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#### **UAA** Members,

Thank You to all of our Voters! That overwhelming 99% approval underscores the membership's strong commitment to ensuring broad participation and a more inclusive election process. This significant endorsement paves the way for the bylaw amendment to take effect, meaning the election for the 2026 Board of Trustees will indeed shift to a Fall cycle, opening October 1st and closing October 20th.

This revised timeline directly addresses the need to provide more faculty and staff with the opportunity to cast their votes upon their return to campus. Furthermore, the alignment with the annual UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference & Expo offers a valuable chance for members to engage with candidates, fostering a more informed electorate. This successful vote truly exemplifies the member-driven nature of UAA, reinforcing its dedication to democratic control and representation within the organization.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all our voters who participated in the Bylaws Vote to Change our UAA Board Election Cycle! Your commitment to Collegiate Aviation Education keeps UAA moving forward.

#### Proposed paragraph change:

#### Section 5.08 Nomination and Election

Nominees will be voted on by the membership by written ballot or electronic means. Voting will commence no earlier than Labor Day, and will conclude no later than October 31st each year.

Candidates receiving the highest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected. The Secretary shall be responsible for counting the votes and presenting the results to the current Board of Trustees for validation prior to the annual meeting of the membership. Newly-elected Trustees shall take office January 1st of the year following the election.

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# Nominate Leaders for the UAA Board of Trustees

Shape the future of aviation! Nominations are now open for the 2026 UAA Board of Trustees. This is your chance to make a significant impact on your association and the aviation profession. Each year, UAA members elect individuals to our governing Board, which includes five Officers and fifteen Trustees representing both academic institutions and the wider industry.

Nominations are being accepted for five (5) Board of Trustees positions:

- Treasurer 2 year term
- Secretary 2 year term
- Educator Trustee 2 positions, 3 year term
- Industry Trustee 2 position, 3 year term
- Member at Large 1 position, 3 year term

Each position is elected by ballot of the membership. Election results will be announced at the UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference being held October 1-3, 2025 in OC/Costa Mesa, CA, and will join the Board of Trustees January 1, 2026.

#### Click here to submit your nomination.

#### The deadline to nomiate is May 19, 2025

If you have questions, please reach out to Dawn Vinson at dawn.vinson@uaa.aero OR (901) 563-0505.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Individuals may self nominate. Nominating someone does not guaranteed their placement on the ballot. The nominations committee strives to develop a well-rounded ballot representative of membership as a whole and without duplicate college or institution representation among trustees.





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# 2025 MSAA Fly-in & Career Day Highlights



The Memphis Student Aviation Association Fly-in & Career Day event continues to expand aviation education and career opportunities in the Midsouth.

In their second year in a row! The 2025 Fly-in Memphis was a success that welcomed 650+ attendees between exhibitors and guests. Some of the aircraft made available in exhibition during the event were the CRJ 550, Dassault Falcon 7X,Cessna Caravan, Cessna 177, Cessna 172, RV12, Diamond DA40, and TH-78.



This year's event featured three new speaker sessions: Terry Blue, Memphis International Airport CEO, Presented "A Day in the Life of an Airport Manager at Memphis International"; FedEx 767 Captain and WAI Member Board of Directors, Kandy Bernskoetter, discussed "Landing an Aviation Scholarship"; and Jorge Gomez, Aviation Outreach Coordinator, Shared resources and discussed "Careers in Aviation & UAA Scholarships."



Dear university Aviation Association Team

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for awarding me the Joseph Frasca Excellence in Aviation Scholarship last summer. I apologize for not reaching out sooner, but I want to assure you that your generosity has made a meaningful impact on my education and career path.

Thanks to your support, I was able to continue my flight training without financial strain, allowing me to fully focus on my studies and achieve a significant milestone. During my instrument training, there was a moment where I was on the verge of giving up, it was underiably the most challenging rating I've completed.

Since receiving the scholarship, I have earned my instrument rating without any failures and I am now pursuing my commercial license that's anticipated to be completed in July 2025. Your scholarship played a crucial role in my journey, especially in covering the checkride fee. Without your support, I wouldn't have been able to take that final step and obtain this rating.

Beyond the financial assistance, receiving this scholarship strengthened my drive for aviation and motivated me to push forward despite some bumps along my journey. It also inspired me to stay involved in organizations that support future aviators, such as Women in Aviation International, my university's flight team and Pilot N Paws. I hope to one day pay it forward and support future students just as you have supported me.



Once again, thank you for your generosity and investment into my future. Your support has helped motivate me to continue on, and I am incredibly beyond grateful. I look forward to keeping you updated on my progress as I continue flying toward my dreams.

I've attached a photo from my checkride to share this achievement with you. Thank you again for everything! -- Lana Huetson







## **Dallas College Launches 13-Month A&P Program**



Redbird Airport-based curriculum is seen as a win-win for graduates and local industry.

Dallas College announced its new Aviation Maintenance Technology program today. The program launched on Tuesday (April 1) and prepares students for the FAA Airframe & Powerplant (A&P) technician certificate. The college operates the largely handson A&P program from a hangar at Dallas Redbird Airport (KRBD).

The 13-month curriculum will also provide access to classrooms at the Dallas College Workforce Center located at KRBD. School officials note that there are more than 900 aerospace-oriented companies in the region, representing a total of one-sixth of all employment. Median salaries for A&P-rated mechanics and technicians are estimated as \$80,000 per year.

Dr. Macario Hernandez, Dallas College Mountain View president and aviation sector lead, said, "Aerospace education is essential for maintaining our region's status as an industry leader. It's a win-win as we provide students with a clear pathway to high-paying, in-demand careers, and our business partners benefit from a stronger local talent pipeline."

Students will benefit from an industrydriven curriculum, taught by experienced instructors with years of aviation expertise. The program prepares students for FAA General, Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) exams through hands-on training in a state-of-the-art hangar located at Dallas Executive Airport.

This program is a real game-changer for our region. With over 900 aerospace companies representing a huge chunk of our local employment, there's a massive demand for skilled A&P technicians. From UAA's perspective, this is a true win-win. The students gain valuable skills and access to high-paying jobs, and our local aerospace industry gets a much needed boost from a stronger pipeline of talented professionals. Their industry-driven curriculum, taught by experienced folks, will give students the hands-on training they need in their state-of-the-art hangar to ace their FAA exams. -- UAA

# The Student Pilot's Flight Manual

A ground school textbook, maneuvers manual, and syllabus all rolled into one, The Student Pilot's Flight Manual provides a step-by-step comprehensive course for student pilots working towards a Private or Sport Pilot Certificate. This authoritative volume from the legendary flight instructor William K. Kershner, edited by his son, William C. Kershner, presents a wealth of practical information, while encouraging student pilot decision making. The fundamentals of flying are clearly described in a methodical yet informal manner that a learner can easily absorb with detailed references to maneuvers and procedures and fully illustrated including the author's original drawings.

A gathering of material used in preflight and postflight briefings accompanies in-flight instruction, all provided by one of the greatest flight instructors of our time. A synopsis of what to expect for your FAA Knowledge Exam and checkride will reassure any student or renewing pilot. Intended to do more than help you "get past" the exam and checkride—this book also features the essential information used in the day-to-day processes of flying airplanes. Click to learn more.



# Inspiring DreamLaunch at Hampton University

On behalf of Hampton University, The School of Engineering, Architecture, and Aviation (SEAA), and the Aviation Department, I want to thank you for the excellent visit to Hampton University "Our Home By The Sea." The DreamLaunch presentation was an out-of-the-park "Home Run," your discussions with our faculty and students were inspiring and informative. Special thanks for meeting with our OBAP Ascension leadership and listening to their Hampton experience, training successes, and challenges. You gave our students "golden nuggets" of wisdom for acquiring scholarship opportunities. Your passion for aviation excellence is infectious, and you energized all. Students are still abuzz about your presentation and want to know more about you and your aviation journey. Thanks to University Aviation Association for the sponsorship and making the connection with the 2025 DreamLaunch Tour.

