Major Course Requirements

A minimum of 68 hours (33 upper-division hours)

Required Core Courses (60 hours):
- AVIA 141 Applied Electronics 3
- AVIA 172 Electronics and Fuel Systems 2
- AVIA 173 Meteorology 3
- AVIA 175 Private Pilot Theory 4
- AVIA 176 Private Flight Training 2
- AVIA 177 Intermediate Private Flight Training 2
- AVIA 178 Advanced Private Flight Training 2
- AVIA 275 Instrument Pilot Theory 4
- AVIA 276 Instrument Flight Training 3
- AVIA 278 Advanced Instrument Flight Training 4
- AVIA 305 Aircraft Systems 4
- AVIA 375 Commercial and CFI Theory 4
- AVIA 376 Commercial Flight Training 2
- AVIA 377 Intermediate Commercial Flight Training 2
- AVIA 378 Advanced Commercial Flight Training 2
- AVIA 379 Aerodynamics 2
- AVIA 460 Professional Skills for Pilots 2
- AVIA 468 Beginning Flight Instructor Flight Training 3
- AVIA 469 Advanced Flight Instructor Flight Training 3
- AVIA 470 Fundamentals of Flight Instruction 1
- AVIA 476 Add-on Class Rating 2
- AVIA 477 Human Factors in Aviation 2
- AVIA 478 Add-on CFI Rating 2

Required Core Electives (8 hours):
At least 8 hours from the following: 8
- AVIA 273 Practicum in Flight (1-6)
- AVIA 350 Mission Flying Theory and Practice (2)
- AVIA 450 Advanced Aircraft Systems (2)
- AVIA 472 Instrument Instructor Flight Training (3)
- AVIA 473 Advanced Practicum in Flight (1-6)

Recommended Minor:
A minor in Business Administration is recommended for aviation majors.

Recommended Courses:
For students with a given interest, the following courses are recommended:

Mission Aviation:
ANTH 124, AVIA 350, COMM 330, EMER 104+105, PREL 337, RELH 311, RELP 235, 319, SOWK 121

Commercial Aviation:
AVIA 450, COMM 223, 330, ECON 261, 332, MGMT 261, 361, 465

Recommended Field Experience:
It is recommended that all students majoring in Aviation should have completed, by the end of winter quarter of their senior year, 500 hours of flight time.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students can:
- Have the aeronautical knowledge, flight proficiency and experience needed to successfully complete the FAA Private Pilot License, Instrument Rating, and Commercial Multi-engine and Single-engine licenses, and Instructor Ratings.
- Exemplify the comportment of a professional aviator.
- Utilize critical thinking skills and apply these skills to aeronautical decision making (ADM).
- Demonstrate excellent technical flying ability.
- Competently communicate across the spectrum of the aviation field.

Occupational Information

What can I do with this major?
Graduates of this program work as pilots giving flight instruction, flying for aerial photography, sky diving, crop dusting, sightseeing tours, flying cargo, airlines, and charter. Most of these pilot jobs are based on the amount of flight hours the pilot has accumulated.

Additional Education Required?
Most flight jobs will require a flight checkout in the type of aircraft to be flown.

Public Sector vs. Denominational
While most jobs are in the public sector, there are opportunities for mission aviation through denominational organizations, such as Adventist World Aviation (AWA).

Job Outlook
Favorable. The need for pilots is expected to increase in the coming years as more and more pilots reach retirement age. However, in the short term, employment opportunities for pilots are sensitive to changes in the economy.
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General Education Requirements

To view general education requirements for this major, please refer to page A-01, Summary of General Education Requirements: B.S. Degree.

How to Construct Your Own Program

1. Apply to Aviation Program.
2. Counsel with your advisor.
3. Schedule major courses and cognates first.
4. Fill the rest of your schedule with G.E. requirements.
5. For the freshman year include English, Religion, and PE courses. Also include Basic Algebra I+II unless waived by previous work.

What the Degree Includes

A total of 192 quarter hours including:
1. A minimum of 60 upper division hours.
2. General Education requirements.
3. Major requirements.
4. Minimum 2.0 GPA, overall and major.

For More Information

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Sample Four-Year Program

This sample curriculum is designed to show you how a program may be constructed and to help you select a proper sequence of courses in the major. It is not likely that these courses can always be taken in the order given. Your advisor will help you design a personalized program of studies.

First Year
Meteorology 3 - -  
Private Pilot Theory 4 - -  
Private Flight Training 2 - -  
Intermediate Private Flight Training - 2 -  
Advanced Private Flight Training - - 2  
Applied Electronics (odd) - 3 -  
Practicum in Flight - - 6  
College English I, II 4 4 -  
Religion 3 3 3  
Exercise Science - 1 1  
General Education/Electives - 3 4  
16 16 16

Second Year
Instrument Pilot Theory - 4 -  
Instrument Flight Training 3 - -  
Advanced Instrument Flight - - 4  
Aircraft Systems (even) - 4 -  
Commercial & CFI Theory - - 4  
Electronic & Fuel Systems (even) - 3 -  
General Education/Electives 13 5 8  
16 16 16

Third Year
Commercial Flight Training 2 - -  
Intermediate Commercial Flight - 2 -  
Advanced Commercial Training - - 2  
Fundamentals of Flight Instruction - - 1  
Aerodynamics (even) - 2 -  
General Education/Electives 14 10 13  
16 16 16

Fourth Year
Human Factors (odd) - - 2  
Professional Skills for Pilots (odd) - 2 -  
Flight Instructor Flight Training 3 3 -  
Add-On Class Rating - 2 -  
Add-On CFI Rating - - 2  
Senior Assessment Seminar - - 0.2  
General Education/Electives 13 9 12  
16 16 16.2

Courses marked (even) or (odd) are taught in alternate years only. 2017-2018 is even, 2018-2019 is odd.