

Aviation Management
Bachelor of Science
2025-2026

General Areas of Service:

With a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management, you will be equipped with the knowledge and management skills necessary to stay current with the fast-paced and ever-changing aerospace and aviation industry. This degree will provide the industry knowledge needed, along with a strong background in management skills and business knowledge. In addition, this degree emphasizes good communication skills, global awareness, organizational behavior, and critical thinking. It also focuses on FAA regulations and requirements to become a well-rounded aviation management professional.

Professional Training:

Educational requirements for aviation industry managers vary widely, ranging from a high school diploma to a master's degree, depending on the size and complexity of the organization. Whatever the manager's educational background, it must be accompanied by related work experience reflecting demonstrated ability. Experience is essential for advancement.

Job Outlook:

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "employment of administrative services and facilities managers is projected to grow 6 percent from 2023 to 2033, faster than the average for all occupations. About 35,200 openings for administrative services and facilities managers are projected each year, on average, over the decade." (See www.bls.gov).

Earnings:

Salaries vary widely depending on the career path chosen within the field of aviation management. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "the median annual pay for administrative services managers was \$108,390 in May 2024." (See www.bls.gov)

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Suggested Degree Path

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 192 cr. GENERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS: 65 cr. [See the Undergraduate Bulletin for Details](#)

The chart below details one suggested path a student may take to complete a bachelor's degree in Aviation Management.

Aviation Management students also earn an Associate of Science degree in Business Administration.

Cognates are listed in *italics*.

Freshman Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Principles of Financial Accounting (ACCT 201)	4
Survey of Aviation (AVIA 140)	1
Private Pilot Lectures (AVIA 141)	4
General Studies/Electives	2
Intro to Analytical Writing (ENGL 121)	3
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
Private Pilot Training I (AVIA 142)	2
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Principles of Financial Accounting (ACCT 202)	3
Private Pilot Flight Training II (AVIA 156)	2
+ Aircraft Systems & Basic Maintenance (AVIA 256)	4
Intro to Research Writing (ENGL 122)	3
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	4
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Principles of Managerial Accounting (ACCT 203)	3
Private Pilot Flight Training III (AVIA 157)	2
Bus. Analytics with Excel (CIS 140)	4
Personal Finance (FINA 101)	4
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	3
Total	16

Sophomore Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Instrument Pilot Lectures (AVIA 271)	4
Cross Country Flight (AVIA 277)	2
Prin. of Microeconomics (ECON 210)	4
Research Writing (ENGL 223)	3
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
Conceptual Physics & Lab (PHYS 201, 204)	4
Total	17

Winter Courses	Hours
Instrument Flight Training (AVIA 275)	3
- Air Traffic Control & Airspace (AVIA 125)	2
Fund. of Speech Comm. (SPCH 101)	4
Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON 211)	2
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	4
Total	15

Spring Courses	Hours
Adv. Instrument Flight Training (AVIA 263)	3
Commercial Pilot Lectures (AVIA 334)	4
Conceptual Physics & Lab (PHYS 202, 205)	4
Business Communication (GBUS 270)	4
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	1
Total	16

Junior Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Aviation Human Factors (AVIA 270)	2
Advanced Cross-Country Flight (AVIA 325)	2
Space Planning & Design (TECH 380)	3
Business Electives	2
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	7
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Commercial Flight Training (AVIA 335)	3
Principles of Marketing (MKTG 381)	4
+ Aviation Weather (AVIA 234)	2
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	7
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Advanced Commercial Flight Training (AVIA 336)	3
Principles of Management (MGMT 371)	4
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	9
Total	16

Senior Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Business Ethics (MGMT 463)	4
Business Law I (GBUS 361)	4
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	8
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Aviation Safety (AVIA 355)	2
Aviation Senior Seminar (AVIA 496)	2
Senior Project (TECH 499)	1-3
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	9-11
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Multi-Engine Flight Training (AVIA 340)	3
Managerial Finance (FINA 351)	4
Colloquium (GBUS 495)	0
General Studies/Electives	9
Total	16

+ Offered even years only

- Offered odd years only

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