

Chicago State University

Dear Educator,

I am presently working with Chicago State University in establishing a teacher certification program for driver education secondary endorsement. We would like to know if there would be people who would be interested in enrolling in this program. The program of extension classes would start the fall semester of 2011 and continue through the summer session of 2012. The location of the program will be at Lakes Community High School in Lake Villa, Illinois. We are located 4 miles northwest of I-94 and Route 132 (Grand Ave.) in Lake County. We feel we can service educators from northern Cook, Lake and McHenry Counties. The times and days scheduled will be confirmed at a later date.

Teacher Certification Information

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 institution offering the coursework, distributed as follows:

1. 3 semester hours in injury prevention or safety;
2. 12 semester hours in driver education that include:
 - a. driving task analysis (introduction to driver education);
 - b. teaching driver education in the classroom;
 - c. teaching the laboratory portion of the driver education course, including:
 - i. on-street teaching under the supervision of a qualified driver education teacher;
 - ii. the equivalent of at least one semester hour's preparation in and use of driving simulation;
 - iii. the equivalent of at least one semester hour's preparation in and use of multiple-car programs; and
 - d. advanced driver education and emergency evasive driving;
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
 - d. Any other safety-related area.
5. (Source: Amended at 34 Ill. Reg. 1582, effective January 12, 2010.)

We would appreciate letting as many educators know about this proposed offering and contacting me as soon as possible to assess the interest and need for this program, my contact information is listed below.

Thank you for your time,

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