

CENTER FOR SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

OSU-Oklahoma City's Center for Safety and Emergency Preparedness (south end of the campus, 3501 W. Reno Ave.) is a unique facility within the region. The center capitalizes on existing OSU-OKC programs and experience, partnering with private and public entities that share an interest in furthering knowledge and expertise in the arena of public safety and emergency preparedness.

Program tracks within the center include advanced driving programs, emergency preparedness planning and exercises.

Safety and Emergency Preparedness Courses

The center offers a full suite of emergency preparedness courses for emergency responders, emergency managers, business and industry and the general public. The center also offers OSHA prerequisite training.

Courses include:

- Business Emergency Planning
- Community-based Emergency Planning
- OSHA 511-Standards for General Industry
- OSHA 510-Standards for Construction Industry
- OSHA 10 and 30 Hour Outreach Courses for respective industry
- Hazwoper 24 and 4 Hour Course
- Hazwoper 8 Hour Annual Refresher Course
- H2S Training
- Hazardous Material

Advanced Driver Training Courses

The center specializes in unique driver training courses going beyond the classroom to include hands-on driving experience on the campuses specially designed training track.

- General Public Courses
 - One-day Defensive Driving Course
 - Defensive Driving for Teens and Young Adults (15 1/2 – 21 to participate)
 - Driver Education
 - Motorcycle Rider Training
 - Recreational Vehicle Driving Techniques
 - Skid Car Avoidance and Recovery
- Corporate Courses
 - One-day Advanced Defensive Driving Course
 - Commentary Driver Training
 - Six- and 10- Wheel Truck (and Trailer) Driver Training
 - Fifteen-passenger Van
 - Commercial Driver License Preparation (company sponsored only)
- Public Safety Courses
 - Basic Law Enforcement Driver Training
 - Advanced Law Enforcement Driver Training
 - Fire/EMS Driver Training

Precision Driving Training training includes:

- Defensive driving maneuvers
- Proper steering techniques
- Skid avoidance and control
- Backing and collision avoidance
- Emergency stopping
- Highly qualified instructors
- Student-to-instructor ratio of 4:1



- Behind-the-wheel vehicle training
- Option to drive an OSU-Oklahoma City vehicle or your personal or company vehicle

General Public Courses

Improve defensive driving skills and reduce insurance premiums at the same time. Insurance companies recognize all courses and offer discounts to drivers who successfully complete the advanced skills courses. Check with your insurance agent for details.

Skid Car Training

Skid car maneuvers, a component of the driving training courses, give the driver hands-on experience in avoiding and/or recovering safely from a skid. Proper training in the specially-equipped PDTC Skid Car can make the difference between an avoidable or recoverable skid and a disastrous skid due to snow, ice or mud.

At 60 miles per hour, a skid is over before the driver can learn from the event. In the PDTC Skid Car everything happens at a low speed, controlled by the instructor and allowing the driver to learn from every action. Through interactive technology, the driver feels the vehicle begin to skid and learns to react to the dynamics of the skid as it happens. Instructors have time to point out how to correct actions and reactions. Students learn proper Automatic Braking System (ABS) braking techniques and how to cope with hydroplaning, as well as over-steering and under-steering conditions. Learning how to gain better control of a vehicle avoids accidents.

Driver Education

OSU-Oklahoma City's Driver Education program prepares students for the operation of motor vehicles. Students develop knowledge of the state laws related to motor vehicle operation; acceptance of personal responsibility in traffic; appreciation of the causes, seriousness and consequences of traffic accidents; and develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits and skills necessary for safe motor vehicle operation.

Each student receives a minimum of ten (10) hours of classroom instruction and a minimum of six (6) hours of actual driving of the Driver

Education vehicle, accompanied by and under the supervision of a qualified Driver Education instructor. This also includes skid avoidance and recovery training in the SkidCar, which teaches the students how to avoid skids on dry and wet pavement, as well as on snow and ice.

Alive@25 is a one-day, hands-on course developed to provide defensive driver training techniques to teen drivers. Each driver will be taught in the classroom how to recognize and correct unsafe driving behaviors, the need for personal responsibility and safety restraints. The student will receive four (4) hours of hands-on training to build their skills and confidence in off-road recovery, collision avoidance, backing and cornering and skid avoidance and recovery. Participants must be between the age of 15 1/2 and 21, have basic driving experience and a learner's permit.

Motorcycle Rider Training

Increase confidence, improve motorcycle skills and learn how to have more fun by riding motorcycles safely. The Basic RiderCourse teaches the motorcycle enthusiast motorcycle driving fundamentals: what to wear, how to start and stop, motorcycle controls, street strategies to avoid trouble and how to maneuver the motorcycle in tough situations. Upon successful completion, the driving portion of the licensing test for the motorcycle (M) endorsement is waived.

The Experienced RiderCourse is for motorcycle enthusiasts that want to hone their skills and fine-tune the mental skills needed for survival in traffic. Learn how to balance the mental and physical aspects of safe riding, manage risk, increase visibility and optimize lane position. Many insurance companies offer discounts on motorcycle premiums, ask insurance agents for details.

An Advanced Motorcycle Ready to Ride course is also offered. Ready to Ride is designed for the rider who wants to strengthen critical "road" skills, making riding safer and more enjoyable. By utilizing our private enclosed two-lane road, riders practice real road speed cornering.

Corporate Courses

The Advanced Defensive Driving training courses can be customized to address special problems that company drivers encounter on today's roadways. Training can be taken in the OSU-Oklahoma City PDT fleet automobiles or the company vehicle that the employee drives. Drivers of cars, trucks, vans and larger vehicles will learn how to handle their specific type of vehicle when encountering difficult situations.

Public Safety Courses

Basic, advanced and specialized driver training is available for all areas of the public safety community. Emergency vehicle drivers from police, fire and EMS agencies are encouraged to use the vehicle they drive on the job to experience a variety of road and highway driving conditions in a safe, controlled environment.

For more information about the OSU-OKC Center for Safety and Emergency Preparedness, contact (405) 945-3208 or email csep@osuokc.edu