

**Odessa College
Technical Studies Division
Industrial Engines and Transportation Maintenance
Technology**

Course Syllabus

COURSE NUMBER: DEMR 1230 (might need to consolidate with DEMR 1240 to make a 4 hour class)
COURSE TITLE: Steering and Suspension I
CREDIT HOURS: 2 **LECTURE HOURS:** 1 **LAB HOURS:** 3
PREREQUISITE: Consent of department chair or instructor.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

A study of design, function, maintenance, and repair of steering and suspension systems. Emphasis on troubleshooting and repair of failed components. Lab fee required. (SCANS, 2, 5, 6, 11) Prerequisite: Consent of department chair or instructor.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Identify failed components using visual and troubleshooting procedures and equipment; repair or replace parts on various steering and suspension systems; and adjust components on various steering and suspension systems.

COMPETENCIES:

After completing this course, the student should be able to demonstrate automotive competency in:

IV. SUSPENSION AND STEERING

TEXTBOOK

Classroom Manual: Automotive Brake Systems, Clifton E. Owen, 4th Edition, Thomson Delmar Learning, 2008

SUPPLIES:

Students will need course textbook, job sheets, paper, notebook, pen and pencils.

COURSE GRADE EVALUATION:

25% Professionalism (*A grade will be assessed using the following guide lines.*)
Punctuality
Desire to learn
Appropriate appearance
Quality workmanship
Ability to work with others
Safe working habits (*Students will be graded in all areas of shop safety.*)
Positive attitude
Work ethics
Integrity
Attendance
25% Research Paper and/or Final Exam
25% Lab Participation
25% Quizzes and/or Daily

Also see instructor information sheet:

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

YOUR attendance is the greatest predictor of your success. **Student attendance at EVERY class is expected.** You should expect that each absence will adversely affect your course grade. Please see the instructor regarding anticipated absences or conflicts due to college sponsored activities.

ACADEMIC ETHICS:

You are expected to participate and contribute as a group in the labs and classroom; test will be taken without notes or other outside-assistance. If unethical behavior is detected, all parties involved will be denied credit for that project or exam. The questioned material and report of the ethics violation will be submitted to the department chair for further action if deemed necessary.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE:

- Admissions: 432-335-6443
- Book Store: 432-335-6654
- Cafeteria: 432-335-6435
- Career Services: 432-335-6835
- Cashier's: 432-335-6600
- Counseling: (Help center) 432-335-6346
- Auto/Diesel Department Chair: 432-335-6633
- .edu: (Student Service Center) 432-335-6833
- Financial Services: 432-335-6429
- Housing/Judicial Affairs: 432-335-6300
- Learning Resources Center: 432-335-6641
- Registrar: 432-335-6443
- Student Learning Center:
 - Peer tutoring available
 - PLATO: Computer tutoring available (LRC 300) 432-335-6878
- Student Support Services: 432-335-6868
- Technical Studies Dean: 432-335-6686
- Testing Center: 432-335-6834
- Vice President Instruction: 432-335-6413
- Vice President for Student Services:
 - 432-335-6683
- Wi-Fi Java, Cyber Café: 432-335-6509

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LAB REQUIREMENTS:

General Shop Practices and Procedures

- **Safety requirements will be strictly enforced: comply with personal and environmental safety practices associated with clothing, eye protection, hand tools, power equipment, proper ventilation, and the handling, storage, and disposal of chemicals in accordance with local, state, and federal environmental regulations.**
- Proper **Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)** will be used in all required areas.
- **Safety Glasses** must be worn **at all times** in the **lab/shop area**. No exceptions!
- **Adhere to all Safety signs** posted on equipment, fire extinguishers, tool groups, vehicle lifts, support stands, grinders, drill presses, or any other equipment or areas marked with Safety signage.
- Do not restrict the passage of any marked walkway.
- **Safety is paramount** and you are responsible for your work area and your safe work habits! **Therefore, do not leave fluid spills on floor and keep your area free of clutter!**
- Equipment use is limited to those knowledgeable enough to operate the equipment safely; otherwise the equipment is **OFF LIMITS! (Consult your instructor)**.
- Tools and equipment **will not be loaned** or taken from the Odessa College premises.
- Students **MUST** sign out for any specialty tool needed and will only be issued by an instructor or designated person. The student will be **responsible for safety and care of those tools, when finished or at the end of each lab period**, return all tools to the checkout person so they can sign the tool back in.
- NATEF job sheets will be filled out for each lab assignment. When finished, give completed job sheets to the instructor and those will be recorded on your progress report.
- All vehicles are to be treated as customer vehicles. As a student **YOU ARE TO RESPECT THIS**, do not sit in, lean on, or handle any vehicle that has not been specifically assigned to you by your instructor.
- Any time a vehicle hood is open, fender covers must be in place on the fenders at all times.
- Students must get approval from the instructor **before** bringing vehicles in the shop. **Only certain vehicles qualify for NATEF required tasks.**
- Visitors are not allowed in the lab/shop area, however they may be escorted through the lab/shop area by approved personal.