

# A QUICK LOOK AT HEAVY EQUIPMENT COLLEGES OF AMERICA'S

CERTIFICATE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS - LEVEL I

## WHO WE ARE

Heavy Equipment Colleges of America (HEC) is committed to be a leading educational institution offering effective training while maintaining a high standard of quality and integrity. Heavy Equipment Colleges of America offers its services to the public for the purpose of helping career transitioning individuals gain employment.

## WHY HEC?

Focused training with Heavy Equipment Colleges of America will prepare you with the skills, knowledge, and credentials needed to get a job.

## **CERTIFICATE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS - LEVEL I**

Our Introduction to Heavy Equipment Operations is a three-week course designed to provide even the most novice student a practical understanding of basic heavy equipment operation. You will learn the essential skills of earthmoving, including digging, trenching and loading; safety and preventive maintenance; and construction site fundamentals such as grades and elevations, soil properties and blueprint reading.

Level I training will qualify you to take the ADEPT (Adaptable Equipment Proficiency Testing) exam, a nationally-recognized heavy equipment operations certification valued by employers across the country.

Hands-on equipment fieldwork training includes: Backhoe, Skid Steer and Wheel Loader

## **ACCELERATED PROGRAMS**

You can complete your training from HEC in as little as 3 weeks & start working!

## JOB PLACEMENT HELP

Our Career Services team is here to help you with mock interviews, resume building & more!

## **MULTIPLE LOCATIONS**

We have five different campuses nationwide so you can train at a school near you!

## **ADMISSIONS**

**Step One:** Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and submit a completed Enrollment Application to enroll for classes and provide proof of identification.

Step Two: Applicants must provide proof of high school graduation or GED certificate.

**Step Three:** Applicants must meet basic physical criteria. HEC does not discriminate based on mental or physical disabilities. However, students must be mentally and physically capable of safely operating equipment on a daily basis in order to successfully complete the program.

## Financial assistance available to those who qualify. Approved for VA education.

## WHERE GRADS ARE WORKING

In addition to oil, gas, railroad, waste disposal and recycling, graduates from HEC are trained for a variety of entry-level jobs in construction and aggregate industries. These include equipment operation; crane operation; site preparation and management; excavation; utilities and underground; trenching; road construction; airport construction; and commercial and residential construction.

To see a complete list visit: HeavyEquipmentCollege.com/career-services

## LOCATIONS

**Georgia** 581 Sigman Rd NE, #300, Conyers, GA 30013 - (888) 504-5208 **North Carolina** 1909 Bragg Blvd, Suite 94, Fayetteville, NC 28303 - (800) 514-9495 **Oklahoma** 6101 W. Reno Avenue, Suite 1000, Oklahoma City, OK 73127 - (888) 616-5447 **California** 1955 West 9th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92411 - (800) 906-6012 **Tennessee** 298 Clear Sky Ct, Clarksville TN 37043 - (800) 390-1190 **CALL US TODAY!** 

For more information about our programs and the student experience, call 888-879-9492 or visit HeavyEquipmentCollege.com

The Department of Veterans Affairs is the government agency responsible for determining eligibility for VA education benefits and for authorizing payment for the benefits. If you have questions about the available benefits or your eligibility, please contact our admissions office at 888-879-9492. You may also visit http://www.gibill.va.gov/ to learn more about the available benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Heavy Equipment Colleges of America endorses the national certification program offered by the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) and provides training to prepare candidates for CCO examinations.



## **"WHAT DOES THE TRAINING CONSIST OF?"**

Students who enroll in the Certificate of Heavy Equipment Operations - Level I program will learn basic operational techniques, preventative maintenance procedures and basic trade skills such as construction math and reading blueprints. Students will have the opportunity to earn 2 certifications, one for the backhoe and one for the wheeloader.

Training consists of classroom and field site instruction.

## "WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I GO TO THE FIELD SITE FOR HANDS ON TRAINING?"

Field instruction will take place on one of our field sites located near the classroom facility. There, you will be introduced to a variety of real-life experiences. Each piece of equipment has its own specialized training.

Adaptable Equipment Proficiency Testing (ADEPT) is the answer.

The Adaptable Equipment Proficiency Testing (ADEPT), an outcome-based assessment program, was created to provide a reliable measurement of the essential skills that workers must have to demonstrate proficiency and capability in heavy equipment operations. ADEPT program provides an objective evaluation that meets industry and regulatory standards.

Certificates and Cards are awarded after the student passes the certificate examinations proctored by HEC instructors or outside certifying officials.

## "HOW DOES YOUR PROGRAM STACK UP TO SOME OF MY OTHER OPTIONS?"

Our program costs substantially less than a degree program, is completed in three (3) weeks and includes our lifetime job placement assistance program. This means less time, less expense, and getting to work quicker with a great career in front of you!

#### "HOW LONG IS YOUR PROGRAM?"

Each training module last 3 weeks.

## **"WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I GRADUATE?"**

The training department is designed to get you prepared to go to work immediately. Before you graduate, your resume will be completed. When it comes to finding work, our Career Services Department will not only assist you in finding construction companies that are hiring after you graduate, they will continue to assist you throughout your career. Upon graduation, you will receive a list of job leads. We expect you to follow up with these companies when you get home. The best way to attack the job market is to use our job leads plus your own networking. The wonderful part of the heavy equipment trade is that you can visibly see where work is taking place; so if you see a job site in progress that may not be on your job leads sheet, go ask for the Superintendent or Job Foreman and find out who does the hiring, and then ask for an interview as a Certified Heavy Equipment Operator.

## "WHAT DO OPERATORS MAKE?"

Pay Scale for Operators by Area (just put in your zip code); Click link below:

## http://www.salary.com/category/salary/

Getting started in this field should always be looked at as a process. The process starts with getting certified, and then getting some experience. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national average pay for Heavy Equipment Operators will vary, depending upon where you live. We suggest students look up the wage scale online for your region.

#### "HOW MUCH IS YOUR SCHOOL? WHAT DOES THAT INCLUDE?"

Each program at each campus varies. Please contact our Admission Advisors for detailed tuition and fees.

Your hotel stay is provided by the school. You will enjoy a double occupancy room and participating hotels provide a hot breakfast each morning. Additionally, your room will have a microwave, refrigerator and Wi-Fi. Students are responsible for transportation to and from campus, both upon initial arrival and departure, post-graduation, and on a daily-basis during the training. Students are also responsible for meals during the program. HEC does not offer per diem or cover any transportation costs.

## "HOW DO I PAY FOR THE SCHOOL?"

If you have the funds available to you, it is easy! Call us and we can do it quickly over the phone in a matter of minutes with a credit card, or we can instruct you in faxing a copy of a certified check. If you need to finance your tuition, we can help instruct you with that as well. Please visit our website for more information.

If you are a Veteran, you may be eligible for educational benefits. We can help direct you to the appropriate sources to determine eligibility and to start the enrollment process. More info about education benefits offered by the VA is available at: http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

In some cases, those who qualify may be eligible for State or Federal Grants. Be sure to ask your advisor if you qualify.