

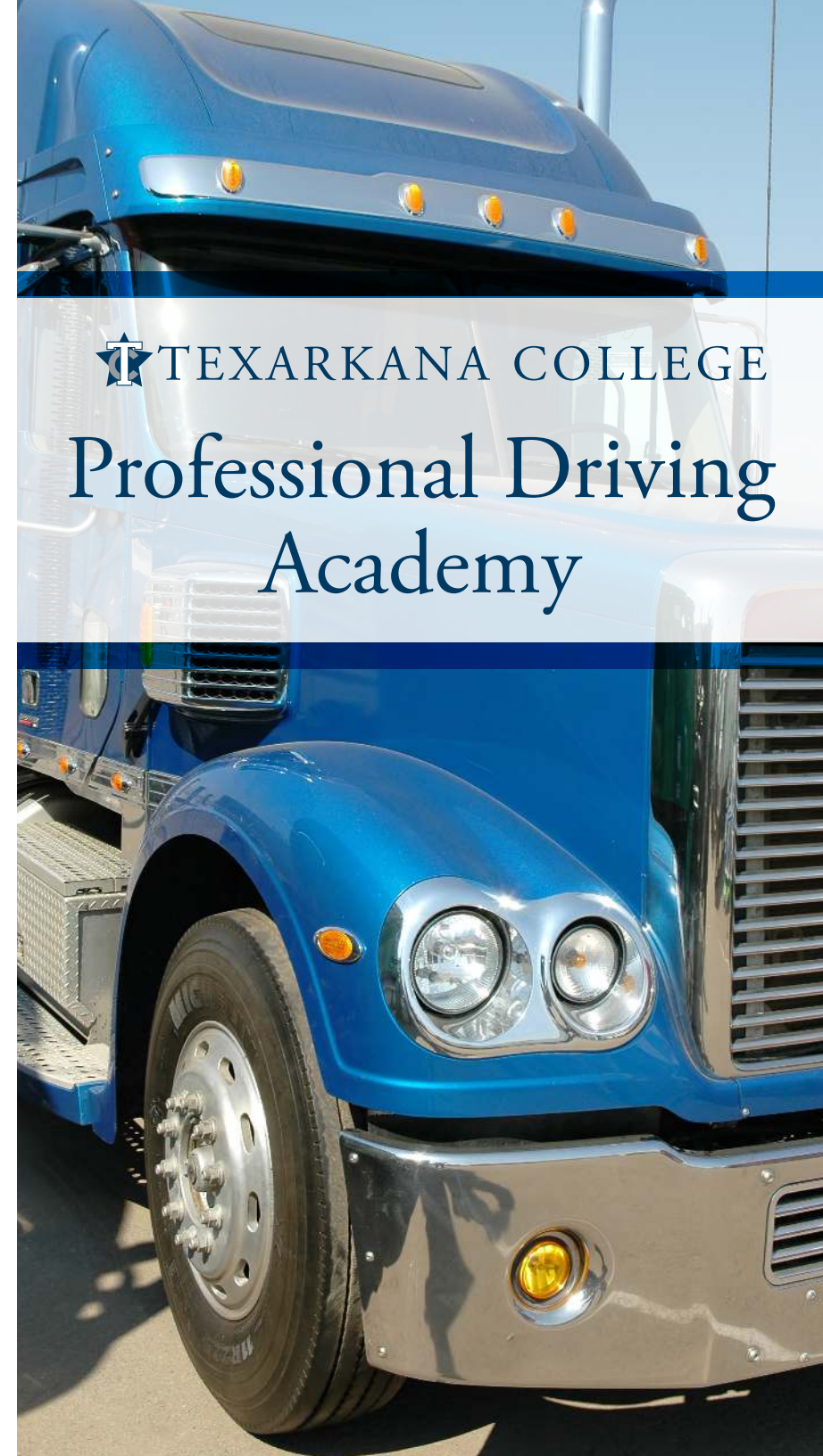
Learn the skills you need to start your truck driving career in only five weeks


In a short amount of time, you can receive a credential that will lead to a high demand, professional career that pays well and provides benefits.

