



## A QUICK LOOK AT HEAVY EQUIPMENT COLLEGES OF AMERICA'S HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS LEVEL ONE PROGRAM



### 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 stable, well-paying employment in high demand occupations.

### WHY HEC?

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

### HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS LEVEL ONE PROGRAM

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, in addition to heavy equipment safety, preventive maintenance, and construction site fundamentals such as grades and elevations, soil properties and blueprint reading.

Level 1 training will qualify you for 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

**JOB PLACEMENT  
ASSISTANCE  
AVAILABLE**

**HOUSING  
PROVIDED**

**OUR SCHOOL IS ELIGIBLE FOR  
VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFITS,  
POST 9-11 GI BILL™**

**CERTIFIED  
AND JOB-READY  
IN AS LITTLE AS  
3 WEEKS**

### 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 handicaps. 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.**

### WHERE GRADS ARE WORKING

In addition to oil, gas, railroad, waste disposal and recycling, graduates from HEC are eligible for a variety of jobs in construction and aggregate industries, including 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:** <http://HeavyEquipmentCollege.com/career-services>



### LOCATIONS

**Alabama** 3299 County Road 25, Suite A, Dothan, Alabama 36303 - (866) 362-6497

**Georgia** 581 Sigman Road, Suite 300, Conyers, GA 30013 - (888) 504-5208

**North Carolina** 1909 Bragg Blvd, Suite 94, Fayetteville, NC 28303 - (800) 514-9495

**Northern California** 409 12th Street, Modesto, CA 95354 - (800) 870-975

**Oklahoma** 6101 W. Reno Avenue, Suite 1000, Oklahoma City, OK 73127 - (888) 616-5447

**Southern California** 1955 West 9th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92411 - (888) 314-8954

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the student experience, call

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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 405-491-4400. You may also visit <http://www.gibill.va.gov/> to learn more about the available benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Heavy Equipment Colleges of America cannot guarantee employment or career advancement or any particular earnings or salary.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS  
LEVEL ONE

## “WHAT DOES THE TRAINING CONSIST OF?”

Students may enroll in the Heavy Equipment Operations Level 1 program and 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 Wheel loader.

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 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 complete. 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/>

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national average pay for Heavy Equipment Operators will vary, depending upon where you live. For example some of our students have started out at very high rates working on scale or prevailing wage jobs (i.e. road construction or federal projects). We suggest students look up the wage scale online for your region. Getting started in this field should always be looked at as a process. The process starts with getting certified, and then getting some experience.

## “HOW MUCH IS YOUR SCHOOL? WHAT DOES THAT INCLUDE?”

Each level costs approximately \$10,000.00 and can vary a little bit by state. Speak with your Senior Enrollment Rep for a detailed cost listing.

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.

In some cases, those who qualify may be eligible for State or Federal Grants.