-- Orestes D. Gooden, Hampton University

Industry







# **UAA Announcing the 2025 TAA** \$5,000 Scholarship Winner

The Tennessee Aviation Association (TAA), a dedicated organization committed to championing the interests of airports throughout the Volunteer State, recently bestowed a significant \$5,000 scholarship upon Brandon Carroll, a promising student from the University of Memphis. With a core mission centered on fostering robust communication and mutual understanding within the diverse aviation community, the TAA's scholarship program actively invests in the development of the next generation of skilled professionals who will shape the future of the industry. This financial award not only recognizes Brandon Carroll's academic achievements and potential but also underscores the TAA's ongoing commitment to nurturing talent and ensuring a vibrant future for aviation in Tennessee.

# NOW OPEN! UAA Student Poster Competition

Graduate and Undergraduate students can participate in our research poster competition, gaining the opportunity to present their findings at the conference and have their work featured on the UAA website (www.uaa.aero). All accepted entries will be posted in a public area of the UAA conference for judging and public viewing by members and the general public. Winners will be announced at the 2025 UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference, and cash awards will be given in both the undergraduate and graduate categories. First, second, and third place winners in both categories will receive cash awards of \$1,000, \$500, and \$250, respectively. All participants will receive certificates of accomplishment.

Abstracts must be less than 250 words. Click here --> https://www.uaa.aero/uaa\_78th\_collegiate\_aviation\_e.php

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Fabian Lim FliteSim.com	Annaliese Hornback South Dakota State University		
Academic Professional	Noah Hankinson Lewis University		
Andres Alvarez Jr College University Aviation Career Advisor	Robert Kennedy Delaware State University		
Michael Gref Middle Tennessee State University	<b>Noel Kisanga</b> Clover Park Technical College		
Amanda Vansickle Burnt River School	Ethan Powell Embry Riddle Aeronautical University		
Student	Mary Smith Liberty University		
<b>Isabelle Ersland</b> University of North Dakota	Cole Staples Liberty University		

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AWARD AMOUNT: \$2,000 At least one (1) \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded. NOW OPEN!











# Nominations Now Being Accepted for the UAA Awards of Excellence

Nominations are now being accepted, for the 2025 UAA annual awards presentations. The Estridge distinguished industry supporter of collegiate aviation award, the Laursen

Outstanding Contributions to Aerospace Education Award, and the Sorenson Professional Educator Award, tthe Wheatley Experienced Outstanding Contributions to Aerospace Education

Award, and the Lauber Safety Award for Achievement, and the Williamson Outstanding Service to the Collegiate Aviation Community, are all open for nominations. Click here to nominate today.

Details regarding the awards, including submission guidelines and nomination form, can be found on the UAA website at www.uaa.aero under the Resources > Awards tab.



All awards will be presented at the UAA Annual Awards Banquet to be held on October 2nd in Costa Mesa, CANo. Please note that all nominees except for the Lauber Safety Award must be actively involved as UAA members in good standing.

Nominations for the 78th UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference & Expo may be made by institutional, professional, or industry members only. Questions regarding the UAA Awards should be sent to hello@uaa.aero or phone (901) 563-0505.



#### **Advertise at the Collegiate Aviation**

Conference. Don't miss your chance to maximize your impact at the premier meeting dedicated to collegiate aviation professionals by reserving your advertising space now! The deadline for inclusion in our vibrant, full-color conference program is August 12, 2025. For nearly eight decades, this cornerstone event has propelled aviation education, and a custom advertisement offers a strategic opportunity to elevate your brand and gain direct access to the individuals shaping the future of the industry, positioning your message alongside essential event details such as opening session speakers, presenter schedules, committee meetings, and the bustling exhibit hall.

To reserve advertising space in the Conference Program, please complete this form and email it to Jorge Gomez at jgomez@uaa.aero.







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**Accepting Silent Auction Donations!** 

UAA will hold our annual Silent Auction during its 77th Collegiate Aviation Conference & Expo in Memphis, Tennessee. Proceeds from the Silent Auction will benefit the UAA Endowment Fund for scholarships and educational programs.

If you or your organization

would like to donate one or more items to the Silent Auction, download and complete the form before September 25th. Click for Auction Form.

Shipped items must be received at the UAA headquarters in Memphis by September 25, 2025, or hand-delivered to the registration counter at the UAA's 2025 Collegiate Aviation Education Conference & Expo. Donate today.

Although not required, aviation-themed items normally spark the most of enthusiasm among bidders.

#### SUGGESTED ITEMS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

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- Model Aircraft
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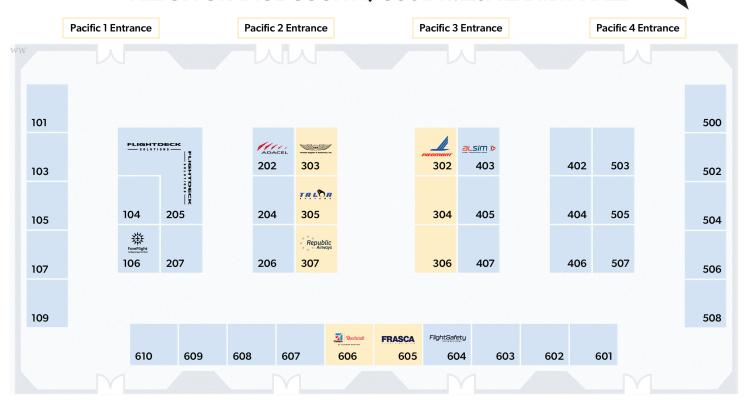
## **Invitation to Exhibit**

The annual UAA Collegiate Aviation Conference serves as the premier platform for college and university educators, highlighting cutting-edge programs in the field through presentations from government agencies, academic experts, and safety professionals dedicated to advancing best practices in aviation education; this exceptional event brings together university administrators, faculty, and students representing the full spectrum of aviation disciplines, including flight, maintenance, air traffic control, unmanned aerial systems, and airline and airport management, offering attendees and exhibitors extensive networking opportunities to connect with leading figures driving advancements in aviation education during the three-day event held October 1-3, 2025, in Orange County/Costa Mesa, California.

# CLICK HERE to Register for an Exhibitor Booth Online!

Act fast! A 10' x 8' Standard Booth is priced at \$2,575 for members and \$3,375 for non-members. Prime booth spaces are being reserved quickly. Refer to the exhibit hall layout below to choose your optimal location.

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Would you like to learn more about our monthly newsletter? Contact our dedicated member services manager, Jorge Gomez, who is happy to answer your questions. Call (901) 563-0505 or email jgomez@uaa.aero.





# **Shape the Future of Aviation!**

Shape the future of aviation and leave your mark on the industry! University Aviation Association (UAA) is now accepting nominations for its 2026 Board of Trustees. This is an exceptional opportunity to make a real difference within your association and the broader aviation profession.

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#### Ready to step up and contribute...Submit Nomination Here.

Please be aware that all positions are decided by a vote of the UAA membership. The results of this important election will be announced at the UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference, taking place October 1-3, 2025, in the vibrant OC/Costa Mesa, CA. Successful candidates will officially join the Board of Trustees on January 1, 2026.

#### **Important Considerations:**

- You are welcome to nominate yourself for a position.
- Please note that submitting a nomination does not automatically guarantee a place on the final ballot.
- The nominations committee strives to develop a well-rounded ballot representative of membership as a whole and without duplicate college or institution representation among trustees.

Don't miss this chance to play a pivotal role in shaping the trajectory of aviation education and the UAA! Your expertise and vision can help steer the association towards a bright future.

# **UAA V.P. Update**



I was notified I was selected for promotion to full Professor at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. I started down the path to become an academic in 2011, so today culminates nearly 14 years of exhaustive work. During that time, I completed a doctoral degree; published 36 peer-reviewed articles; wrote 5 editorreviewed papers; authored 7 major technical reports; co-authored one book chapter; conducted 67 scholarly/industry presentations; engaged in 79 media interviews; served on 15 Ph.D. dissertation committees; taught 25 different courses (from two institutions); funded three graduate research assistants; and, amassed an externally-funded research portfolio of more than \$10M. Whew, I'm tired--but, engaged and ready for the next challenge! Bring it on!

-- Dr. Ryan Wallace



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Our **Safety Management System** provides a structured, auditable, and verifiable safety management system that includes hazard/risk management, anonymous or identified incidents/concern inputs, investigation, findings corrective actions, audits, detailed coding and comprehensive reporting and trending for long term and continuous safety improvements.