Texarkana College Professional Driving Academy is located at the Texarkana College training site at TexAmericas Center in New Boston, Texas. Our program will prepare you to take Department of Transportation exams, including the general knowledge, Class A and B, Combination Vehicle, and Air Brakes exams after only five weeks of training.

Demand for professional drivers is rising. Economic Modeling Specialists International projects that specialized freight trucking jobs will increase by 19.3 percent in Texas and 15.7 percent nationwide by 2020. The Texas Workforce Commission estimates that in 2020, more than 3,300 workers will be needed to operate buses, delivery vehicles, heavy equipment, tractor-trailers and other light truck or specialty vehicles. Currently, average earnings for professional drivers statewide are \$45,332, and average earnings nationwide are just over \$47,000.

Learn more at texarkanacollege.edu or call the admissions representative at 903-823-3434. Fax: 903-823-3131



 **TEXARKANA COLLEGE**
**Professional Driving
Academy**

Admissions requirements

AGE

Applicant must be 21 years of age or older.

EDUCATION

A high school diploma or G.E.D. is not required (but applicant must furnish a copy of high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate, if applicable, at the time of enrollment). If applicant does not have a high school diploma or G.E.D., an assessment test will be given to determine that the student has the ability to benefit from the training offered.

ASSESSMENT TEST

Each student who does not have a copy of his/her high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate will be given the Wonderlic ATB test during the first week of school. This test assesses the students ability to read, write and understand the English language, as well as some basic mathematics.

MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must pass the Department Of Transportation examination, including but not limited to urinalysis drug screening, and Breath Alcohol Test.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Applicants must make an appointment for information about admission requirements prior to course registration. Call 1-800-TRUCKING for an appointment time.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If you qualify for financial assistance, all documentation must be completed, approved, and submitted to the Admissions office prior to the beginning of class.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

In accordance with the Education Amendments Act of 1972, International Schools does not discriminate by denying admission because of color, race, sex, national origin, age, religion, or any disability that would not preclude employment within the selected program, in admissions, counseling, training, placement employment, or in any other activity.

Course objectives

After graduation from this course, the student will be;

1. Qualified to secure an entry level job as an over the road driver with a commercial driver's license.
2. Aware of safety procedures; alcohol and drug effects; laws and penalties applicable to the professional driver.
3. Proficient at performing pre-trip, on the road, and post trip vehicle and equipment inspections.
4. Skillful in safe driving techniques.
5. Capable of map reading, log books, cargo documentation, dispatch procedures, emergency responsibilities, and regulations of transportation agencies.
6. As an over the road driver, students will travel all 48 states and Canada, in all kinds of weather and terrain.

Each student will receive range driving skills practice and actual street driving experience. A graduate of this program, without prior truck driving experience, needs to drive with an experienced and competent driver at first in order to have sufficient behind-the-wheel experience to drive safely over the road.

Course information

CLASS SESSION

7 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday

BREAKS

Lunch break: 11 a.m.-12 p.m.; 15-minute morning and afternoon breaks

COURSE LENGTH

200 clock hours; 5 weeks to complete

NORMAL CLASS SIZE

12-24 students

START DATES

First class begins May 5. Open entry. A new class will begin every Monday, unless it falls on a holiday, in which case the class will start the following day and end the week on Saturday.

Requirements for graduation

In order to graduate, a student must complete the minimum number of required course hours and maintain an overall 70 average during training. The student must pass the CDL examination. Upon satisfactory completion the student will receive a certificate of completion.

Requirements for licensing and DOT physical:

- Valid Texas driver's license
- Proof of auto liability insurance
- Picture ID - must have for drug screen
- Social security card
- Must not have any outstanding tickets or warrants

Cost

All fees are non-refundable and must be paid in advance.

Tuition (books and supplies included)\$4,000.00

Fees:

DOT Physical\$45.00

Urinalysis (Drug Screen)\$65.00

Moving Violation Report\$10.00

CDL License Fee.....\$71.00

Total cost:.....\$4,191.00

Financial assistance is available. For more information about financial assistance, required courses, DOT requirements and more, visit texarkanacollege.edu or contact an admissions representative at 903-823-3434 today! Fax: 903-823-3131