

College of the Ouachitas

As one of only four Achieving the Dream colleges in the state of Arkansas, COTO is committed to improving student learning!



Achieving
the Dream™

Community Colleges Count

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ATD College Since 2008

- Focus on Student Achievement
- Evaluation of effectiveness
- Shared responsibility
- Planning and professional development
- Committed Leadership
- Use of Evidence
- Broad Engagement
- Systemic Institutional Improvement

Achieving the Dream Priorities



- Increase success rates in Intermediate Algebra
- Increase student success of all students while narrowing gap between African Americans and others
- Increase success rates in Basic Writing

We're improving the rates!

■ Success rates of all students in Intermediate Algebra

- In 2004: 43.85% (baseline)
- In 2008-2011: 55.66%



We're narrowing the gap!

Gap between African Americans and others in retention rates:

2004: 6.72% (baseline) 2011: 4.10%

We're improving the rates!

■ Success rate of all students in Basic Writing

- In 2004: 53.66% (baseline)
- In 2010-2011: 71.88%

We're narrowing the gap!



- Gap between African Americans and others in success rates (graduate, transfer, re-enroll)
- Fall 2004: 8.08% (baseline)
- Fall 2011: 7.17%

“For many college students, the tunnel is getting shorter and the graduation light brighter—thanks to Achieving the Dream.”



John Brockman

President Emeritus, Coastal Bend College, Texas