### **NASA Human Factors Expert Webinar**



You're invited to an insightful webinar on May 21, 2025, from 3:30 PM to 4:00 PM Central Daylight Time.

This session promises a unique learning experience as it will feature insights from Nick Kiriokos, a highly respected Human Factors expert at the National

Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Mr. Kiriokos will be sharing his extensive knowledge on the critical role of Human Factors and will illuminate the significant ways in which these principles influence the intricate dynamics of the maintenance environment.

This live presentation, which aims to be both insightful and engaging, will be moderated by Skip DuRand. To ensure convenient access for all interested individuals, the webinar will be hosted on the Zoom platform. This is a publicly accessible event, and we welcome anyone and everyone who possesses a keen interest in expanding their understanding of this vital and increasingly important field of Human Factors. We believe this webinar will offer valuable perspectives for professionals, students, and enthusiasts alike.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ PB8wS5Y2QweEVuyzMTKdHA

Feel free to contact Dr. Michael Berry with any questions at (661) 615-5915, extension 1845.

#### Texas A&M to Lead FAA's Advanced **Aviation Center**



WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. **Transportation Secretary Sean** P. Duffy and U.S. Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) today announced that Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) will be the managing entity to establish and operate the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)'s Center for Advanced Aviation Technologies (CAAT).

"Texas is the perfect place for our new Center for Advanced Aviation Technologies. Under Senator Cruz's leadership, the state has already established itself as a leader in commercial drone safety testing," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy. "From drones delivering your packages to powered lift technologies like air taxis, we are at the cusp of an aviation revolution. The CAAT will ensure we make that dream a reality and unleash American innovation safely."

The CAAT will play a pivotal role in advancing aviation technologies and ensuring their safe integration into the National Airspace System. The center will also represent a collaboration between government, academia, and industry to drive innovation in aviation.

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# **Embry-Riddle Students Developing Life-Saving Rescue Drone**

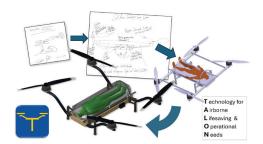


Embry-Riddle student team, along with Dr. Kyle Collins (far left), stands in the Eagle Flight Research Center hangar. (Photo: Patric Hruswicki/Embry-Riddle)

Vinyals i Roca, a freshman in Aerospace Engineering at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, is working with mentors and fellow students on a flying vehicle project aimed at saving lives while keeping rescuers safe. Vinyals, project manager Patric Hruswicki, project lead Victor Cova and seven other team members were recently selected by the international GoAERO Prize competition, with support from NASA, to receive funding to build a compact emergency response aircraft.

The Embry-Riddle team's aircraft prototype is called TALON, which stands for Technology for Airborne Lifesaving and Operational Needs. The vehicle takes off and lands vertically, like a helicopter, and is an uncrewed aerial vehicle. Development of the aircraft has so far been funded by the Eagle Flight Research Center at the Daytona Beach Campus.

The alternative proposed by the Embry-Riddle team is a costeffective vehicle that could rescue people in such high-altitude emergencies and in a wide range of other emergency situations. This includes retrieving flood victims, withdrawing firefighters on a burning hillside or quickly transporting a first responder in a dense, traffic-clogged urban environment, among other possibilities.



Its passenger compartment holds a standard stretcher. It can deliver a first responder to someone needing to be rescued, and the first responder can then attend

to the person and load them into the aircraft for transport. If the person needing to be rescued is not injured, the vehicle could be sent empty to pick the person up and deliver him or her to safety.

Among 14 finalists in the GoAERO competition, Embry-Riddle's TALON Lift team will continue refining their concept, hoping to advance to a flyoff scheduled to take place in 2027.

# PAUL A. WHELAN SCHOLARSHIP

The 2025 Paul A. Whelan Scholarship supports men and women pursuing a future in aviation and or space related fields. The scholarship offers opportunities to emerging aviation professionals to achieve their academic goals and contribute their talents to the aviation industry.

**AWARD AMOUNT: \$2,000** 

At least one (1) \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded.



#### **DEADLINE**

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025







INTERNATIONAL

# 2025 William E. Downes Jr. Memorial Award

ACI-NA is currently seeking nominations for the 2025 William E. Downes, Jr. Memorial Award, ACI-NA's most prestigious award, named for Bill Downes, the former commissioner of aviation for the City of Chicago from 1959 to 1975.

The award recognizes outstanding excellence in the field of airport management in the U.S. and Canada.

# The eligible nominee must meet at least one of the following criteria in their career:

- Outstanding leadership and action in the cause of airport or aviation management;
- Successful work for acceptance, development and support of needed airport programs;
- Fostering cooperation among various segments of aviation, with the result of better airports; or
- A creative approach to solving today's problems with a plan for future airport and aviation development.

#### **Selection Process:**

- Nominees may not be current ACI-NA Official Representative members.
- The recipient of this award must have made a significant and outstanding contribution to airports or aviation.
- Nominations must be submitted following the format of the nomination form.
- All nominations must be submitted by 5 p.m. ET on Friday, May 16.
- The Downes Award Committee will present a recommendation to the ACI-NA Board.
- The 2025 recipient will be notified in advance.
- The 2025 Downes Award will be presented at the 2025 ACI-NA & ACI World Annul General Assembly, Conference and Exhibition, Toronto, ON, Canada.

#### The deadline for nominations is Friday, May 16 by 5 PM ET.

Please click here to read more about the award and submit a nomination. You must have an ACI-NA member login to access the nomination form. Please e-mail nominations to **Veronica Wynn**. Submissions received will then be forwarded to the ACI-NA Downes Award Committee.

## **NAA Call for Award Nominations**



For over a century, the National Aeronautic Association (NAA) has been the official custodian of United States aviation records and accolades, preserving the legacy of aeronautic excellence. A cornerstone of NAA's mission is to honor individuals and organizations that have made

significant contributions to the art, sport, and science of aviation and spaceflight. Each year, NAA bestows more than a dozen prestigious awards, celebrating groundbreaking achievements that shape the future of aerospace innovation and exploration. The longevity and prestige of NAA awards is a testament to their enduring significance and influence, shaping the landscape of recognition across generations.

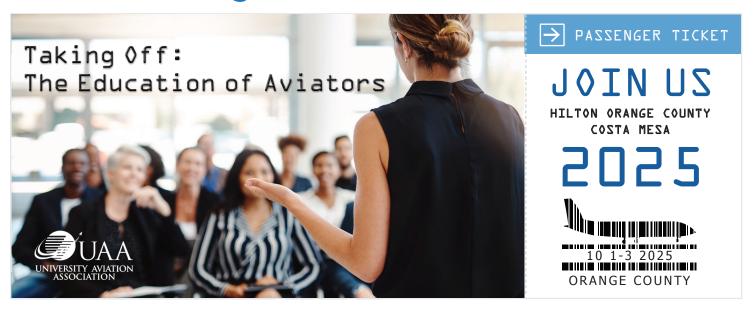
# The nomination period for the following awards are open, please note deadlines:

- Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy Deadline June 2nd
- Distinguished Statesman & Stateswoman of Aviation Deadline June 2nd
- Frank G. Brewer Trophy Deadline June 2nd
- Public Benefit Flying Award Deadline June 2nd
- Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) Awards Deadline April 30th

For questions, please contact Tina Wu at twu@naa.aero.



# **UAA 78th Collegiate Aviation Education Conference**





#### **About the Conference**

Join us for the 2025 Collegiate Aviation Education Conference & Expo in Orange County. University Aviation Association's premier education event will be held from October 1st to 3rd, 2025, at the Hilton Orange County/ Costa Mesa, California.

#### Learn, Network, Connect!

The annual collegiate aviation conference is your go-to platform for staying informed about the latest trends, best practices, and advancements in aviation education. Discover insights from government agencies, university professionals, researchers, safety experts, and industry leaders.

#### **Key Highlights:**

#### **Networking Opportunities:**

Connect with over 400 attendees, 70<sup>+</sup> colleges and universities, airlines, government agencies, and international industry experts.

