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Illinois Public High School Driver Education Teacher Requirements:

25.100(n) Beginning with applications received on or after February 1, 2012, an endorsement in safety and driver education shall be issued when the applicant provides evidence of having completed 24 semester hours of college credit in the field, with at least 12 semester hours at the upper-division or graduate level, as defined by the institute offering the coursework, distributed as follows:

- 1) 3 semester hours in injury prevention or safety; (TECH 635)
- 2) 12 semester hours in driver education that include
 - a. driving task analysis (introduction to driver education); (TECH 622)
 - b. teaching driver education in the classroom; (TECH 636)
 - c. teaching the laboratory portion of the driver education course, including:
 - i. on-street teaching under the supervision of a qualified driver education teacher; (TECH 633)
 - ii. the equivalent of at least one semester hour preparation in and use of driving simulation; (TECH 539)
 - iii. the equivalent of at least one semester hour preparation in the use of multiple-car programs; (TECH 539)
 - d. advanced driver education and emergency evasive driving; (TECH 539)
- 3) 3 semester hours in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and
- 4) 6 semester hours chosen in any combination from;
 - A) the use of technology in instruction;
 - B) safety issues related to alcohol and other drugs;
 - C) driver education for students with disabilities; and any other safety-related area.

Source: <http://www.isbe.net/rules/archive/pdfs/25ark.pdf> Shelly Helton, ISBE Rules Coordinator 8/2011

Tentative Driver Education Endorsement Course Offerings: Spring/Summer 2012

Course Dates That Have Online Components (); Graduate Credit Courses (**):*

- TECH 622**** **Driving Task Analysis**, (3)(Late Spring 2012); Sat. April 21, 28, May 5, 12
At the Multi-University Center in Oak Brook, IL (8:30am to 5:30pm.); Online
Wednesdays, April 25*, May 2*, 9*.
- TECH 635**** **Seminar in Safety, Current Issues in General Safety** (30), (Early
Summer 2012), Sat. May 26 and July 7 at the Multi-University
in Oak Brook, IL, (8:30am.to 5:30pm.), Online Fri. June 1*, Mon. June 11*, 18* 25*.
- TECH 636**** **Principles of Traffic Safety Education** (3) (Summer, 2012); Sat., June 9,
July 14, (8:30am.-5:30 pm. at the Multi-University Center in Oak Brook, IL.);
Online Wednesday, June13*, 20*, 27*, 27,* July 11*.
- TECH 633**** **Practicum in Traffic Education** (3) (Summer, 2012); Sat., June 2, at the Multi-University Center in Oak Brook,
IL. (8:30 am.-5:30pm.); **PLUS** BTW in the DeKalb area: Mon. through Sat. 7 am-9 pm., starting Tues., June 5 to
Sat., June 30 by team appointment, also weekly teleconferences.
- TECH 539**** **Advanced Traffic Safety Education Practices** (3) (Summer, 2012); Sat., June 16 (8:30 am.-5:30 pm.) at the
Multi-University Center in Oak Brook, IL; Online June 22*
NOTE: Sessions the week of. June 25-28 (5:00 pm.-10:00 pm.) at St. Charles HS: Simulation Laboratory and
Multi-Car range.

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Costs: Course costs will be listed in Schedule. Course materials need to be purchased at each first class session.

Location: Classes to be held at the Multi-University Center (M.U.C.) Room 200, 2nd Floor, 1010 Jorie Blvd., Oak Brook, IL 60523. Office phone: 630/990-0740; Simulation/Range work will be held at St. Charles H.S., St. Charles, IL and Behind The Wheel sessions (BTW) at NIU, DeKalb, IL.

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To Register: online: WWW.REG.NIU.EDU; Off-campus students: (Regional): NO November registration for Spring 2012 (TECH 622***). Registration for TECH 622 is proposed for January 2012 during the add/drop period for a late spring course start. See note below. Register for Summer 2012 in April.

*** TECH 622 Driving Task Analysis is presently being forwarded through the NIU curricular approval process. The course will be added to the NIU Course Schedule for 2012 when finally approved.

Check your registration dates and times online. See above NIU website.

Overload Permits: (12 semester hours are an overload for Summer)
http://www.niu.edu/tech/audience/pdf/overload_approval.pdf

Student at Large Status for Graduate students should be obtained (ASAP) from NIU's Graduate School online: www.grad.niu.edu.

It is imperative that you are present for the first day of each class since important details and scheduling (and team assignments) that will affect the entire course will be shared on that first day.