

TRUCK DRIVING

Successful graduates of the truck driving program can expect high wages in a constantly growing industry.

The truck driving course is designed to give you up to fifteen weeks* of training. Actual classroom time averages just three weeks, with most of the remaining semester behind the wheel!

After you complete classroom time and pass state exams, you're in the truck. This is where you'll learn pre-trip safety inspection, proper backing techniques, trailering and cornering skills, and how to shift with the best of them. Once you pass these objectives, you receive your CDL (Commercial Driver License). Then you'll receive additional training and experience with various types of trucks and trailers including van, flatbed, low-boy, and dump truck.

How about truck driving endorsements? Our program is geared to give you endorsements at no extra charge, including doubles and triples, tanker, passenger, school bus and Hazmat.** Although you don't need to pass the endorsements to complete the program, they will add to your qualifications for



greater employment opportunities!

If that's not enough we'll even help you with job placement with major trucking companies!***

That's right. Many trucking companies recognize our success in preparing qualified student to go to work after they have completed the course.

Our tuition cost is a small price to pay to get behind the wheel and make some serious income. Call today and reserve your place in the course.

*Students may enter the workforce earlier and receive credit in class.

**Endorsements are subject to student qualifications with the Driver License Division.

*** Subject to company hiring policies, student driving record, and age restrictions.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

• *How long is the course?*

In the spring and fall the course is 15 weeks. In the summer the course is 12 weeks.

• *Can I finish the course early?*

Yes. If you find employment in the trucking industry, for instance, then we can apply time at your work towards your class hours- For example, if you are in the trucking program and pass off the class objectives, then go to work for a trucking company, then we will apply the time working at the trucking company as part of your classroom hours. But you have to be employed as a trucker, not a sweeper or secretary.

• *What does the cost of the trucking course cover?*

Tuition cost covers the use of semi-tractor and trailers for training, onetime payment of DOT physical, written and driving tests, all CDL endorsements (including Hazmat background check and fingerprints if necessary. All of this is scheduled through our office.

• *What are requirements for CDL eligibility?*

Basically, you need to be 18 years of age for in-state CDL and 21 for interstate (nationwide) CDL. You must hold a regular driver license for at least one year. You should check with the local driver license division to see if you are eligible for a CDL.

• *What are the other requirements?* Your reading skills should be at the level that allows you to under-



standing concepts in the CDL manual. You will also need to have basic math skills.

• *What are the physical requirements?* You will need to pass a D.O.T. physical exam. If you have any health issues you should check with your physician prior to signing up for the course.

• *Where is the training?* The truck and heavy equipment yard is located at 1666 South Hwy 191 in Blanding, Utah.

• *What does heavy equipment tuition and fees pay for?* Use of heavy equipment for training purposes.

• *What type of housing is available?* CEU has dorm rooms available at a reasonable cost to students on a first-come, first-serve basis. An application must be submitted for the dorms. Other off-campus housing may also be available, depending on the demand.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS CONTINUED

- *Do you help with job placement?* Yes, we can help with some job placement depending on individual circumstance and student's willingness to work. We have students from last semester who are already working in their new career!
- *How much money can I make?* Truck drivers and heavy equipment operators can earn* \$37,560 and \$42,060, respectively. Much depends on experience, willingness to travel, and your skills level.
- *How much time on trucks or equipment?* Classroom time varies but generally about 2-4 weeks in the classroom and the remainder is on equipment and trucks.
- *What kind of trucks and equipment do you train on?* We have: two semi-trucks, dump truck, bus, forklift, road grader, front end wheel loader, backhoe, and dozer.
- *I'm ready to sign up. Where do I start and what are the costs?* Visit our counseling office and they will help you start the process. Heavy equipment tuition and fees are \$4845.30 plus 19.15 for books. Cost for the trucking program is \$3095.80 plus \$144.64 for books. (All costs are subject to change, based on increases for tuition and books.) Check with your local agencies for information on training and rehabilitation programs.

* Median annual wages, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Our philosophy on heavy equipment training is simple—once you pass the classroom work, we want you on the equipment! You will be amazed at just how much hands-on training you receive. You'll learn all the fundamentals of operating front-end wheel loader, dozer, road grader, and backhoe in a safe, efficient, and effective manner. All of that in just fifteen weeks! That's right, after only fifteen weeks you earn your certificate and are qualified for an entry level position in the heavy equipment field that includes mining, construction, road maintenance, and many other industries that use heavy equipment. Our program is designed to give you a well-rounded start to a rewarding career in the heavy equipment industry.

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