#### **Educational Insights:**

Attend more than 40 thought-provoking education sessions led by 85<sup>+</sup> experts in collegiate aviation.

#### **Industry Showcase:**

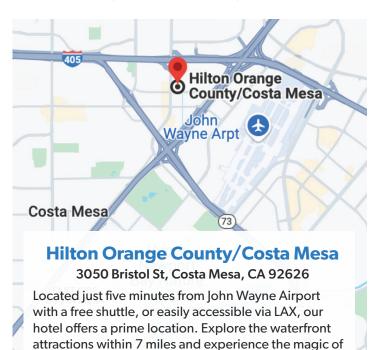
Explore the latest innovations from 50<sup>+</sup> exhibitors.

#### **Collaborative Discussions:**

Participate in committee meetings focused on shaping industry policies, practices, and researched publications.

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- Gain valuable knowledge and skills
- Build relationships with peers and industry professionals
- Explore career opportunities
- Advance your aviation career goals



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#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**



# **Central Washington University Full-Time Lecturer**

Central Washington University is recruiting a Lecturer to join our Aviation team in Ellensburg, Washington. This role is an important member of our team as they enhance the vision for the University. The role is a campus-based position, which means you get to see the lives you are impacting. We're offering a salary, depending on education and experience, from \$42,750 - \$53,460 annually plus the awesome CWU benefits.

#### Who We Are

We are a team of individuals committed to Changing Students' Lives. No matter what job, each of us plays a part in supporting and empowering our students to fulfill their dreams.

Working in higher education provides career growth and career choice. Think of a university campus like a mini city, operating across 380 acres. You'll find diverse academics, libraries, athletics and sporting events, full service and quick serve dining, conferences and events from small to large, recreation centers, housing, health services, police and public safety for the campus population of  $\sim 10,000$  students.

#### What We Offer

Our investment in you begins the day you join our team, a healthy and successful future for you is important to us. We offer medical, dental, life and disability insurance, retirement and optional savings plans, tuition assistance for you and your dependents, discounts across town, an employee assistance program for individualized counseling, and a wellness incentive program. Learn more: Benefits, Perks, and Leave.

#### The Role

The Aviation Department at CWU is accepting applications to fill a current full-time lecturer position to teach lecture and/or simulator lab classes in the courses/subject areas listed below. This list is not all inclusive: other courses/subject areas may become available within the department. Flight Courses: FAA ground school classes (Private, instrument, commercial, multiengine, CFI, and CFII) and meteorology. Aviation Management Courses: Air Transportation, Aviation Data Analysis, International Aviation Management, Aviation Marketing, Aviation Career Planning and Professionalism, and Airport Management related courses.

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

- Master's Degree (with advanced flight ratings to teach Aviation Flight Courses; with five years aviation industry experience to teach Aviation Management Courses).
- Excellent communication skills including basic computer knowledge, including but not limited to use of multimedia and online course delivery.
- Demonstrated ability and/or experience working collaboratively with students and/or colleagues to foster a supportive and effective learning and work environment.

#### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Doctoral Degree in Aviation or related field.
- FAA flight instructor certificate.
- Background and experience to teach in all of the areas listed above.
- Primary & advanced flight training in airplanes; CFI with minimum 1500 hours civilian CFI experience in airplanes.
- Experience in instructing in multi-engine FTD; s (simulators).
- Collegiate aviation teaching experience.
- Recent turbine-engine flight experience; multi-engine rating, MEI: CFII.
- Demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for students through various activities.

#### Pay & Work Schedule

Annual Salary: \$42,750 - \$53,460 based on a full-time ninemonth appointment.

In accordance with RCW 49.58.110, the above salary reflects the full salary range for this position. Individual placement within the range is based on the candidate's current experience, education, skills, and abilities related to the position.

#### **Appointment**

Temporary, Non-Tenure Track, 9 Month Appointment. Additional Summer teaching may be available. Central Washington University is on the quarter system with appointments from mid-September through mid-June.

#### **Benefits**

CWU offers a comprehensive benefits package including health insurance, retirement and optional savings plans, life and disability insurance. CWU Benefits, Perks & Discounts Overview.

#### **Additional Information**

For additional information about the University, visit: http://www.cwu.edu

For additional information about Ellensburg, visit: http://www.myellensburg.com

OR http://www.kittitascountychamber.com

#### **How To Apply**

To apply for this position, you must complete the on-line application and attach: https://cwuhrprdcg.peoplesoft.cwu.edu/psp/careers/EMPLOYEE/CAREERS/c/HRS\_HRAM\_FL.HRS\_CG\_SEARCH\_FL.GBL?Page=HRS\_APP\_JBPST\_

- A cover letter;
- Resume/Vitae including contact information (names, address, phone number, and e-mail address) for three professional references; and
- A copy of transcripts for the highest degree held.
- \*\*Applicants must also provide copies of FAA CFI or AGI/IGI certificate and current FAA medical certificate if appropriate.

Screening Begins: May 15, 2025







#### Central Washington University Chief Flight Instructor

Central Washington University is recruiting a Chief Flight Instructor to join our Aviation team in Ellensburg, Washington. This role is an important member of our team as they enhance the vision for the University. The role is a campus-basedposition, which means you get to see the lives you are impacting. We're offering a salary, depending on experience, from \$81,000 - \$100,000 annually plus the awesome CWU benefits.

#### The Role

The principle function of the Chief Flight Instructor is to accomplish safe, efficient and quality flight training that complies with Central Washington University and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) policies and procedures. Provide supervision to the Flight & Ground Instructor Pilots. Responsible to the Director of Special Operations in the management of flight training to include safety of training, quality of training, student service and student progress. This position plays a vital role in shaping the vision, mission, and values of Central Washington University by enhancing the Aviation Professional Pilot Program as the trusted choice for aspiring pilots. They create a work and learning environment built on trust, accountability, excellence, safety, and stewardship. This important position will influence the future of aviation by promoting a culture that embodies these principles, all within an academic framework that emphasizes innovation and professional integrity in flight training and education. All employees are expected to uphold and contribute to CWU's vision, mission, and values, fostering a culture of student success and institutional excellence.

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in aviation or related field.
- Meets the Chief Instructor requirements of 14 CFR §141.35(a),
   (c) and (d).
  - Meets recent flight experience of PIC general experience in accordance with 14 CFR §61.57(a) and instrument experience in accordance with 14 CFR §61.57(c) or (d).
  - Must satisfactorily pass a knowledge and flight proficiency test with the Flight Standards District Office's (FSDO)
     Principal Operations Inspector (POI), in accordance with 14 CFR §141.35(d)(3) and (4).
  - At least 2,000 hours as PIC;
  - At least 100 hours of flight time under actual or simulated instrument conditions; and
  - Flight training experience as a certified flight instructor or an instructor in a military pilot flight training program
    - 3 years and a total of 1,000 flight hours; or
    - 1,500 flight hours.
- Minimum three (3) years of flight training experience, including at least two (2) years of supervisory experience.
- Valid state driver's license or government issued photo ID.

- Valid FAA Medical Certificate or BasicMed.
- Meets the flight review requirements in accordance with 14 CFR §61.56.
- Complex endorsement in accordance with 14 CFR §61.31(e).
- Must satisfactorily complete an evaluation/standardization check flight with the CWU Assistant Chief Instructor or designee.
- Must authorize CWU to examine FAA Accident/Incident file.
- Demonstrated commitment to fostering a culture of collaboration, respect, and institutional excellence through leadership and engagement with students and/or colleagues.

#### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Master's degree in aviation or related disciplines.
- Experience as a full-time flight instructor in a FAA Part 141 flight school.
- Any airplane type rating in accordance with 61.31(a).
- Experience in the following aircraft: Piper Archer, Seminole, Warrior III, and Cessna 172.
- Experience in Frasca RTD Advanced Aviation Training Device (AATD).
- Experience in Garmin G1000NXi, G500NXi, G5, G430, and Aspen Evolution Backup Display.
- High-performance endorsement in accordance with 61.31(f).
- High altitude endorsement in accordance with 61.31(g).
- Demonstrated participation in programs designed to promote student success.
- Demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for students through various activities.

