

Delta State University 2025-26 Aviation Cost Estimate

Course	FAA Written*	FAA Check Ride	FTD	Ground Instruction	Flight Instruction	Aircraft Rental	Estimated Course Cost
CAV 251	\$175	N/A	3.2 hours @ \$95.00 \$304	39.8 hours @ \$60.00 \$2388	37.0 hours @ \$60 \$2220	42.2 hours @ \$165 \$6963 or 42.2 hours @ \$140 \$5908	\$12,050.00 C172 or \$10,995.00 C152
CAV 353/354	\$175	N/A	13.8 hours @ \$95.00 \$1311	30.0 hours @ \$60.00 \$1800	54.8 hours @ \$60.00 \$3288	41.0 hours @ \$210 \$8610	\$15,148.00
CAV 355	\$175	*\$600 1.5 hours C172 @ \$185 \$277.50	11.7 hours @ \$95.00 \$1111.5	30.1 hours @ \$60.00 \$1806	50.3 hours @ \$60.00 \$3018	16.1 hours SR20 @ \$260 \$4186 42.4 Hours C172 @ \$185 \$7844	\$19,018.00
CAV 363	N/A	N/A	9.9 hours @ \$95.00 \$940.5	15.0 hours @ \$60.00 \$900	30.7 hours @ \$60 \$1842	20.8 hours DA42 @ \$310 \$6448	\$10,130.50
CAV 361	2 @ \$175 \$350	*\$800 1.5 hours C172 @ \$185 \$277.50	3.6 hours @ \$95.00 \$342	45.5 hours @ \$60.00 \$2730	19.3 hours @ \$60.00 \$1158	6.0 hours DA42 @ \$310 \$1860 12.1 hours Single @ \$185 \$2238.5	\$9,756.00
CAV 390	\$175	*\$600 1.5 hours SR20 @ \$260 \$390.00	N/A	16.0 hours @ \$60.00 \$960	15.2 hours @ \$60.00 \$912	15.2 hours @ \$260 \$3952	\$6,989.00
MEI Add-On (Part 61)	N/A	*\$600 1.5 hours DA42 @ \$310 \$465	N/A	4.0 hours @ \$60.00 \$240	4.8 hours @ \$60.00 \$288	4.8 hours @ \$310 \$1488	\$3,081.00
Total (CAV 251 C172)							\$76,172.50
Total (CAV 251 C152)							\$75,117.50
Misc Costs							\$1,500.00
Total CAV 251 C172							\$77,672.50
Total CAV 251 C152							\$76,617.50

*Fees not paid to Delta State, but to testing centers or examiners

The above represents the estimated minimum costs for each course. Students typically require 10-15% more flight training hours to achieve the FAA standards.