

# Truck Driving

## Truck Driving - Certificate of Achievement

The Truck Driving program is a Certificate of Achievement program designed to prepare students for a career as a professional driver. Using modern equipment, the certificate offers instruction and training in forklifts, straight trucks, tractor trailer combinations, including doubles and loaded trucks. Students log approximately 2,000 to 2,500 miles behind the wheel prior to graduation.

Upon completion of the truck driving program, the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate safe operation of commercial vehicles as evidence by driving techniques, explanation of state laws and load securement and coupling.
- Prepare related documentation required of a truck driver including trip planning, weight requirements, electronic logs, and communications related to job.
- Perform a State required pre-trip inspection
- Demonstrate driving skills in shifting, backing, and proper road skills in a variety of vehicles and situations.

<i>Course #</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Units</i>
<b>Required Core Courses</b>		
DT 050 . . . . .	State Laws and Federal Regulations . . . . .	3
DT 052 . . . . .	Safe Operation Fundamentals . . . . .	2
DT 053 . . . . .	Fork Lift Operations . . . . .	1
DT 055 . . . . .	Trip Planning and Budgeting . . . . .	3
DT 057 . . . . .	Job Prep Skills . . . . .	1
DT 058 . . . . .	Operations of Commercial Vehicles I . . . . .	3
DT 059 . . . . .	Operations of Commercial Vehicles II . . . . .	3
<b>Pick 1 of the following courses:</b>		
HVYEQUI	Level I Heavy Equipment Operation . . . . .	5
060A . . . . .		
CRPSCI 045 .	California Pest Control Laws and Regulations . . . . .	2
CRPSCI 046 .	Integrated Pest Management . . . . .	3
IMT 060 . . . .	Industrial Core . . . . .	3
WT 070 . . . . .	Introduction to Certified Welding . . . . .	2.5
WT 071 . . . . .	Beginning SMAW . . . . .	3
WT 072 . . . . .	Advanced SMAW . . . . .	3
WT 074 . . . . .	GMAW and FCAW:Plate . . . . .	3
WT 075 . . . . .	SMAW Pipe Welding . . . . .	2
	<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>18-21</b>

## Occupational/Career Outlook

The median salary for Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers is \$48,630 (nationally) and \$49,030 (California). A commercial driver's license is generally required for Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers. Additional career and employment information may be obtained through:

- O\*Net, [onetonline.org](http://onetonline.org)
- Labor Market, California Employment Development Department, [www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)