#### Pay & Work Schedule

This position has a minimum annual salary of \$80,588 and maximum annual salary of \$120,883. The Hiring Department's expected hiring range is \$81,000 - \$100,000. In accordance with RCW 49.58.110, the above salary reflects the full salary range for this position. Individual placement within the hiring range is based on the candidate's current experience, education, skills, and abilities related to the position.

#### Benefits

CWU offers a comprehensive benefits package including health insurance, retirement and optional savings plans, life and disability insurance. CWU Benefits, Perks & Discounts Overview.

#### **How To Apply**

To apply for this position, you must complete the on-line application and attach: https://cwuhrprdcg.peoplesoft.cwu.edu/psp/careers/EMPLOYEE/CAREERS/c/HRS\_HRAM\_FL.HRS\_CG\_SEARCH\_FL.GBL?Page=HRS\_APP\_JBPST

#### **Screening Begins**

#### May 9, 2025 and will be open until filled

\*\*Priority will be given to applications received by the screening date. Incomplete applications may not be considered.





#### Rocky Mountain College Chief Flight Instructor

The Aviation Program at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana invites applications for a full time 12-month position. The Chief Flight Instructor is responsible for managing CFI's and Training Course Outlines that pertain to RMC's FAA part 141 Certification and part 61 training. This position is also responsible for ensuring students obtain pilot certification necessary to fulfill graduation requirements under FAR parts 61, 91 and 141 in a cost effective manner. This person will be responsible for fulfilling the responsibilities of Chief Flight and Ground Instructor as specified in FAR part 141 and will act as the primary liaison between Flight Operations at the FAA. This person will also be responsible for assisting the Director of Flight Operations with duties including, but not limited to; safety and safety program, personnel (staffing), curriculum development, Instructor/Director of Flight Operations and Student/Director of Flight Operations liaison, SOP development and revision, Crisis Management, Aircraft Scheduling, Personnel Evaluation and general leadership and management of Flight Operations.

#### **Requirements:**

Excellent leadership, written and oral communications skills. Bachelor's degree and minimum requirements as dictated by FAR 141 for Chief Certified Flight Instructor. (Private andInstrumen trequired, Commercial preferred.) Certified Flight Instructor and Class II FAA medical certificate required. Certified Flight Instructor Instrument (CFII) required. Airline Transport Pilot (ATP) desired.

# Starting salary will be \$74,200 to \$80,000 and will be starting in July 2025

Information about Rocky Mountain College is available at <a href="https://www.rocky.edu">https://www.rocky.edu</a> Any questions regarding this position should be directed to the Director of Aviation, Dan Hargrove at dan.hargrove@rocky.edu or HumanResources at <a href="https://humanresources@rocky.edu">humanresources@rocky.edu</a> Review of applications will begin immediately until the position is filled.

#### **Benefits:**

Benefits are available for this staff position. They include medical, dental, and vision, life insurance, long term disability, short term disability, 403(b) retirement plan and tuition remission.

#### To Apply:

To apply, complete the Rocky Mountain College Staff Application. In addition, please submit a letter of interest, resume, and a list of at least three references by email to jobs@rocky.edu or by mail to RockyMountain College, Human Resources, 1511 Poly Drive, Billings, MT, 59102.

Rocky Mountain College is an equal opportunity employer.

# **Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Tenure Track Assistant Professor, Aviation Safety**

The School of Graduate Studies in the College of Aviation at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position with a strong preference for candidates with a background and expertise in aviation safety and simulation.

The Graduate School offers an MS in Aviation with specializations in Aviation Safety, Uncrewed Systems, and Space Operations. It also offers an MS in Occupational Safety Management, an MS in Uncrewed Systems, and an MS in Space Operations in a traditional on-campus format, as well as an online Ph.D. in Aviation with specializations in Aviation Safety, Aviation Human Factors, Aviation Operations, and Intradisciplinary.

The candidate will be expected to teach courses at both the doctoral and master's levels and chair Ph.D. dissertation and/or master's thesis committees. The typical teaching load is 2 to 3 courses per semester.

In addition to teaching responsibilities, the candidate is required to meet ongoing scholarly growth requirements, which include publishing scholarly work, actively pursuing and obtaining externally funded research, and presenting work at professional conferences. The candidate will also be expected to fulfill service responsibilities to the university and the profession. This faculty position will be located on the Daytona Beach campus. The candidate is required to provide instruction in both traditional classroom formats and online formats as appropriate.

#### **Required Qualifications:**

Doctorate and relevant experience in aviation safety and simulation.

#### **Preferred Qualifications:**

Ph.D. in a closely related field and teaching and research experience in aviation safety, simulation, flight data monitoring, and data analytics.

#### **Application Process/Requirements:**

To submit your application for this opportunity, please visit the Embry-Riddle Career Site and search for requisition number R309221. Please attach all relevant materials to your application when you apply online. Complete submissions include the following:

- Current CV
- Letter of application
- Ph.D. transcript (unofficial)
- Teaching philosophy
- Research plan, including research interests, strategies, and research plan

Embry-Riddle is committed to fostering a workplace where all individuals are valued and respected. We strive to ensure that all faculty, staff, and students are treated fairly and provided equal opportunities for employment, advancement, compensation, training, and other benefits of employment.







# **Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Prescott Dean of the College of Aviation**

The Dean will report directly to the Chancellor and oversee academic, operational, and financial functions within the College of Aviation. This leadership position involves building partnerships with academic leaders across campuses and defining and advancing strategic goals. The Dean will ensure high standards of integrity and professionalism among faculty and will be accessible to students. The Dean will also advocate for the College, engaging with regional, national, and international entities to shape academic offerings and promote research initiatives.

#### **Key Responsibilities:**

**Leadership and Advocacy:** Serve as an approachable leader and advocate for the College, communicating its vision to diverse stakeholders. Build enthusiasm for aviation education and foster a sense of community across the College.

**Program Innovation:** Lead the development and execution of academic programs, aligning them with industry needs, regulations, and accreditation standards. Continuously assess and improve program quality.

**Partnership Building:** Cultivate relationships with student employers, alumni, corporate partners, and foundations to increase financial support for the College and University.

**Faculty Development:** Champion faculty growth through a culture of shared governance, ensuring academic excellence and supporting faculty development.

**Student Success:** Contribute to strategies focused on student retention and success, supporting the realization of the Chancellor's strategic initiatives.

**Team Management:** Oversee a team of 40 full-time faculty, 20 part-time faculty, and 9 direct staff members. Manage 230 flight instructors and staff, overseeing over 300 daily flight activities using 90+ aircraft and advanced flight simulators.

#### **Opportunities and Challenges:**

**Strategic Vision:** Lead the creation of a cohesive vision for the College's future that aligns with Embry-Riddle's broader goals. This will involve integrating current leadership perspectives and new, innovative ideas to adapt to the changing world of aviation education.

Academic Excellence: Ensure the College maintains high academic standards while empowering faculty and supporting research-driven initiatives. Focus on student success, teaching excellence, and faculty development.

Collaborative Opportunities: Foster cross-campus collaboration and develop new opportunities for educational and research partnerships with other colleges and external organizations.

**Fundraising and Resources:** Engage alumni, foundations, and corporate partners to secure funding and resources for the College, aligning with strategic priorities.

**Financial and Academic Planning:** Work with the Chancellor and Chief Business Officer to ensure effective resource management, aligning budgeting and planning with the College's goals.

#### **Qualifications:**

Academic Credentials: The ideal candidate should hold a terminal degree, preferably in an aviation-related field, with a distinguished record of professional achievement sufficient for appointment as a tenured full professor.

Leadership Experience: The next Dean must demonstrate success in managing personnel and leading academic initiatives. Strong experience in strategic planning, faculty and student development, and fostering industry partnerships is essential.

#### **Desired Skills and Experience:**

- Expertise in implementing strategic visions that align with institutional goals and drive initiatives in student success, research, and partnerships.
- A strong commitment to supporting student success and faculty development, with a focus on collaboration.
- Proven ability to engage with development teams to support fundraising and build relationships with alumni and corporate partners.
- Experience in budgeting and resource management, working with senior leadership to ensure alignment with institutional objectives.
- A collaborative approach to program development, academic planning, and shared governance across the University.

