College of Business

Flight Education

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For 16 consecutive years, U.S. News & World Report rated Auburn University among the top 50 public national universities.

Recent freshman classes of more than 4,000 students scored a combined average of 25.9 on the ACT and had a combined high school grade – point average of 3.69.
College of Business


The MBA program in Auburn's College of Business ranked 26th nationally among public universities in a Forbes magazine survey.

Department of Aviation and SCM

The department is one of very few in the country to hold dual accreditation by both the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), as well as the Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI).

It is one of only two dozen academic institutions nation-wide to earn AABI accreditation for flight education.
Auburn University Flight Education was established in 1942 as the Auburn School of Aviation. During World War II, the school trained civilian pilots for service in the Army Air Corps.

Now, the primary Flight Education mission is to provide the Professional Flight Management degree students with a quality education in required ground and flight courses. Auburn students in other majors, Auburn faculty and staff and local citizens also earn their “wings” at Auburn.

With more than 2,500 alumni working in the aerospace industry, Auburn is represented in all aspects of aviation. Strong alumni support provides many opportunities for our graduates. Additionally, as a result of decades of successful hires, Auburn and Flight Education have a solid reputation across the aviation industry for quality graduates. As a result, students benefit from a strong demand for program graduates. The Auburn degree is a well-recognized credential.

“My Auburn aviation education helped me land my dream job! The knowledge and contacts that I gained at Auburn, as well as the friendships, were invaluable to my career.”

- Amy Eddins ’01, First Officer, Delta Airlines
Department Curricula

Degree Programs

The Department of Aviation and Supply Chain Management offers three degree programs, all based on a solid business core curriculum. Graduates receive a bachelor of science in business administration with a concentration in professional flight management, aviation management, or supply chain management.

The Professional Flight Management concentration prepares students for careers as professional pilots. Graduates capitalize on the core business and management education to excel in leadership and supervisory positions beyond the cockpit as well. The degree concentration requires three advanced flight ratings be accomplished at Auburn.

The Aviation Management concentration provides a technical management background leading to careers throughout the aviation industry. The Supply Chain Management concentration prepares graduates for careers in distribution, traffic management, urban transportation, and other logistics fields.

Flight Education Courses

Auburn University Flight Education is a certified Federal Aviation Administration Air Agency, approved to operate a pilot school to conduct the flight and ground courses described below. It provides pilot education under Part 141 of the Federal Aviation Regulations and has examining authority for each of those courses.

Private Pilot Certification – prepares students to operate aircraft safely while clear of clouds in the national airspace system. It requires a minimum of 35 hours of flight training and the associated ground school. (Ratings and certifications beyond private are considered advanced.)

Instrument Rating – prepares private pilots to operate aircraft safely in clouds and in areas of low visibility. It requires a minimum of 35 hours of flight training, 10 hours of simulator time, and the associated ground school.
Commercial Pilot Certification – prepares private pilots to operate aircraft safely carrying persons or property for compensation or hire. It requires a minimum of 120 hours flight training and the associated ground school.

Multi-Engine Rating – prepares pilots to safely fly aircraft having more than one engine. A minimum of 15 hours of flight time and associated ground instruction are required.

Flight Instructor Courses – prepares the commercial pilot to give flight instruction to student pilots. The Certified Flight Instructor (CFI), CFI with Instrument Rating (CFII), and Multi-Engine Instructor (MEI) courses are available.

Founded in 1856, Auburn University is located in east central Alabama. Montgomery, Ala., and Columbus, Ga., are within a 50-mile radius of campus. Birmingham and Atlanta are within 115 miles. The university comprises some 375 buildings on 1,840 acres. Auburn’s enrollment is approximately 24,000, including representation from all 50 states, more than 900 international students from nearly 70 countries, and many diverse races, cultures, and religions. The small-town setting and big-time university activities combine to provide a unique and exhilarating college experience.

Flight operations are conducted at the Auburn–Opelika Robert G. Pitts Airport, which is owned and operated by Auburn University. The facility is only two miles from campus and is easily accessible from campus via the university’s Tiger Transit shuttle service. Auburn Flight Education utilizes a number of modern single-engine, complex, and multi-engine aircraft, as well as flight simulators in performing its mission. But the most valuable asset is its people…dedicated to teaching sound values, habit patterns, and a work ethic that will serve students beyond college and the cockpit. Auburn Flight Education is so much more than mere pilot training!
Aviation Organizations

ALPHA ETA RHO is a professional, co-ed fraternity that offers membership to anyone who is interested in aviation. The Gamma Chapter at Auburn University is very active and truly a unique organization.

The WAR EAGLE FLYING TEAM participates in National Intercollegiate Flying Association competitions with other collegiate aviation programs throughout the U.S. and provides various community services to boost aviation awareness and interest.

WOMEN IN AVIATION, INTERNATIONAL – AUBURN supports aviation in general, but in particular women in aviation. Membership is open to all interested students.

ETA MU SIGMA is an aviation management honorary for those students meeting certain standards of academic excellence.

Approved Flight Training for Veterans

Auburn University Flight Education is a Department of Veterans Affairs–approved flight school, providing instrument, commercial, and multi-engine flight training for qualified persons. Those interested in finding out more about their individual eligibility as a student should contact their local V.A.

Scholarships, Co-ops and Internships

Various scholarships for both academics and flight education are available from numerous organizations which include:

Auburn University
Auburn University College of Business
The Department of Aviation and Supply Chain Management
Alpha Eta Rho
ROTC
Women in Aviation, International
University Aviation Association

Co-ops and internships are also available to flight and non-flight aviation students. Opportunities are also available to intern at the Auburn–Opelika Robert G. Pitts Airport. During these internships, students will spend time in each of the various departments, including: airport management, flight line services, operations/dispatch, air transportation, flight education, and maintenance.
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