

Register now for Maymester, reduced tuition summer classes

Now is the time to take advantage of Odessa College's reduced summer tuition. You will receive 25 percent off the cost of tuition for courses taken during summer I and/or summer II. You can register online or on campus in the Wrangler Express Center for both Maymester and reduced tuition summer classes.

Maymester classes begin Monday, May 17. Summer I classes begin Monday, June 7 and summer II classes begin Monday, July 12. For more information contact the OC Wrangler Express Center at 335-6849.

Early registration for fall 2010

Those interested in taking fall 2010 classes can begin registering Monday, April 19 either online at www.odessa.edu or on campus in the OC Wrangler Express Center.

OC Continuing Education classes coming in April

- **Tamales, Tamales, Tamales:** 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, April 17. Learn to make three different types of tamales from scratch. Supplies included. Cost: \$35.
- **Social Networking Level I:** 6-9 p.m. April 22 & 24. This beginners class combines the art and science of social networking for business and pleasure using Facebook, MySpace, Twitter and more. Cost: \$45.
- **Fundamentals of PC Use in Spanish II:** 6-8 p.m. Mondays & Wednesdays, April 19-28. Build upon your existing foundation of PC use to establish a more professional edge in Spanish. Cost: \$50.
- **Beginning Dog Agility:** 7:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 20-May 25. Learn the basics of the fastest growing dog sport in America. Cost: \$60.

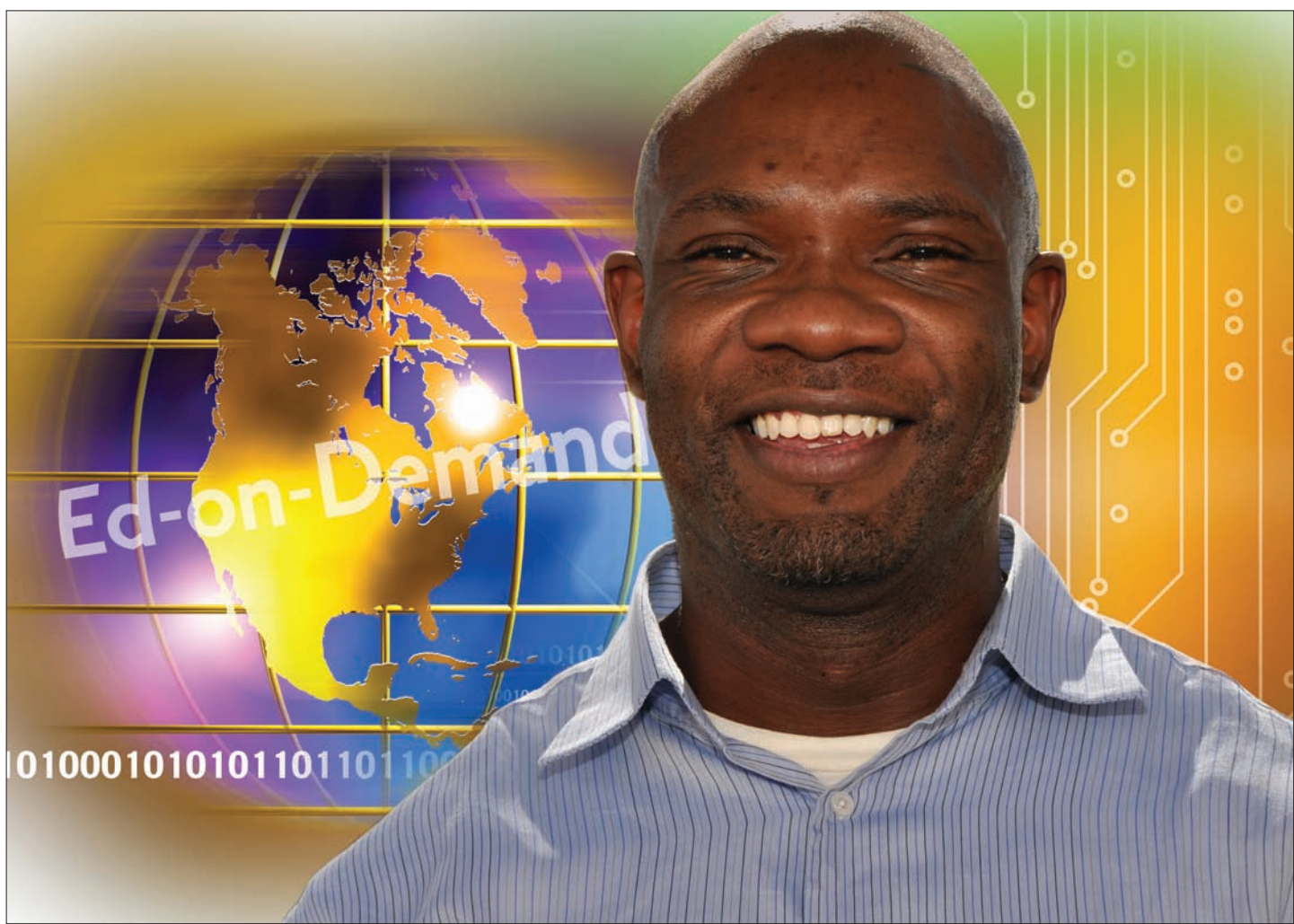
For more information or to register for these classes or any of the many classes offered by the Odessa College Continuing Education department, call 335- 6580.