#### A Global Leader in Aviation and Aerospace:

With campuses in Daytona Beach, FL, and Prescott, AZ, and a Worldwide network across approximately 120 locations, Embry-Riddle is the world's largest aviation and aerospace university. For over 95 years, we have been leading the way in STEM education, serving more than 11,600 residential students and 19,200 globally in the 2023-24 academic year. We offer cutting-edge programs in Applied Science, Aviation, Business, Technology, Engineering, Safety, Security, and Space.

For more information and to apply, go here: ERAU Careers Questions? Contact Cheily Diaz at diaz7al@erau.edu







# **Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University**Assistant/Associate Professor in Aeronautical Science

Step into a dynamic role with Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, where innovation meets opportunity. Be part of a leading institution that's at the forefront of aviation, aerospace, and STEM education. We offer an exciting environment, cutting-edge projects, and the chance to influence tomorrow. Ready to make a difference? Take flight with Embry-Riddle and explore this diverse career opportunity today.

The candidate must have experience in airline or corporate flight operations or appropriate military experience. Applicants should be able to demonstrate the ability to teach and develop courses across all levels of undergraduate aviation education. Successful faculty candidates will have a strong commitment to undergraduate education both in the classroom and through experiential learning opportunities.

The Aeronautical Science program at ERAU Prescott is AABI accredited and nationally recognized for its aviation programs. The department has 19 full time faculty in the areas of jet transport systems, airline operations, turbine engine operations, electronic flight management systems, flight technique analysis, airline operations, domestic & international navigation, capstone research classes and flight education.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Candidate must hold a Master's Degree, preferably in an aviation-related field but candidates with significant industry experience and a master's degree are strongly encouraged to apply.
- · Demonstrated ability to teach, preferably in collegiate or Part 121/141 training programs.

- · Demonstrated ability to mentor students or colleagues through the research and writing process.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills with a demonstrated potential for scholarly activity.

Application material should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae or resume, teaching philosophy, and contact information for three professional references. Materials may be submitted in electronic form through careers.erau.edu.

Screening of applications will start upon receipt and will continue until the position is filled.

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#### **Our Vision:**

Embry-Riddle aims to be the global leader in aerospace education and research. We are committed to innovation, excellence, and personal attention to student success. Our Prescott campus focuses on undergraduate education and aims to become a top-ranked destination for STEM programs. The Worldwide campus will be recognized as the best in online education, and the Daytona Beach campus will lead in aerospace innovation and student success, grounded in problem-based discovery.

For more information and to apply, go here: ERAU Careers Questions? Contact Cheily Diaz at diaz7a1@erau.edu









#### **Indiana State University Tenure Track Assistant Professor**

Indiana State University's Aviation Technology Department is seeking applications for a Tenure Track Assistant Professor or Multi-Year Contract Instructor. Duties include undergraduate courses in the Aviation Department's Degree Programs. This is a nine-month position with the possibility of summer teaching assignments.

Our beautiful, active, pedestrian-friendly campus is located within walking distance of local shops, restaurants, and activities in Terre Haute's historic downtown district. Situated near the Indiana-Illinois border, we are located 70 miles southwest of Indianapolis and within a few hours of major metropolitan centers in St. Louis, Chicago, and Louisville.

For Tenure Track applicants service, scholarship, university committees, curriculum development, academic advisement and performing appropriate scholarly research and professional service.

#### **Qualifications:**

Instructor rank: Master's Degree in Aviation, Education, Business or related field.

Tenure Track rank: PhD in Aviation, Education, Business or related field.

#### **Department:**

The Aviation Technology Department is one of four departments within the Bailey College of Engineering and Technology. Contained within the department is the Aviation Management, Professional Aviation Flight Technology and Unmanned Systems Program.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. For full consideration, submit application materials by March 21, 2025. For more information and to apply, please go to: https://jobs.indstate.edu/postings/50122

Attach a letter of application/cover letter, vitae/resume, a list of three references, and unofficial transcripts to the online application.

If you have questions please contact Xiaolong Li, Chair, Faculty Search Committee, department of Aviation, Indiana State University, Terre Haute IN 47809.

xiaolong.li@indstate.edu; (812) 237-3457

Indiana State University is an equal opportunity employer, and we are committed to providing reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with disabilities and disabled veterans in our employment application process.



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#### **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

ROSES 2025: D.2 Astrophysics Data Analysis

Deadline: 5/23/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358454

#### **Department of Labor Womens Bureau**

FY25 Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Technical Assistance Grant Program

Deadline: 6/10/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/357685

#### **National Science Foundation**

Fire Science Innovations through Research and Education

Deadline: 6/20/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358703

#### **NASA-HQ**

University Student Research Challenge (USRC)

Deadline: 6/26/2025

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/356485

#### **Department of Energy**

Carbon Capture Demonstration Projects Program

Deadline: 7/1/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/357824

#### **DOT FAA COE AJFE**

Center of Excellence for Alternative Jet Fuels and Environment

Deadline: 9/30/2025

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/243973

#### Department of State - U.S. Mission to Slovenia

Minority Serving Institutions Partnership Program (Msipp) Consortia Grant Program (CGP) Synopsis 1

Deadline: 7/11/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358645

#### **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

D.4 University Leadership Initiative 2 (ULI2)

Deadline: 7/26/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358608

#### **National Science Foundation**

Responsible Design, Development, and Deployment of Technologies

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Deadline: 8/7/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358703

#### **National Endowment for the Humanities**

Summer Stipends

Deadline: 9/17/2025

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/356592



# **EUGENE S. KROPF SCHOLARSHIP**

The University Aviation Association annually awards a scholarship to applicants who are enrolled in an aviation related curriculum at a UAA member college or university and have achieved sophomore status at the institution. Awards will be made to U.S. citizens without regard to gender, race, religion, or national origin.

**AWARD AMOUNT: \$500** 

At least one (1) \$500 scholarship will be awarded.



#### **DEADLINE**

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025







#### **High School Internship Opportunities**



Textron Aviation is proud to support the students of our communities through exposure to the skills and experience needed for future career exploration and training. Textron Aviation offers internships for high school students to gain hands-on experience in the aviation industry.

Paid, part-time internships are available for high school students starting at 16 years old in the following areas:

- Aviation Maintenance
- Business Management
- Communications
- Customer Experience and Events
- Engineering

High school internships are available year-round. The Summer internship is a six-week program built for high school students to complete their work in the mornings Monday-Friday. Successful applicants for Fall and Spring internships should have a school schedule that allows for internship work between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. TAKE THE NEXT STEP HERE.

#### **Avionics Line Maintenance Internship**

The Avionics Line Maintenance Intern, with supervision, performs inspection, testing, troubleshooting, repairing, removal and replacement of aircraft instrument and avionics components and systems using various hand tools and test equipment to meet manufacturer's specifications, FAR's, industry standards and Duncan approved procedures in a safe and organized work area. In addition, this position prepares and completes appropriate documentation in a timely manner. The internship position will terminate after duration of 3 – 6 months, dependent upon aircraft schedule requirements and technical growth / retention. Education and Experience: High school graduate or equivalent required; FAA Airframe Maintenance Certificate required. **Apply Now!** 

#### **NASA Internship Programs**

NASA's Office of STEM Engagement (OSTEM) paid internships allow high school and college-level students to contribute to the agency's mission to advance science, technology, aeronautics, and space exploration.

OSTEM internships offer students an opportunity to gain practical work experience while working side-by-side with mentors who are research scientists, engineers, and individuals from many other professions. Internships may be full time or part time on a NASA center or facility.

Join our NASA team and gain valuable on-the-job experience, build your resume, and strengthen your career readiness. We offer three sessions annually, so visit our website often for opportunities. Click Here to Explore Our Opportunities and Apply!

2025 Internship Application Deadlines:

Fall 2025: May 16, 2025, 11:59 p.m. ET

# DEVORE FREEDOM OF FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIP



The UAA 2025 DeVore Freedom of Flight Scholarship offers college students an opportunity for initial flight training at schools with FAA Part 141 flight schools.

**AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,000** 

At least one (1) \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.



#### **DEADLINE**

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025







#### **DeVore Freedom of Flight Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor University Aviation Association (UAA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) or more Scholarships Awarded, Valued at \$1,000 each

#### **Usual Deadline**

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025

#### **Description**

The DeVore Freedom of Flight Scholarship offers college students an opportunity for initial flight training at schools with FAA Part 141 flight schools.

