

## DSU Commercial Aviation FAQ's

**Q: When can my child expect to begin flying?**

A: First semester except in extremely rare circumstances

**Q: What will my child need to have with them to begin flying at DSU?**

A: You child will need to be in possession of at least a 2<sup>nd</sup> class FAA medical. He/She WILL NOT be able to fly without this. The Transportation Security Administration under the Department of Homeland Security requires that an ORIGINAL birth certificate be provided to the Flight Department Administration for verification of US residency. The original will be returned to your son/daughter. They must also be in possession of a VALID GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID. For names and addresses of AME's go to this website: <http://ame.cami.jccbi.gov>.

**Q: How can I as a parent/student pay for flight costs?**

A: Through the Student Business Services department each student will need to set up a university Flight Account. This account is a separate account whose funds can only be used for aviation specific costs. Any money put into the account can be withdrawn through the withdrawal process. Once a deposit is received by DSU the airport Flight Coordinator is notified of the deposit amount. Airport personal DO NOT handle money of any kind with the exception of some textbook purchases. ALL flight account deposits go through Student Business Services.

**Q: Are flight costs separate from tuition?**

A: YES. All flight costs are in ADDITION to normal tuition costs. You can see the current cost projections for the entire Bachelor of Commercial Aviation on the department's website.

**Q: How much money should I deposit in the flight account?**

A: A beginning student can expect to spend approximately \$1000.00 per week if weather and scheduling allow flights each day of the week.

**Q: How many days per week will my child fly?**

A: Each student is scheduled to fly 5 days per week unless their schedule will not allow it due to conflicting classes. A "flight slot" is a 2 hour slot scheduled at the airport. It can be thought of as a "lab". During that slot flights typically last about 1 hour and 12 minutes (1.2 hours). Not all lessons in a syllabus are flight lessons. Some lessons are ground school lessons, and the student is not charged for use of an airplane that he/she doesn't use.