

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES & SKILLED TRADES DIVISION
PROFESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVER TRAINING
COURSE SYLLABUS
November 20, 2025

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: TRUK 1124

Course Title: Professional Truck Driver Training Driving Lab

Prerequisite(s): Students must achieve an 80% grade or higher in TRUK1114. Students must have completed a Department of Transportation Physical Examination, have had Department of Transportation Pre-Employment Drug Screen, submitted a copy of their Motor Vehicle Record for the past three years and must have obtained a Class A Commercial Learner's Permit to enroll in TRUK1124.

Co-requisite: TRUK1114

Catalog Description: This is an intensive training hands on course for tractor/trailer drivers. It includes, inspections, time logs, defensive driving and skill development in coupling and uncoupling, backing, shifting, and city and highway driving.

Credit Hours: 3.0

Class Hours: 15

Lab Hours: 90

Total Contact Hours: 105

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

A. Help the student to be able to safely perform the basic skills to operate a tractor/trailer and demonstrate the knowledge of state and federal laws governing its operation.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: *Student will be able to:*

1. Operate and maneuver a commercial vehicle safely and appropriately in all types of environments, surrounded by the general motoring public and under stressful circumstances.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOME:

GELO 4: Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
Outcome(s):

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE

A. Orientation

1. Personal health
2. Safety
3. Commercial driver's license
4. Tests required

5. Driver qualifications
6. The commercial motor vehicle

B. Entry Level Driver Training Requirements

1. Driver qualifications
2. Health and wellness

C. Basic Control

1. Starting, warming up, and shutting down
2. Putting the vehicle in motion and stopping
3. Straight line backing
4. Turning
5. Coupling and uncoupling

D. Shifting

1. Key elements of shifting
2. Shift patterns

E. Backing

1. Backing principles and rules
2. Basic backing maneuvers

F. Driving Practices

1. Rural route driving
2. Interstate driving
3. City driving
4. Driving on assigned daily routes
5. Advanced road test

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The course information document lists the current text(s) required for this class. The list is also available in the campus bookstore. The course information document also lists the tools/equipment or other supplies required for this class.

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

A. Methods of instruction typically include a combination of the following:

1. Lecture, video presentation, demonstration and/or online instruction

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

A. Methods of evaluation typically include a combination of the following:

1. Written tests, online assessments, homework assignments, and demonstrations

SCC STANDARD GRADING SCALE POLICY:

A+	95-100	C+	75-79
A	90-94	C	70-74
B+	85-89	D+	65-69
B	80-84	D	60-64
F	Below 60		

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

A. Students must achieve an 80% grade to successfully complete the course.