The Freedom of Flight Scholarship was established to honor Dr. DeVore for his contributions to aviation at the local and national levels. His interests have been in promoting aviation education for our youth and providing them with opportunities to enter into dynamic and rewarding careers in aviation. In September 2001, Dr. DeVore completed a solo flight in a single-engine aircraft that circumnavigated the contiguous 48 states; landing at 40 airports in 36 states to promote aviation scholarships.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Open to students entering as undergraduates in a collegiate aviation program; a Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, or graduate program. Must be admitted, and must be enrolled at the time the award is dispersed, to a University Aviation Association member institution with a Part 141 approved program. Community college and university applicants are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be admitted to, and undertaking, an aviation-related major. A minimum of 3.0 overall GPA on a 4.0 GPA scale. Submit an essay, 250–750 words, demonstrating a love of aviation and a commitment to flight training. Extracurricular involvement/community involvement may be considered. A recommendation letter from a faculty member from a UAA member institution supporting the candidate's application for this scholarship.

#### **Eugene S. Kropf Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor University Aviation Association (UAA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### **Amount(s) Awarded**

One (1) or more Scholarships Awarded, Valued at \$500 each

#### **Usual Deadline**

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025

#### **Description**

The University Aviation Association (UAA) annually awards a \$500 scholarship to applicants who are enrolled in an aviation-related curriculum at a UAA member college or university, and have achieved sophomore status at the institution. The award will be made to U.S. Citizens without regard to gender, race, religion, or national origin.

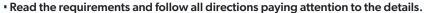
#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen. Applicant must be enrolled in and plan to continue a college curriculum leading to a two-year, four-year, or post-graduate degree in the field of aviation. Proof of enrollment must be provided prior to distribution of award. At the time of application, the applicant must be officially enrolled in a UAA member institution in an aviation-related program. Member must have completed 30 or more credit hours (or the equivalent for Sophomore status) at the UAA institution and must include the institution's UAA number with the application. No exceptions to this criterion. Credits must have been completed and on your transcript at the time of application. Applicant must have a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

In addition to the completed application, candidates are required to submit a 250-word typed, double-spaced paper addressing the topic: "How Can I Improve Aviation Education." This paper should be direct and focused, offering specific insights and suggestions.

## **UAA TIPS FOR SUBMITTING YOUR BEST APPLICATION**





- If a certified transcript is required be sure it is certified.
- Write a great essay AND keep essays within the specified word count.
- Don't miss the deadline and start early.
- Make sure your application package is complete and ALL requested material is included. Incomplete application will not be reviewed.
- Do not include things that are not requested in the application i.e. photos, videos, etc.
- · Proofread and review thoroughly before submission and having a mentor review for completeness prior to submission.
- Don't ignore small awards. Small awards can add up. Plus, the larger the award, the more competition you'll face.







#### Joseph Frasca Excellence in Aviation Scholarship

Scholarship Sponsor Frasca International, Inc.

#### Contact

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) or more Scholarships Awarded, Valued at \$2,000 each

#### **Usual Deadline**

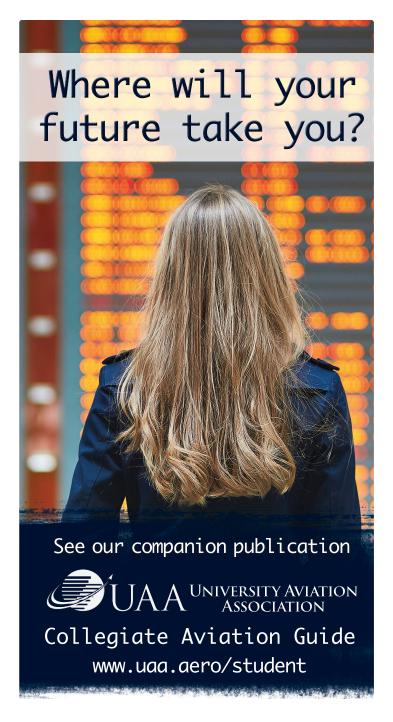
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#### **Description**

The Frasca family established this scholarship through the University Aviation Association (UAA) in the name of their son, Joseph Frasca. Joseph excelled as an undergraduate aviation student earning a reputation as a dedicated and competent scholar. His tireless efforts to promote and support aviation resulted in significant worldwide contributions to the industry and his abilities as an aerobatic pilot and ambassador of aviation provided many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

This prestigious aviation scholarship recognizes exceptional individuals dedicated to a future in aviation. To be considered, candidates must demonstrate a sustained commitment to excellence in the field, both academically and practically. This commitment should be clearly evident through several avenues, including consistently outstanding performance in aviationrelated coursework, active and meaningful engagement in relevant extracurricular activities such as aviation clubs or flight teams, and demonstrable participation in significant aviation events and recognized organizations. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 is required to ensure a strong foundation of academic proficiency. Furthermore, applicants must hold a valid and current FAA certification or qualification, specifically within either aviation maintenance or flight operations, showcasing a tangible and practical level of professional skill and a commitment to hands-on experience.



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#### **Paul A. Whelan Aviation Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor University Aviation Association (UAA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,000

Usual Deadline

Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025

#### **Description**

To provide financial support for men and women pursuing a future in aviation and/or space-related fields. The scholarship will provide opportunities to emerging aviation professionals to achieve their academic goals and contribute their talents to the aviation industry.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

The student must be a U.S. Citizen and sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student. Must be enrolled at a University Aviation Association member institution in an aviation or spacerelated major. Community college and university applicants encouraged. Overall 3.0 GPA.

#### **Preferred**

FAA certification as a pilot or mechanic. Former military service or current military service via active duty, ROTC, Air National Guard or Reserves while in school. Membership in an aviation-related association or professional group such as the UAA.

#### **Selection Process**

Following the application period, a selection committee of experienced aviation professionals will carefully review all submissions. The committee will choose the scholarship recipient(s) based on a comprehensive evaluation of the following key areas:

**Academic Merit:** This includes a review of grades, relevant coursework, and overall academic performance.

**Demonstrated Passion for Aviation and Space:** The committee will assess the applicant's clear interest and enthusiasm for the aviation and space fields, often shown through essays and activities.

**Financial Need:** The applicant's financial situation will be considered to ensure the scholarship supports those who need it most

**Leadership Potential:** The committee will look for evidence of leadership skills, such as initiative and teamwork.

**Community Involvement:** Participation in community activities and contributions will be taken into account.

#### **Piedmont Airlines Scholarships for Flight**

Scholarship Sponsor Piedmont Airlines

#### **Contact**

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$5,000

Usual Deadline Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025

#### **Description**

To provide financial support for men and women pursuing a future in aviation. The scholarship will provide opportunities to emerging aviation professionals to achieve their academic goals and contribute their talents to the aviation industry.

#### Flight Training Scholarship Criteria

Applicants must be a U.S. Resident, at least 18 years of age at the date of application, enrolled in a University Aviation Association member institution at the time of application, hold a current FAA private pilot certificate, and must be pursuing an instrument, multi-engine, or commercial pilot rating. Must be supported by an official letter of recommendation from faculty. Preference given to Piedmont Cadet program members.

#### **Piedmont Airlines Scholarships for Non-Flight**

Scholarship Sponsor Piedmont Airlines

#### **Contact**

#### www.uaa.aero

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1503 Memphis, TN 38157

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$5,000

Usual Deadline Opens: April 1, 2025 Closes: June 30, 2025

#### **Non-Flight Training Scholarship Criteria**

Applicants must be a U.S. Resident, at least 18 years of age at the date of application, enrolled in a University Aviation Association member institution at the time of application, hold a current FAA private pilot certificate, and must be pursuing an instrument, multi-engine, or commercial pilot rating. Must be supported by an official letter of recommendation from faculty. Preference given to Piedmont Cadet program members.







