Flight Students Required Documents

Our goal at ERAU Prescott is to get our flight students flying on the first day or two of classes. But to do that, we need your help. The FAA and the TSA have documentation requirements that we have to follow before we are allowed to start any flight training. This document is intended to help you make sure that when you show up at orientation, you have everything you need to start flying on the first day.

FAA Documents

Students are required under our FAA-approved Training Course Outline and our Flight Operations Manual to have the following documents before they can start flying:

1. Student Pilot Certificate
   OR
1. Private Pilot Certificate
   AND
2. FAA Flight Medical with First or Second Class Privileges

Fortunately for students who do not have at least a Private Pilot Certificate yet, the Medical and the Student Pilot Certificate are the same document and you will need to get it from an FAA Aviation Medical Examiner.

- Go to www.faa.gov/pilots/amelocator to search for an examiner in your area.
- You must have at least First or Second Class Medical privileges to start flying.

Although only a Third Class is required for flight training per the FAA, we want to make sure that all students start their flight training with the minimum requirements to use their Commercial Pilot certificate when they are done with all their flight courses.

- You will be required to fill out a MedXPress application prior to attending your physical examination at medxpress.faa.gov

Please remember to check the following boxes on the application to ensure you have the correct certificate.

- If you already have a Private Pilot certificate or higher, then we will need to see the certificate during orientation and you are still required to have a First or Second class Airman Medical Certificate to start flying.
- If you have a certificate that says First or Second Class and it is older than 12 months, you now only have Third Class privileges and must get a new certificate to start flying at ERAU.

After starting training you need only maintain a valid medical certificate (i.e. not sustain some kind of disqualifying injury) for the remainder of your flight training, regardless of the date of issuance.

TSA Documents

Per the Transportation Security Administration, we are required to have documentation proving citizenship prior to commencing any flight training. For US Citizens, this is a one-time requirement at the beginning that will be valid as long as you are a flight student at ERAU. At orientation you must provide either:

1. A valid United States passport
   OR
2. An original birth certificate (no photocopies)
   AND
2. A Government issued ID (usually a driver’s license or military ID)

We will make copies and return the originals to you at orientation unless you have already provided those documents to campus records. Without them on file, we cannot legally start any flight training with a student.

International students should contact Lori Brimhall at brimhal@erau.edu or 928-777-4327 for your specific requirements.