



A Unit of the Technical College System of Georgia

Commercial Truck Driving

Program Overview

The Commercial Truck Driving Certificate (CTD) program is a sequence of courses designed to prepare students for careers in commercial truck driving. Learning opportunities develop academic, technical, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes specialized training in the fundamentals of CTD, basic CTD operation, an advanced CTD operation, or a CTD internship with a company to provide the advanced training, which focuses on developing driving skills.

Program Curriculum

CTD 101 - Fund. Of Truck Driving:

This course introduces students to the trucking industry, federal and state regulations, records and forms, industrial relations, and other non-driving activities. This course provides an emphasis on safety that will continue throughout the program.

AND

CTD 102 - Basic Operations:

This course focuses on familiarizing students with truck instruments and controls and on performing basic maneuvers required to drive safely in a controlled environment. In addition, students acquire basic coupling and uncoupling skills.

AND

CTD 103 - Advanced Operations:

This course focuses on developing driving skills under actual road conditions. The classroom part of the course stresses safe operating practices. Students will then integrate safe operating practices while under actual road conditions. Students drive a minimum of 12 hours over-the-road under the supervision of an instructor.

OR

CTD 104 – Internship:

The internship provides the opportunity for a student to complete his or her training (as described under CTD 103) with a company working closely with the college. Students drive a minimum of 12 hours over-the-road under the supervision of a company representative.

Program Timeline

10 Week Day Program

Monday-Thursday

8:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.

10 Week Evening Program

Monday – Thursday

5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

- Week 1 – Intro to trucking industry, pre-trip inspections, review state and federal regulations
- Week 2 – Logbooks and trip planning
- Week 3 – Driving Simulator and obtain AP permit
- Week 4 – Driving Range: Orientation
- Week 5 – Driving Range: Coupling and Uncoupling
- Week 6 – Driving Range: Shifting, turning, backing, off-set backing, alley docking and parking
- Week 7 – Students drive a minimum of 12 hours over the road with an instructor / supervisor
- Week 8 – Students drive a minimum of 12 hours over the road with an instructor / supervisor
- Week 9 – Students drive a minimum of 12 hours over the road with an instructor / supervisor
- Week 10 – Class A CDL Road Test

Program Costs

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| Application Fee (non-refundable):* | \$20 |
| 7 year MVR:* | \$8 |
| D.O.T. Physical (estimate):* | \$65 |
| NIDA-5 Drug Screen (estimate):* | \$50 |
| A.P. Driving Permit:* | \$35 |
| Course Tuition: | \$1,125 |
| Registration Fee: * | \$39 |
| Activity Fee:* | \$30 |
| Insurance:* | \$6 |
| Textbooks (estimate):* | \$100 |
| Fuel Surcharge:* | \$130 |
| <u>Instructional and Technical Fee:**</u> | <u>\$55</u> |
| Total: | \$1,663 |



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Financial Aid is available and the Georgia HOPE grant may cover a portion of tuition. Contact Financial Aid at 706-213-2106.

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