SERVE. LEAD. FLY.

Military Aviation

Fly missions that matter: defense, airlift, aerial refueling, rescue, reconnaissance, and humanitarian support.

Choose a service pathway

Explore the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Army, and Coast Guard, including available Guard and Reserve opportunities.

College and officer routes

Service academies, ROTC, and officer training programs offer routes to aviation. Most commissioned pilot routes require a bachelor's degree.

Army warrant officer route

The Army also offers a competitive aviation warrant officer pathway for qualified high school graduates.

A separate route to the cockpit

Civilian flight training builds a foundation, but the full civilian certificate sequence is not required for every military route.

Selection, medical standards, aircraft assignments, and service commitments vary by branch and program.

EXPLORE THE MISSION. PREPARE TO SERVE.

YOUR NEXT STEP

Start a conversation. Build your future.

Tell CTA what excites you about flying. We can help you understand the first steps and explore ground school or an introductory flight.

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Career information: FAA (faa.gov/pilots); 14 CFR Parts 61, 121 and 135 (ecfr.gov); official military service recruiting resources. Requirements vary by role and employer.

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YOUR FUTURE AS A

PROFESSIONAL PILOT

Many careers. One first step.



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Move people. Deliver essentials. Protect communities. Teach. Serve.

Discover where aviation could take you - and how you can begin in high school.

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Learning Shapes The Pilot.
Discipline Sustains The Pilot.

DISCOVER YOUR MISSION

Careers Beyond the Airlines

Charter & Corporate

Fly travelers on demand or transport company teams for business.

Contract Flying

Provide pilot services to aircraft owners or operators on an assignment basis.

Cargo & Freight

Carry packages, medical supplies, and other essential goods.

Aerial Photography & Survey

Capture images, map terrain, or inspect pipelines and power lines.

Aerial Firefighting

Support wildfire response through aircraft missions protecting people and land.

Flight Instruction

Teach new pilots, develop your own skills, and earn income while building flight time.

Other Specialized Missions

Explore agricultural aviation, air ambulance, scenic tours, and parachute operations.

Jobs may require additional ratings, training, experience, and operator authorization. Firefighting and medical flying typically require substantial experience.

FIND THE KIND OF FLYING THAT INSPIRES YOU.

THE CIVILIAN PATHWAY

Build Your Qualifications

1. **Private Pilot Certificate**
   Build safe flying skills and earn your first pilot certificate.
2. **Instrument Rating**
   Learn to fly by reference to instruments under instrument flight rules.
3. **Commercial Pilot Certificate**
   Your professional entry point: qualify for paid flying within your privileges.
4. **Multi-Engine Rating**
   Train for airplanes with multiple engines. Required for multi-engine jobs; optional for others.
5. **Flight Instructor Certificate**
   An optional way to earn income and build flight experience while teaching.

ADVANCE TO AIRLINE TRANSPORT PILOT

Fly as a first officer or captain for regional and major airlines or major cargo carriers. Airline first officers need an ATP or eligible restricted ATP and an aircraft type rating.

The standard airplane ATP pathway requires 1,500 total hours; eligible restricted ATP routes allow fewer. Training order can vary with career goals.

BUILD SKILL. BUILD JUDGMENT. BUILD EXPERIENCE.

START NOW - FROM WHERE YOU ARE

CTA Private Pilot Ground School

JOIN LIVE, VIRTUALLY

Learn with CTA from Peachtree City.

40 hours over 10 weeks. Two live classes each week, with instructor interaction.

Prepare for the FAA knowledge test: weather, navigation, aerodynamics, aircraft systems, regulations, and judgment.

Learn from an FAA-certificated flight instructor and Advanced Ground Instructor, and former USAF Master Instructor.

YOU CAN BEGIN IN HIGH SCHOOL

Build your foundation

Build math, science, communication, teamwork, and consistent study habits.

Explore your options

Talk with an instructor, explore scholarships, and plan an introductory flight.

Aviation Pathway Age Milestones
15: Private Pilot Knowledge Test
16: Student Pilot Certificate / first solo
17: Private Pilot Certificate
18: Commercial Pilot Certificate

No FAA minimum age for ground school or dual instruction.

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