

## **Introduction to Driving**

DRVH 001 259

Credits: 0.5 units / 5 hours

### **Course Description**

In this course students will learn the rules and regulations that affect roadway users, how to identify signs, signals, and markings on a roadway, the use and importance of each type of safety restraint, and the correct procedures for sharing the roadway with others. The course focuses on understanding the human functions of driving: how different attitudes, emotions, and peer pressure can affect driving, the effects of alcohol and other drugs on driving, and the correct procedures to follow if involved in a traffic accident and for responding to emergency situations. Note: Students who intend to use this course to meet insurance discounts or state education requirements must first check with their state's Department of Motor Vehicles to verify that this course will meet state requirements.

**Graded Assessments:** 4 Unit Evaluations; 2 Proctored Progress Tests

### **Course Objectives**

After successfully completing this course, you should be able to:

1. explain all of the rules and regulations that affect roadway users.
2. identify signs, signals, and markings on a road.
3. describe the proper procedure to follow if you are involved in a traffic accident.
4. perform all of the tasks essential to operating a vehicle.
5. use and note the importance of each type of safety restraint.
6. determine the position of your vehicle in relation to other roadway users.
7. recall the procedures for limited space movements such as backing, turnabouts, and parking.
8. understand the human functions of driving such as visual scanning, detection and perception, evaluation, risk assessment, and decision making.
9. discuss different driving environments and the effect that the weather can have on these situations.
10. evaluate ways in which attitudes, emotions, and peer pressure affect a driver.
11. explain correct procedures for sharing the roadway with other users.
12. analyze the influence of alcohol and other drugs on driving.
13. relate the basic facts about vehicle insurance.
14. describe the correct procedures for responding to emergency situations.

15. apply the IPDE process to every traffic situation you encounter.

## **Course Outline**

### Unit 1: The Driving Task

- Lesson 1 You are the Driver
- Lesson 2 Traffic Signs, Signals and Roadway Markings
- Lesson 3 Basic Vehicle Controls
- Lesson 4 Basic Vehicle Maneuvers
- Unit 1 Evaluation

### Unit 2: Being a Responsible Driver

- Lesson 5 Using the IPDE Process to Manage Risk
- Lesson 6 Driver Conditions
- Lesson 7 Alcohol, Drugs, and Driving
- Lesson 8 Managing Distractions
- Unit 2 Evaluation
- Progress Test 1

### Unit 3: Controlling Your Vehicle

- Lesson 9 Vehicle Control and the Laws of Nature
- Lesson 10 Intersections
- Lesson 11 Sharing the Roadway
- Lesson 12 Driving in Adverse Conditions
- Lesson 13 Emergency Situations
- Unit 3 Evaluation

### Unit 4: Driving in Different Environments

- Lesson 14 Driving in Towns and Cities
- Lesson 15 Rural Driving
- Lesson 16 Multi-lane Highway and Interstate Driving
- Unit 4 Evaluation
- Progress Test 2

## **Required Textbook and Materials**

(available through Follett virtual bookstore at <http://highschool.nebraska.bkstr.com>)

Textbook: Drive Right, 11th Edition. Pearson Education, 2010. (ISBN: 9780133672664)