</b> | SUB 204N in the Student Union Building  |
| <b>Email</b>           | Becky Rivera-Weiss - <a href="mailto:brivera@odessa.edu">brivera@odessa.edu</a>   |
| <b>Website</b>         | To find out more about services provided by the Special Populations office, please visit: <a href="http://www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/disabilities/index.htm">http://www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/disabilities/index.htm</a> |

### Learning Resources Center (LRC; Library)

#### How do I contact the Learning Resource Center?

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| <b>Main Number</b>                         | 432-335-6640  |
| <b>FAQ Service</b>                         | LibAnswers: <a href="http://libanswers.odessa.edu">http://libanswers.odessa.edu</a>   |
| <b>Contact a Specific OC Librarian</b>     | Pat Quintero at 432/335-6350 or <a href="mailto:pquintero@odessa.edu">pquintero@odessa.edu</a><br>Donna Clark at 432/335-6645 or <a href="mailto:dclark@odessa.edu">dclark@odessa.edu</a><br>Carolyn Petersen at 432/335-6641 or <a href="mailto:cpetersen@odessa.edu">cpetersen@odessa.edu</a> |
| <b>LRC Services and Guidelines Website</b> | <a href="https://www.odessa.edu/dept/library/services/index.htm">https://www.odessa.edu/dept/library/services/index.htm</a>   |

#### Equipment and Services Provided:

The Murry H. Fly Learning Resources Center (LRC) supports the college's curriculum resulting in a primary emphasis on each student's individual study and research needs. The faculty and staff work with the LRC's Technical Services and Public Services Departments in choosing materials to support all college programs. More than 59,000 books, 50,000 electronic books, 350 current periodicals, 6,700 media holdings, eight newspapers, and 60 databases are available to enhance the educational process.

| Equipment/Services Available                        | Used For | Available            |
|---|----------|----------------------|
| Books, videos, CDs                                  | Research | On Campus and Online |
| Specialized databases not available online for free | Research | On Campus and Online |



|   |                              |                      |
|---|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Magazines, newspapers, & scholarly journals | Research                     | On Campus and Online |
| Computers                                   | Research & word processing   | On Campus            |
| Selected textbooks for short-term use       | Course work                  | On Campus            |
| Trained staff                               | Answer "where do I find?"    | On Campus and Online |
| Tutorials                                   | Tips for research strategies | On Campus and Online |
| Photocopiers, VHS/DVD players, FAX service  | For course work              | On Campus            |
| Quiet study areas                           | For course work              | On Campus            |

## Student Success Center (SSC) / AVID Center

### How do I contact the Student Success Center?

*Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins will be served as soon as possible.*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Main Number</b>                                  | 432-335-6673  |
| <b>Campus Location</b>                              | 1st floor of the Library  |
| <b>Website with Additional Help and Information</b> | <a href="http://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/">http://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/</a>   |
| <b>Live Online Assistance / Chat</b>                | <a href="#">Click Here</a><br>(If no one is currently available, please put your email and question(s) in the appropriate areas of the form and hit 'send.' Your question(s) will be addressed as soon as an SSC staff member becomes available.) |

### Equipment and Services Provided:

The purpose of the Odessa College Student Success Center is to provide assistance to students in meeting their academic and career goals. The SSC strives to continually provide new and updated resources that will empower all Odessa College students to succeed at OC and beyond.

| Equipment/Services | Used For | Available |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|
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| Available                              |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Tutoring by CRLA & Avid trained tutors | Understanding course work and motivation  | On Campus and Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a> |
| Student Information Seminars (SIS)     | Demo email, Blackboard and SSC resources  | On Campus and Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a> |
| Study Skills                           | Tools needed to succeed   | On Campus and Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a> |
| Basic Technology                       | To navigate classes, email, etc.  | On Campus and Online   |
| Plato Web                              | Practice for TEAS test and basic math, science, etc.                                | On Campus and Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a> |
| Project T.I.E.                         | Practice for GED/COMPASS  | On Campus and Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a> |
| Student Orientation/Tour               | Show individual students where their classes will be. SIS presentation              | On Campus  |
| M.O.R.E. Mentoring Program             | Networking, tips to navigate college life successfully                              | On Campus<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a>            |
| Smart thinking                         | Online tutoring service. Connect with an e-structor and interact with a live tutor. | Online<br><a href="#">Click here for more information.</a>               |

## Veterans Support

**How do I contact the office for Veteran's Outreach?**

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| <b>Main Number</b>     | 432-335-6833   |
| <b>Campus Location</b> | 204M (Help Center) in the Student Union Building   |
| <b>Email</b>           | Gloria Rangel - <a href="mailto:grangel@odessa.edu">grangel@odessa.edu</a>   |
| <b>Website</b>         | To find out more about services provided by the Veteran's Outreach office, please visit: <a href="http://www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/veterans/index.htm">http://www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/veterans/index.htm</a> |