

YOUR GUIDE TO
CDL CLASS A TRAINING

**DAYTIME & EVENING CLASSES** 

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# YOUR ONRAMP TO OPPORTUNITY

Congratulations on taking the first step toward a rewarding career as a professional truck driver! At the University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville (UACCB), we are proud to offer training that prepares you with the skills and confidence needed to excel in the commercial trucking industry.

In our program, you'll learn from experienced instructors, gain hands-on training behind the wheel, and develop the knowledge necessary to meet industry standards. From the classroom to the cab, we're here to guide you every step of the way, which includes scholarship opportunities, job placement assistance, and personalized support to help you achieve your goals.

We are excited to be part of your journey and look forward to seeing you succeed. Our CDL Class A Training Program is your onramp to opportunity. Let's roll!

# STEERING YOU TO SUCCESS

At UACCB, we don't just train you to earn your CDL—we help you start your career. We'll help connect you with Arkansas' largest and most reputable carriers, including JB Hunt and others. Whether you're seeking local routes or long-haul opportunities, we're here to support your journey every step of the way.

#### **Strong Industry Connections**

We partner with top carriers, ensuring our students have access to high-demand job opportunities upon graduation.

#### **Personalized Guidance**

Our team helps match your career goals with employers looking for skilled drivers.

#### **Immediate Opportunities**

The trucking industry needs professionals like you, and we'll help you hit the ground running.



You don't need a GED or high school diploma to begin your journey in UACCB's CDL Class A Training Program! We welcome students from all educational backgrounds, offering a pathway to a high-demand career in commercial trucking.

While a GED isn't required to enroll, earning one can unlock even more opportunities for your future. UACCB's Adult Education program provides free GED preparation classes tailored to fit your schedule.

Earning your GED can help save on your Class A CDL program tuition. If you have a GED or high school diploma you may qualify for the \$800 Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship.

Visit **UACCB Adult Education's** webpage or call (870) 612-2164 to learn more.



### ORIENTATION MEETINGS

Thinking about starting a career in trucking? We strongly encourage you to attend a one-hour orientation meeting to learn all about UACCB's CDL training program. We'll cover everything you need to know about enrolling in a daytime or evening class, and answer your questions.

- ∨ Mar. 10, 2025 | 5:30 PM | MCB Room 242
- △ April 14, 2025 | 5:30 PM | MCB Room 242

- **Nov. 17, 2025** | 5:30 PM | MCB Room 242

### ENROLLMENT CHECKLIST

Shift into gear and complete these tasks to secure your seat in an upcoming class. Detailed instructions for completing each task are provided on the following pages.

Once you've finished, we'll provide you with a start date for your training. The sooner you finish these prerequisites, the sooner you'll be on the road to success:

# Sign up on the CDL Waitlist Submit the Driving Record Release Consent Form Purchase the CDL Packet (Manual and Written Test) Pay a \$150 deposit to UACCB Schedule your DOT Physical through UACCB Obtain a Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) Pay remaining tuition to secure your seat in the class

# TASK #1 CDL WAITLIST

#### **How to Join the Waitlist**

- · You must be at least 18 years old
- Visit UACCB.coursestorm.com
- Search for "Commercial Driver Training"
- Click the "Add to Waitlist" button

You can also scan the QR code on this page to go directly to the Waitlist webpage.







# DRIVING RECORDS RELEASE FORM

#### **How to Complete the Form**

- Complete the Driving Record Release Form on the following page
- You can also <u>download the form</u> by scanning the QR code on this page

#### **Submitting Your Form**

- Submit your completed form to UACCB by:
  - Email to workforce@uaccb.edu
  - Hand delivery to the Workforce Training Center, Room 1201

#### **Excessive Points on Your Driving Record**

- If you have 10 or more points on your record, you must pass a Defensive Driving Training course
- Contact the UACCB Workforce Training Center for more information by calling 870-612-2082







#### DRIVING RECORD ABSTRACT RELEASE

Each agency must keep the release on file and the release is valid for five (5) years.

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Agency Name		
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Date of Birth	Driver's License Number	
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Driver Signature		Date

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#### Where to Buy

- The CDL Packet is available for \$50 at any State of Arkansas Revenue Office
  - The Batesville Revenue Office is located at 1207 E Main St.
- It includes your CDL study manual, three attempts at the written test, and score sheet

#### What to Bring

- When purchasing your manual, be sure to bring:
  - Your original birth certificate
  - A second form of ID (e.g., driver's license, passport)

#### **Revenue Office Locations**

Find your local State of Arkansas Revenue
 Office online or scan this QR Code





# TASK #4 DOT PHYSICAL

### How to Schedule Your Department of Transportation (DOT) Physical

- Contact UACCB's Workforce Training Center by calling 870-612-2082 or emailing workforce@uaccb.edu
  - UACCB staff will authorize your DOT Physical with Sherwood Urgent Care
  - The cost of the physical is included in the program's tuition
- If you DO NOT receive authorization from UACCB for the physical, the college WILL NOT pay for it





