

A new career in 8 weeks

Learn Commercial Truck Driving at Salina Tech

Have you ever dreamed of driving a big rig? Wondered what it would be like to span the entire country in less than a week, and then wake up the next day and do it all over again? Then Salina Tech's Commercial Truck Driving program is the perfect place to start!

Over the road truck driving is a lifestyle, not a job. Many drivers can be away from home for weeks at a time, while others choose to drive close to home and never miss a day away. And the best part is, you get paid to do it! Whether you are staying in Kansas or seeing America the Beautiful, you'll have a well-paying job with a view that's always changing.

Salina Tech's Commercial Truck Driving program is a broad curriculum that blends classroom instruction with over the road driving education. Our team of experienced instructors are here to prepare you for a future in truck driving. From preparation and pre-inspection, to vehicle systems and hazard awareness, the program will teach you everything you need to know to safely operate a big rig for years down the road.

In the program, you'll learn skills such as backing and docking, coupling and uncoupling trailers, preventative maintenance, recognizing and correcting malfunctions, speed and space management, driving at night and under extreme conditions, hazard awareness, vehicle inspection, handling and documenting cargo, trip planning, map reading, record-keeping and more.

The program consists of approximately 336 hours of instruction. Upon successful completion of the program, students will earn a Certificate of Completion from Salina Tech. In addition, during



At a Glance

- **Earn a Class A CDL License** **Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
- **Earn a certification from Salina Tech** • **Student cost is \$3,492**
- **Total of 336 hours of classroom, driving and observation** • **Must be at least 18 to enter the program, and 21 to cross state lines**
- **8 Week class is**

the final week of the program, students will also be given the opportunity to take the CDL driving examination through the Saline County office of the Kansas Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to receive their Class A CDL license. Licensure is not guaranteed. Students will be expected to spend additional time outside of classroom instruction to increase their pass rate. If the student does not pass the driver's examination on the first attempt, they may rent the truck and trailer for an additional fee outside of the program's completion date.

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For more information about our completion, on-time graduation rates, cost, placement rates, and median debt incurred, please go to <http://www.salinatech.edu/> and search by program of study.

How to get started -- The Application Process

Step 1: Complete the Online Application at salinatech.edu/applynow/ (mark the circle in front of the phrase “Commercial Truck Driving Program (8 Weeks)”).

Step 2: Complete TB Questionnaire (as part of Online Application).

Step 3: Provide Motor Vehicle Driving Record (MVR - See Driving Record standards for criteria).

Step 4: Provide valid Driver’s License (must be valid during entire 8-week program).

Step 5: Complete Reading Placement Test (Call Learning Resources, 785-309-3136 to schedule testing).

Step 6: Obtain DOT Medical Card (must be from a DOT-approved physician).



An in-demand career

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics:

- Median pay for truck drivers nationwide is \$41,340 per year
- In Kansas, the average pay is \$43,110
- The U.S. will need 98,000 more truck drivers by 2024

Upcoming schedule of classes

Fall 2018

Classes start: August 20
Classes end: October 12

Fall 2018

Classes start: October 22
Classes end: December 19

Winter 2019

Classes start: January 14
Classes end: March 8

Spring 2019

Classes start: March 18
Classes end: May 10

