

# ESL (English Classes) Frequently Asked Questions

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## Q: What services are offered for English language student?

A: We offer English classes ranging from level one (no English language experience) to level six (near native level English language experience). In these classes, students are taught listening comprehension and speaking skills as well as reading comprehension and writing skills. In addition to general English classes, we offer elective classes based on student needs, such as conversation and digital literacy classes.

We also offer high school equivalency classes through our GED program. GED classes are designed to upgrade skills in reading, writing, math, social studies, and science in preparation for GED exam.

We are constantly adding to our current course catalog, so please contact us for a full list of our current courses.

## Q: How do I get started?

A: Complete the following steps to register for the ESL program:

- 1) Create and activate an account at <http://odessa.myoneflow.com>
- 2) Log in to your account and complete the Registration Form
- 3) Sign the Registration Form
- 4) Upload the Necessary Documents:

19 Yrs. & over	Driver's License/ID & Social Security Card (if applicant does not have a Social Security, it is not needed)
18 Yrs.	High School Diploma, Driver's License/ID, Social Security Card (if applicant does not have a Social Security, it is not needed),

- 5) Register for the *(ESL) BestPlus Baseline Assessment* under the *Events* tab.

## Q: What is the cost of enrolling in ESL classes?

A: Our classes and course material are offered completely **FREE**.

## Q: How do I submit my documents?

A: You can take a picture of your documents and upload them through your phone into your OneFlow Account. If you have difficulty with this step, you may come in person to the Odessa College Wrangler Express and we can assist you on uploading your documents.

## Q: What if I don't have all the documentation?

A: You must have ALL documentation to complete registration. Please refer to the chart above for the required documents or contact us.

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## **Q: Can I attend classes even if I didn't register?**

A: No. Enrollment is limited to those persons who complete registration, testing, and orientation before the start of each session. You must complete all the steps required before beginning classes (Refer to Question 2 to review these steps).

## **Q: Are ESL classes being offered online or in person?**

A: Most of our classes are currently in person, although we do offer a few online courses.

## **Q: What time of day are classes offered?**

A: Our classes are offered in the morning and in the evening. General English morning classes take place anywhere from 9 to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday and evening classes take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.

## **Q: How are students placed into a class?**

A: Students take an initial placement assessment which measures student interpersonal communication using everyday language used in practical situation, like at home, at work, or in the community. This assessment is used to determine class placement for general English classes. After 60 hours of instruction, students retake the assessment in order to determine their improvement and whether they should be moved into a higher-level course.

## **Q: Do I have to come to class every day?**

A: It is expected that you come to class every day that class is in session. All students must maintain a minimum of 75 percent attendance per week. Attendance lower than 75 percent puts you at risk of being dropped from the program. If you are unable to attend class, it is expected that you contact your instructor before class begins.