

TRUCK DRIVER TRAINING COURSE

About Our Program

Train to earn your Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) and prepare for a career in the trucking industry, one of the fastest growing industries in the country. With over 300,000 truck driving jobs available in the United States, this course is designed for students with little or no commercial driving experience.

The Highland Community College Truck Driver Training Course, provided by the 160 Driving Academy, includes everything you need to earn a CDL and find your first job as a truck driver. You will train to earn your CDL learner’s permit in the first 40 hours of class as well as learn Department of Transportation (DOT) rules, regulations and log books. The remaining 120 hours will be spent on driving training in the yard and on the road.

After successful completion of the course you will take the Secretary of State administered Class A test and receive a certificate from 160 Driving Academy as well as an Illinois Commercial Driver’s License from the Secretary of State. Most importantly, our staff will work with our partners in the trucking industry to secure job placement for you. Prior to starting the course, you must provide a copy of your DOT physical and drug screening test. Courses start every month. Please call 815-599-3418 for an appointment today.

Admission Requirements

Ability to read and write the English language

Age must be 18 or older, physically meet Federal Department of Transportation guidelines

Possession of a valid driver’s license at the time of registration

Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
TRCK 080	Commercial Drvrs' License Prep	7
Total Hours		7

Program Outcomes

- Safe and Efficient Operation of Commercial Vehicles
 - Upon completion of the program, graduates will be able to operate commercial trucks safely and efficiently in a variety of conditions, demonstrating proficiency in vehicle control, defensive driving techniques, and adherence to traffic laws and regulations.
- Knowledge of Vehicle Maintenance and Pre-Trip Inspections
 - Graduates will demonstrate the ability to perform thorough pre-trip inspections, identify common mechanical issues, and conduct basic maintenance checks on commercial vehicles to ensure safe operation.
- Compliance with Federal and State Regulations
 - Graduates will understand and apply federal and state transportation regulations, including hours-of-service rules, cargo handling requirements, and environmental standards, to ensure compliance during every aspect of their driving career.

Program Contacts

- Call Highland at 815-235-6121 for the following program contacts:
- Office Manager, 815-599-3418