# CLP - COMMERCIAL LEARNER'S PERMIT

#### How to Schedule Your Exam

- Study for your CDL written exam!
- Find your exam location online, or scan the QR code
- Schedule your exam online (ASP CDL Written Exam), or scan the QR code

#### **Submitting Your Documents**

- After passing the exam, provide a copy of the front and back of your valid CLP to UACCB by:
  - Email to workforce@uaccb.edu or hand deliver it to the Workforce Training Center, Room 1201

#### **Important Reminder**

- Your CDL packet expires in one year from the date of purchase. You have until the CDL Packet's expiration date to obtain your license.
- If you fail the exam three times, you may purchase another CDL manual for \$50 and try again

#### **EXAM LOCATION**



#### **SCHEDULE EXAM**



# PRO TIP CDL PREP APP

Use the free CDL Prep app to study for your Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) exam!

The app provides practice questions tailored to the CLP exam. You only need to focus on these sections: General Knowledge, Combinations, and Air Brakes.

Use the Practice Mode to understand why an answer is correct and challenge yourself with the Exam Mode to gauge your readiness. If you can pass the Exam Mode in the app, you'll be ready to pass the real test!

Search for "CDL Prep" in your device's app store and start studying today. It's available for **iOS** and **Android** devices.

#### **APPLE LINK**





#### **ANDROID LINK**



### DAYTIME CLASS SCHEDULE

Our program offers flexible training dates to fit your schedule, combining classroom learning and hands-on driving experience.

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 \bigcup \text{Feb. 10 - March 7, 2025} \quad \quad \text{9:30 AM - 5 PM} \quad \text{M-F}
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March 10 - April 11, 2025 │ 9:30 AM - 5 PM │ M-F

Sept. 22 - Oct. 17, 2025 | 9:30 AM - 5 PM | M-F

Nov. 17 - Dec. 19, 2025 │ 9:30 AM - 5 PM │ M-F



INDEPENDENCE HALL

### PROGRAM COST AND VALUE

#### **Program Costs**

CDL Packet (Manual & Written Test)	\$50
Tuition Deposit Due Before Your DOT Physical	\$150
Remaining Tuition Due Before Your Seat is Confirmed	\$3,350
DOT Physical	INCLUDED
Drug Test	INCLUDED
JJ Keller Textbook	INCLUDED

TOTAL COST \$3,550

Workforce Challenge Scholarship - \$800

#### **MOST STUDENTS WILL PAY**

\$2,750

#### **Additional Testing Fees**

If you need to take your CDL driving skills test more than twice, a \$125 fee will apply.



# BATESVILLE

# CDL CLASS A CURRICULUM

Our CDL Class A training program provides comprehensive, hands-on instruction to prepare you for a successful career in commercial trucking. With small class sizes, you'll receive personalized attention and spend most of your time behind the wheel.

#### **Program Highlights**

- Approximately four weeks of full-time training
- Learn to drive automatic and standard transmissions
- Small classes of three students

#### **Core Training Topics**

While the focus of the program is hands-on training, you'll also learn about:

- Federal and State Regulations
- Vehicle Systems and Maintenance
- Pre-Trip Inspections and Daily Safety Checks
- Defensive Driving and Safety Practices
- Hours of Service Rules
- Logbook Requirements





### CURRICULUM CONT.

#### **Behind-the-Wheel Training**

Our small class sizes mean more driving time for you. Hands-on training includes:

- Vehicle operation in various driving environments (highways, city streets, and rural roads)
- Backing maneuvers, including straight-line backing, alley docking, and parallel parking
- Coupling and uncoupling trailers safely and efficiently
- Advanced maneuvers and turning techniques for large vehicles

#### **CDL Driving Test Preparation**

The program culminates in preparing you for the CDL Class A skills test, which includes:

- Pre-Trip Inspection: Demonstrate thorough vehicle inspections
- Basic Control Skills: Master essential driving techniques
- On-Road Driving: Navigate real-world scenarios with confidence



# ROAD TO PROSPERITY



Drive a tractor-trailer combination or a truck with a capacity of at least 26,001 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW). May be required to unload truck. Requires commercial drivers' license. Includes tow truck drivers.

#### **NATIONALLY**

**Annual Wage** 

**\$** \$55,900

**Currently Employed** 

**2,044,400** 

#### **ARKANSAS**

**Annual Wage** 

**5** \$51,530

**Currently Employed** 

**34,460** 

Earn more by obtaining endorsements to operate tanker vehicles, double or triple trailers, or transport hazardous materials.



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2023

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many times can I take the written Commercial Learners Permit test?

