



## **AFJROTC FLIGHT ACADEMY FACT SHEET**



### **What is the Flight Academy?**

The Flight Academy is a Chief of Staff of the Air Force scholarship to generate aviation interest among high school students and provides pathways to aviation careers. Additionally, it capitalizes on the diverse Air Force Junior ROTC cadet population (43% female, 57% minority).

### **Who can apply for a Flight Academy Scholarship?**

Air Force Junior ROTC sophomore, junior and senior in good standing in their program may apply. Applicants must have a 3.0 or greater GPA (on a 4.0 scale) and the recommendation of their SASI and high school administrator (principal or counselor). Additionally, they must be 16 to apply and 17 by the time they attend the Flight Academy.

### **What is the purpose of the Flight Academy?**

The purpose of the Flight Academy is to provide an opportunity for selected cadets to earn their Private Pilot Certification (PPC) while simultaneously increasing an interest in aviation. The program goal is to leverage the diverse Air Force Junior ROTC cadet population to help address the predicted need of 6,000 - 8,000 pilots per year for the next 20 years across industry and the U.S. military.

### **Where and when is the Flight Academy conducted?**

Cadets will attend private pilot training at public/private universities throughout the U.S. over the summer months for approximately 8 weeks.

### **What other benefits can cadets glean from attending the Flight Academy?**

In addition to earning their PPC, cadets can earn college credit. The number of credit hours earned varies by host institution. Currently credit hours earned range from 3-8 credit hours. Students must meet or exceed university standards to earn college credit and their PPC.

### **What are the student costs for attending the Flight Academy?**

Student costs are minimal. The Flight Academy Scholarship covers tuition, room, board, meals, textbooks, air travel, Class I Flight Physical and Flight Training Safety Program (FTSP) fee, if required. Cadet expenses are generally limited to items normally required of any student attending college (i.e., bed linens, clothes, and comfort items for the room).

### **Is there a military service obligation associated with a Flight Academy Scholarship?**

NO. Cadets who earn their PPC will be referred to a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Wing nearest them so they may continue flying free of charge while they remain in Air Force Junior ROTC. Although there is no military requirement, students may be contacted by an Air Force Representative to learn about educational opportunities at the Air Force Academy or Air Force ROTC.

**Attachment 1**

**University Partners – 2023**

- Bowling Green State University
- Charleston Southern University
- Delaware State University
- Delta State University
- East Carolina University
- Elizabeth City State University
- Embry Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona
- Embry Riddle Aeronautical University - Prescott
- Fairmont State University
- Indiana Wesleyan University
- Iowa Lakes Community College
- Kansas State University
- Minnesota State University-Mankato
- Purdue University
- Southeastern University
- Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology
- Texas Southern University
- Troy University
- Tuskegee University
- University of Central Missouri
- University of Nebraska at Kearney
- University of North Dakota
- University of North Dakota-AZ campus
- University of West Florida
- Walla Walla University