



## MOTORCYCLE RIDER COURSES 2022

### Introductory Motorcycle Experience (IME)

This two-hour experience provides students with an opportunity to become familiar with a motorcycle/scooter and its controls in a low-risk, controlled environment. It is designed for the student who has no riding experience and isn't sure whether or not they should take formal training. You will not learn how to ride a motorcycle/scooter, but you will experience its operational characteristics through an initial hands-on experience, allowing you to consider the possibility of formally learning to ride. You should consider yourself successful in this course regardless of whether you choose to learn to ride or not. This experience does not guarantee success in the Basic RiderCourse (BRC). Group size is limited to three students. You do not need a motorcycle permit for this introductory course.

Meet the coach in [Parking Lot I](#). If you enter on North Road, it is the first parking lot on your left. Plan to arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of your class.

#### What to Bring:

- Please review, print and sign the following documents and bring with you to class: [Motorcycle Safety Course waiver and indemnification form](#), [a COVID-19 waiver](#) and complete a [student information form](#).
- DOT approved helmet - Full-Face recommended, eye protection, full-fingered gloves, over-the-ankle boots (no sneakers, no heels more than 1"), long sleeve shirt or jacket and sturdy long jeans or riding pants (no holes). Wear layers and bring rain gear.
- Bring one or two bottles of water and snacks.
- **Students age 16-18** must have the [Motorcycle Safety Foundation RiderCourse Waiver](#) **signed by a parent and notarized**. It is your responsibility to obtain a copy by calling (518) 629-7339. You cannot ride without it and no refund will be given.

#### COVID-19 Protocols

- As the guidance related to COVID-19 virus continues to evolve, our protocols and plans will be updated accordingly. Please visit the [COVID-19 Information page](#) often for updates.
- All SUNY colleges must comply with New York State's mandatory COVID-19 vaccination and booster policy for all students coming to campus. A copy of your vaccination card can be emailed to [communityed@hvcc.edu](mailto:communityed@hvcc.edu) or uploaded on the [COVID-19 Information page](#). Please note: You will need your Hudson Valley username and password to upload your card. The vaccination card must be sent prior to the first-class meeting date.
- A campus-wide mask policy requires masks to be worn by individuals, regardless of vaccination status, whenever they are indoors on campus.

#### Frequently Asked Questions



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**Q: What is the MSF Introductory Motorcycle Experience (IME)?**

A: The MSF IME is designed to be an experience, not a training course. Participants are not taking this program to learn to ride. The only objective is to experience a motorcycle's operational characteristics through an initial hands-on experience in a low risk and controlled environment. The sole purpose is to allow the participant to consider the possibility of formally learning to ride. Each participant will have his or her own unique experience.

**Q: Does it matter how tall I am?**

A: If you have a short inseam (less than 28" to ground with boots) please call ahead to be sure we have a motorcycle that will "fit" you.

**Q: Is the IME a formal training event?**

A: No. This is not a course for learning to ride, but rather an introductory experience to a motorcycle, its controls and their operation. This program is a success regardless of the choice to learn to ride or not; however, if participants choose to ride, the experience will help them recognize the need for formal training.

**Q: Will the IME provide a licensing test waiver or completion card?**

A: No. Completion of the IME course will give the participant information on whether or not they wish to proceed with formal training for licensing.

**Q: Who should take the IME?**

A: The experience is designed for anyone interested in becoming more familiar with a motorcycle and its basic controls. Having no motorcycling experience as an operator is preferred.

**Q: Is balancing a two-wheeler (bicycle) required?**

A: No. Participants do not ride in the IME.

**Q: How many participants can participate in an IME at one time?**

A: This event design allows for a maximum of three participants with one IME RiderCoach.

**Q: Is there any formal classroom work in the IME?**

A: No. This event is conducted on the IME range.

**Q: Are the requirements for personal protective gear for the IME the same as the BRC?**

A: Yes, please wear the protective gear listed on page 1 of this document.

**Q: Should I sign up for the Basic RiderCourse (BRC) at the same time I sign up for the IME?**

A: Yes, you can but it's not required. If you choose to, you should register for a BRC that is at least two weeks after your IME. Please refer to the [Motorcycle Cancellation and Refund Policy](#), which includes important information, should you need to withdraw from the class.