As many as you need, but each CDL Packet you purchase from the state only provides three testing opportunities.

For how long is my Commercial Learners Permit valid?

For one year from its date of issue.

After I pass the written Commercial Learners Permit exam, how do I get my plastic learners permit card?

You must take your scorecard from the exam to your local state Revenue Office.

Will I be required to take a drug screening test? Yes! Prior to the start of class, you must pass a drug screening test.

What do I do if I can't make it to a day of class? You must call your instructor BEFORE the class begins that day.

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### QUESTIONS CONT.

Will I need to pass a driving test to get my CDL? Yes. Our instructor will bring one of our trucks to the testing site for you to drive.

What happens if I do not pass my driving test? You can re-test, but if you fail to pass the driving test two times, you must pay UACCB \$125 for each additional re-test to help cover fuel, instructor, and maintenance costs.

When I'm studying for the written Commercial Learners Permit exam, what topics should I focus on?

The CLP exam covers General Knowledge, Combinations, and Air Brakes.

#### When is payment due for this class?

Payment must be made, at the latest, 15 days before your scheduled start date.

Are scholarships available for this program?

Yes! Eligible students can apply for the Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship, which provides up to \$800 in funding.

### QUESTIONS CONT.

### Besides the Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship, is other funding available?

Yes! You may qualify for funding or assistance from other programs, too. We can help you find programs that may offer support.

#### Can I work while taking this course?

The CDL training program is intensive, so we recommend limiting other commitments to ensure success.

#### How long does it take to complete the program?

The program typically lasts four weeks, depending on scheduling and your mastery of driving skills.

### What kind of jobs can I get after completing this program?

Graduates can pursue careers as local, regional, or long-haul truck drivers, with potential earnings ranging from \$31,495 to \$96,959 annually based on experience.

#### Am I required to pass a DOT physical?

Yes. The cost of the physical is covered by your tuition.



## BATESVILLE

### MEET OUR LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Bryan Anderson brings a wealth of experience to UACCB as our lead instructor for the Commercial Vehicle Driving program and the Heavy Equipment Operation programs. A Navy veteran, Mr. Anderson served aboard the USS Nimitz, gaining valuable technical expertise and a strong work ethic.

Following his military service, he dedicated over 30 years to the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), where he retired as a supervisor overseeing Independence County's highways. During his tenure, he managed multimillion-dollar budgets and supervised teams.

Mr. Anderson also holds a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and has extensive experience operating heavy machinery and teaching. Students in his classes benefit from his deep industry knowledge, practical insights, and commitment to helping them succeed in their careers.





Whether you're a first-time college student, returning to complete your education, or looking to explore new opportunities, UACCB is here to support you every step of the way.

#### What's My Next Step?

Reach out to our recruiter:

- Tina Goodman
- Phone: 870-612-2042
- Email: tina.goodman@uaccb.edu



The University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville improves lives by empowering the people of North Central Arkansas through education and skills development.

#### **CARING**

We engage with respect and compassion to foster a sense of belonging.

#### **INTEGRITY**

We commit to accountability, transparency, and trust.

#### **LEARNING**

We promote lifelong curiosity, knowledge, and discovery.

#### **TRANSFORMATION**

We drive advancement through innovation and resilience.

# OUR VALUES



#### 2005 White Drive, Batesville, AR 72501



#### 1. Independence Hall (IH)

Auditorium Banquet Hall Classroom 102 Lecture Hall 103 Conference Hall 104 College Store Automated Teller Machine (ATM)

#### 2. Main Campus Building (MCB) Welcome Center

Classrooms 237-243 Student Services Testing Center Information Services

#### 3. Math and Sciences Building (MSB) Classrooms/Labs 301-307

#### 4. Adult Education Building (AE) Classrooms 402-404/5

English as a Second Language (ESL)

#### 5. Business Office Procurement

Accounting Accounts Payable Accounts Receivable

#### 6. Human Resources

7. Maintenance Maintenance Shop Grounds Equipment Shipping and Receiving

#### 8. Row-Johns Building (RJB) Library Learning Resource Center

Computer Lab Classrooms 801-816

#### 9. Nursing and Allied Health Building (NAH) Lecture Hall 902 Classrooms/Labs 909-927 and 930

10. Cosmetology (COS) Cosmetology Salon Classroom 1003

11. Fire Training Center

#### 12. Workforce Training Center (WTC) Skilled Development Lab Community

Education/Non-Credit Training

#### 13. Fire Training Tower

#### 14. Gateway Center

Commercial Truck Driving Range Heavy Equipment Operations

### **READY TO DRIVE?**

Visit UACCB.coursestorm.com to sign up for the CDL program waitlist. If you have questions, we're here to help!

Call: 870-612-2082

• Email: workforce@uaccb.edu

Visit: Workforce Training Center, Room 1201