#### **ATCA Full-Time Employee Student Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.atca.org/scholarships

225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314

#### **Amount(s) Awarded**

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,000 - \$10,000

#### **Usual Deadline**

May

#### **Description**

Full-time employees enrolled in advanced study programs to improve their skills in air traffic control or an aviation discipline.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or university and planning to continue enrollment the following year. Coursework leads to a Bachelor's Degree or advanced degree. Attendance is equal to at least half-time (6 semester hours or the equivalent). Must have a minimum of 30 semester or 45 credit hours still to be completed before graduation. Two letters of recommendation in support of the application for the ATCA Scholarship Program.

#### **Buckingham Memorial Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA)

#### Contact

#### www.atca.org/scholarships

225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,000 - \$10,000

#### **Usual Deadline**

May

#### **Description**

U.S. Citizen, children of air traffic control specialists enrolled half- to full-time in a program leading to a Bachelor's Degree or higher.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or university, and planning to continue enrollment the following year. Coursework leads to a Bachelor's Degree or advanced degree. Attendance is equal to at least half-time (6 semester hours or the equivalent). Must have a minimum of 30 semester or 45 credit hours still to be completed before graduation. Two letters of recommendation in support of the application for the ATCA Scholarship Program.

#### **Gabriel A. Hartl Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA)

#### Contact

#### www.atca.org/scholarships

225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,000 - \$10,000

#### **Usual Deadline**

May

#### **Description**

Students enrolled half- to full-time in a two- to four-year air traffic control program at an institution approved and/or licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration as directly supporting the FAA's college and training initiative.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or university and planning to continue enrollment the following year. Coursework leads to a Bachelor's Degree or advanced degree. Must have a minimum of 30 semester or 45 credit hours still to be completed before graduation. Two letters of recommendation in support of the application for the ATCA Scholarship Program.

#### **Lawrence C. Fortier Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.atca.org/scholarships

225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,000 - \$10,000

#### **Usual Deadline**

May

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or university and planning to continue enrollment the following year. Coursework leads to a Bachelor's Degree or advanced degree. Attendance is equal to at least half-time (6 semester hours or the equivalent). Must have a minimum of 30 semester or 45 credit hours still to be completed before graduation. Two letters of recommendation in support of the application for the ATCA Scholarship Program.







#### **ACI-NA Airport Commissioner's Scholarships**

Scholarship Sponsor

Airports Council International – North America (ACI-NA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.airportscouncil.org

1615 L Street Northwest, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20036

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,500

#### **Usual Deadline**

June

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

To qualify for a scholarship, you must: Be a young professional, 40 years old or younger; Be employed by an ACI-NA member; Submit an online application with the required materials; Submit a letter of recommendation from your ACI-NA Official Representative or senior organization representative; and Submit a personal statement, no more than 500 word.

#### **Air Line Pilots Association Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA)

#### **Contact**

#### www.alpa.org

1625 Massachusetts Avenue Washington, DC 20036

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$15K annually, with a total value of \$60K

#### **Usual Deadline**

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#### **Scholarship Criteria**

The applicant must be a child of a medically retired, long-term disabled, or deceased pilot member of the Air Line Pilots Association.

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#### **Colorado Agricultural Aviation Assoc. Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor

Colorado Agricultural Aviation Association

#### Contact

#### www.coagav.org

16489 Burghley Court Platteville, CO 80651

#### **Amount(s) Awarded**

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$1,000

#### **Usual Deadline**

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#### **Scholarship Criteria**

The Colorado Agricultural Aviation Association Scholarship is awarded annually. Candidates should demonstrate a genuine interest in agricultural areas such as agronomy, research, or aglaw that promotes or supports the Agricultural Aviation Industry. Non-traditional students are also encouraged to apply. Although not required, letters of recommendation will be accepted along with the resume application.

#### **Navigate Your Future Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor National Air Transportation Association (NATA)

#### Contact

#### www.nata.aero

818 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20006

#### Amount(s) Awarded

One (1) Scholarship Awarded, Valued at \$2,500

#### **Usual Deadline**

June

#### **Description**

The Navigate Your Future Scholarship is offered to a high school graduate continuing his or her education in the aviation industry. By making scholarships available, NATA's goal is to foster and promote careers in the general aviation industry. The Navigate Your Future Scholarship is to be used for one year of full-time undergraduate study.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicants of the Navigate Your Future Scholarship must: Be a senior in high school, planning a career in the general aviation field; Be enrolled or accepted into an aviation-related program at an accredited college or university; Submit the letter of acceptance from the college or university; Be able to demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career in general aviation.





#### **Rene Matos Scholarship Program**

Scholarship Sponsor National Hispanic Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees

#### **Contact**

#### www.nhcfae.org

P.O. Box 23276 Washington, DC 20026

#### Amount(s) Awarded

Scholarship Awards Varies

#### **Usual Deadline**

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#### **Description**

The Rene Matos Memorial Scholarship was established in the name of a very motivated and dedicated man, who epitomized the dream to succeed, while helping others along the way. Even from his humble beginnings as an air traffic controller in Puerto Rico.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Must be a U.S. Citizen or a permanent resident, residing in the United States or Puerto Rico. Applicants must be accepted or attending an accredited college, university, or vocational/trade school at the time the scholarship is awarded. Applications received after the application deadline will NOT be accepted.

#### **Sheltair & Avfuel: Future Takes Flight Scholarship**

Scholarship Sponsor Sheltair and Avfuel

#### Contact

#### www.avfuel.com

47 West Ellsworth Road Ann Arbor, MI 48108

#### Amount(s) Awarded

Six (6) Scholarships Awarded, Valued at \$5,000 each

#### **Usual Deadline**

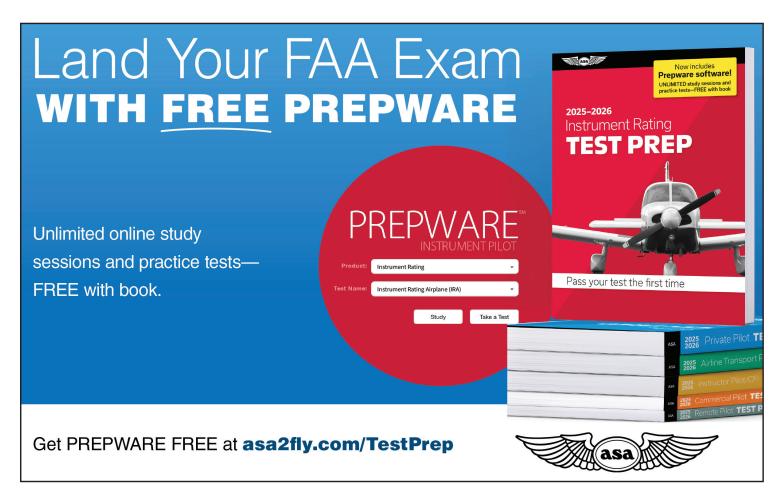
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#### **Description**

Each year, the program will award six (6) \$5,000 scholarships across three categories: Two (2) for learning to fly or advanced pilot ratings; Two (2) for aviation technicians; and Two (2) for continuing education.

#### **Scholarship Criteria**

Applicants must demonstrate an interest in aviation education, particularly for coursework or flight lessons for students pursuing their private pilot certificate, adding a type rating, adding to their certificate with an ATP, completing a bachelor's degree, working toward a certification, or completing upset recovery training.



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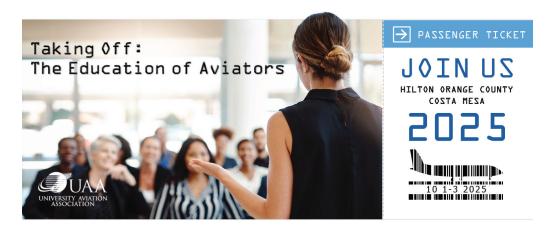
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Aerospace Medical Association Scientific Meeting	June 1-6	Atlanta, GA
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American School Counselor Association Conference	July 12-15	Long Beach, CA
EAA Air Venture	July 21-27	Oshkosh, WI
Sun n Fun Aerospace Expo	August 1-6	Lakeland, FL
Latino Pilots Association Conference	Sept. 18-19	Orlando, FL
National Association College Admission Counselors	Sept. 18-20	Columbus, OH
Regional Air Cargo Carriers Association Conference	Sept. 30-Oct 2	Scottsdale, AZ
UAA Collegiate Aviation Education Conference	October 1-3	Orange County, CA
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