

TEXAS GOVERNMENT  
2306  
Course Information Brief (CIB)

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Text: Maxwell, *Texas Politics Today*  
Classes; (Spring 2013 TTh)

Jan. 22, 24, 29, 31	M1-2
Feb. 3, 5, 7, 12	
Feb. 14 Review	
Feb. 19 ( <b>EXAM # 1</b> )	

Feb. 21, 26, 28	M 3-5
Mar. 5, 7	
Mar. 19 Review	
Mar. 21 ( <b>EXAM # 2</b> )	

Mar. 26, 28,	M 6-9
Apr. 9 ( <b>PROJECTS DUE!!</b> )	
Apr. 11	
Apr. 16 Review	
Apr. 18 ( <b>EXAM # 3</b> )	

Apr. 23, 25, 30	M 10, 11, 14
May 2, 7	
May 9 Review	
May 13 <b>FINALS WEEK</b>	

*Course Requirements:* You will have a total of 6 grades for this course. I will double your highest exam grade. You **MUST** take all exams to pass this course. Failure to take one of the four exams will result in the automatic failure of this course.

*Project:* In many of the text book chapters there are articles called “What do You Think?” Choose one of these articles and write a pro or con paper. The Project is to be **one (1) and no more than two (2) pages in length, double spaced and typed**. Failure to turn in a project will result in the automatic failure of this course. For each class day that your project is late you will

lose 5 points off the project's grade. The project is one exam grade. **Note! No project will be accepted after the class final has been administered.**

*Grade Scale:* A 100-90; B 89-80; C 79-70; D 69-60; F 59-Below

*Attendance:* You are expected to attend all classes. After your fourth absence I will begin to deduct three (3) points from your total accrued course points for each class you miss.

*Individual Needs:* Odessa College complies with section 504 of the 1973 Vocational Rehabilitation Act and with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. Issues with special needs will be referred to the Office of Disabilities Services.

*Academic Dishonesty:* This will not be tolerated. Academic Dishonesty is defined in the current Odessa College Board Policy and will result in the immediate failure of this course, expulsion from this course, and other disciplinary actions that may be taken by this institution.

*Objectives:* This course is a study of the functions and dynamics of Texas government. This accomplished by showing the organization of Texas government and how it functions within the framework of political, social, economic, and cultural forces within our state.

*ICO"s:* 1, 2, 5, 6

*Student Success:* 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.

*Goals and Mission:* this course is designed to meet the Odessa College mission as outlined in the current Odessa College Bulletin.

*Scans:* This course meets the Scans requirements of 1, 2 6 11.