



GET ON THE ROAD TO A BETTER FUTURE

Commercial Driver's License

[CONTINUING EDUCATION]

WASHBURN TECH
UNIVERSITY

Add mileage to your professional future by training to earn your Kansas commercial driver's license (CDL). This specialized training can lead to a variety of career options from driving a bus to hauling goods across the country. It's a short-term investment that can bring long-term benefits.

LEARNING AT WASHBURN TECH

This four-week continuing education course begins with an indepth overview of the Kansas Commercial Driver's License manual, and includes a physical, drug screen and testing for instructional permits. Students spend time in the classroom and behind the wheel. The classroom location for this course is Washburn Tech East at 2014 SE Washington St.

Classroom training covers federal motor carrier regulations, daily logs and equipment of the trade. Students learn how to read and interpret control systems, perform vehicle inspections and exercise basic control. In addition, instruction covers shifting, backing and docking the vehicle along with managing speed and space relations. Students learn how to identify potential driving hazards and perform emergency maneuvers. They also learn to identify and adjust to difficult and extreme driving conditions, handle and

document cargo, address environmental issues, plan trips and use effective communications.

Students will hear presentations from several industry professionals, including placement presentations with major trucking companies. Attending full-day, students can complete the course in four weeks.

CLASS HOURS AND COST

Washburn Tech offers nine cohorts of this course throughout the year. Students attend class from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, for four weeks. They accumulate 160 hours of classroom and driving time.

The cost of this course is \$4,000. To enroll or receive information, call 785.670.2391.

CERTIFICATION

- CDL

Build your best self.

CONTACT US TODAY!

785.670.2391

CDL SESSIONS IN 2025 & 2026»

- + July 7 - Aug. 1, 2025
- + Aug. 11 - Sept. 8, 2025
- + Sept. 22 - Oct. 17, 2025
- + Oct. 27 - Nov. 1, 2025

- + Jan. 12 - Feb. 9, 2026
- + Feb. 16 - Mar. 13, 2026
- + Mar. 23 - Apr. 17, 2026
- + Apr. 27 - May 22, 2026
- + June 1 - 29, 2026

FAQ'S

IS FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE?

There is no financial aid available through Washburn Tech. Check with various state agencies in your home state for programs to assist you in paying tuition. In Kansas, you can check with Workforce One, WIA, Workforce Development, Unemployment Office, VA, DCF, SER and Voc-Rehab. Other states have similar programs. Call us with your funding questions.

IS HOUSING AVAILABLE?

Housing is available in Topeka. The cost is \$850 for four weeks. This is based on multiple occupancy, meaning that you will probably share an apartment with another trucking student. Each apartment has a refrigerator, stove, microwave and coffeepot. There is cable television. Each apartment has two full beds and bed linens are furnished. You can check in the day the class begins.

WHAT ARE CLASS HOURS?

This four-week program is from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DO I NEED A PERMIT BEFORE CLASS STARTS?

No

WILL TRUCKING RECRUITERS COME TO CAMPUS?

Various recruiters will visit class. We will share information from various companies and will assist in finding the right fit for you.

WHAT IS THE INSTRUCTOR/STUDENT RATIO?

As a general rule, each instructor will have three students or less per truck.

DO I NEED TO TAKE THE D.O.T. PHYSICAL PRIOR TO THE START OF CLASS?

You do not need to take the physical prior to attending. Do not take a drug screening on your own. The drug screen and physical are included in the tuition cost and will be administered by the school.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND?

The only requirements needed for the college is a valid driver's license, online application and must be 18 before the start of the course. The online application is located on our website, www.washburntech.edu. Once those items are submitted, the student will pay an enrollment fee.

WHEN ARE SESSION START DATES?

See the schedule in this packet, go to our website, www.washburntech.edu, or call 785.670.2391.



APPLICATION CHECKLIST



APPLY
(ONLINE OR
PDF APPLICATION)



PAY
(PAYMENT OR
PAYMENT PLAN)



SHOW LICENSE
(PROVIDE PROOF
OF KS DRIVER'S
LICENSE)



**SECURE
HOUSING**
(IF NEEDED)

2025-2026 PROGRAM COSTS (Estimated)

	STUDENT
Tuition	\$3,000
Permits/License/Physical Fee	\$200
Fuel Surcharge	\$300
Program Fee	\$400
Textbook Fee	\$100
TOTAL	\$4,000

MORE INFO »

For more information, contact the Continuing Education office at 785.670.2391. You also may email businessindustrycenter@washburnmail.onmicrosoft.com

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