OC Good Friday, Easter closings

In observance of the Good Friday and Easter holidays, the majority of the OC campus will be closed Friday, April 2 through Sunday, April 4.

Only the OC Sports Center will be open from 6 a.m. to noon on Friday, April 2. It will be closed Saturday, April 3 and Sunday, April 4 and reopen at 6 a.m. Monday, April 5.

The entire OC campus will resume regular hours of operation Monday, April 5.



Corey Davis, director of OC Global instructional services, is looking forward to the fall 2010 implementation of OC's newest online educational opportunity "Ed-on-Demand," which will give **Odessa College students** more control of their educational needs and wants. Davis, an Ohio native whose career in education has taken him to California and Louisiana prior to coming to OC in 2008, is passionate about the benefits of online education, especially "Ed-on-Demand." Despite graduating as valedictorian of his high school class and from Stanford University, he struggled with traditional school environments until he became involved in online learning that successfully taught him how to manage his learning disability.

New 'Ed-on-Demand' classes give students unique opportunity

Beginning this fall, Odessa College students will have a unique opportunity to take academic courses anywhere, any time through a new online program being offered through OC Global.

Ed-on-Demand, OC's newest online learning environment, gives students the flexibility to complete courses in a shorter time frame outside the constraints of the conventional academic calendar, according to Corey Davis, director of OC Global instructional services.

"Courses that would traditionally be a 16-week or semester long class will be offered online in a 4-week accelerated format. Students will be able to start a course each month rather than having to wait until the following semester to pick up another course," Davis said. "It moves away from the traditional semester start and stop dates."

While working to develop the new OC Global program, Davis researched heavily the existing online options for accelerated courses in place at other higher education institutions. He discovered that OC appears to be one of the first colleges to offer students the opportunity to take academic courses often referred to as general studies courses or core requirement courses.

"Traditionally, accelerated course options are continuing education- and skill-based courses, and more tutorial and self-paced in nature. No one I've found is offering accelerated transferable academic courses," he said.

OC Ed-On-Demand is geared more toward pace yourself rather than self-paced. "Self-paced implies that you are more on your own. OC Ed-On-Demand has a support structure built into the background with instructors to provide students with as much or as little assistance as needed. It allows you to take more

ownership and control of your education," Davis said.

The ability to take control of your education through online educational opportunities like Ed-On-Demand and OC Global is something Davis is inherently passionate about. Fundamental to understanding his commitment and passion for online teaching and learning, especially Ed-on-Demand, is knowing that Davis has a learning disability. Despite having graduated valedictorian of his high school and from Stanford University, Davis struggled in traditional school environments.

"It wasn't until I became involved in online learning that I successfully learned how to manage my disability," he said. "One of the misconceptions about online and accelerated learning is that it is just for the gifted and talented students. It is for anyone who has the motivation to succeed – those who want to get ahead or catch-up after taking time off from college, those with lives that don't operate on the school-year calendar, those who may be low performing, and those who are gifted and talented."

Initially, OC will offer a limited number of Ed-on-Demand courses this fall with full implementation tentative for spring 2011. Students will be able to take Art 1301, Speech 1315, History 1301 and/or Government 2306 each offered in three sections with the first section beginning in August.

"These first course offerings will allow us to better determine course demands and the policies and practices that can ultimately help students be more successful with quicker results and less turn around. We can further identify and differentiate a student's degree plan," he said. "Odessa College's long-term goals are to improve student retention and completion rates not only at the college-level, but at the high school-level by providing opportunities for high school students to graduate from high school with an associate degree."

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Deaderick Auditorium, Odessa College campus • 8 pm
Admission: Adults - \$10 • Students and OC staff - free with school ID

The American Brass Quintet will conduct Master Classes:
Monday, March 29 • 7-9pm ■ Tuesday, March 30 • 10am-12pm and 1-3pm | Brass players are encouraged to bring their instruments and any middle school, high school or college student can attend.

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