

# Free Motorcycle Skills Courses



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## **I want to learn how to ride.**

Have you wanted to learn how to ride but didn't know how to get started? Or, maybe you have some riding experience but it has been awhile since you have been on a motorcycle. The motorcycle rider course is for you!

## **What is the motorcycle rider course?**

The motorcycle rider course is a 20 hour multimedia training program that includes both classroom and "hands-on" instruction. It is designed to teach essential street riding skills and develop riding strategies. The motorcycles, helmets and textbooks are provided for each student's use.

## **Who is eligible to enroll?**

Illinois residents who are at least 16 years of age are eligible to enroll if they have a valid drivers license or instruction permit. Residency is normally established by living within the state. Military personnel, their dependents and students enrolled in Illinois schools are considered residents for the purpose of enrolling in these courses. The ability to balance and ride a bicycle is expected. Persons under 18 years of age need the written consent of a parent or legal guardian.

## **I already have a motorcycle and ride it regularly.**

If you are a licensed rider with at least one year of riding experience (or are a beginner rider course graduate with at least six months experience) and can provide your own street legal motorcycle that is in good mechanical repair, then the experienced rider course is for you. This 8 hour course will develop advanced braking and steering skills under the supervision of certified instructors while aboard your own motorcycle and present material on handling dynamics and traction management. Enrollment eligibility requirements are the same as those listed above. Approved Department of Transportation helmets and proof of valid insurance are required without exception.

## **Why are the courses offered?**

The beginner rider courses and the experienced rider courses are offered to reduce the likelihood and severity of crash involvement by teaching risk management skills and developing essential riding skills through both classroom and riding instruction.

## **How do I enroll?**

To register for a beginner rider course or an experienced rider course, refer to the [map](#) of the state of Illinois then contact the appropriate university by "clicking on" your county of residence.

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