2026 Aviation | Tuition & Fees Private Pilot Certificate

Prerequisites: Completion of Basic Training & Intermediate Training.
This page approximates the hours and cost needed to attain a Private Pilot's Certificate.

Training Schedule *		Course Length	Early Registration	Payment Due
Spring	Mar 14–Jun 6	12 weeks	Feb 9, 2026	Mar 9, 2026
Fall	Aug 29–Nov 21	12 weeks	Jun 15, 2026	Aug 17, 2026

* Subject to a minimum number of students

Training Fees	Amount
Tuition	$2,100.00
Room & Board	$1,920.00
Program Fee	$2,575.00
Plane Rental (10 flight hours / $160 per hour)	$1,600.00
Minimum First Payment	***$8,195.00***
Minimum 30 hrs of additional plane rental*	$4,800.00
Estimated Minimum Fees *	**$12,995.00**

Registration Deposit
A $200 non-refundable deposit is due when registering. The deposit is applied to the total fees.

Includes all applicable taxes

***Additional Plane Rental:** Students average around 50-60 flight hours to be ready for the oral exam and checkride, however, please realize that the amount of time it takes will vary by student. Additional plane rental hours cost $160 per hour including fuel. Plane rental rate is subject to change with a 30-day notice.

Flight Account: Please note that rental fees are kept in a separate account which must maintain a minimum of $320 in order for the student to fly.

Available Discounts
$100 discount if registered by Early Registration date
$100 discount if full payment is made by cash or check
$100 discount if Estimated Minimum Fees are paid in full by payment due date

Additional Expenses	Estimated Amount
Personal Headset * (Student must provide their own before the start of training)	$200 - $1,000
Flight Training Security Program (International students only)	$240
FAA Medical Certificate Exam (Not required if medical is up-to-date)	$100 - $150
FAA Knowledge Test	$175
Checkride	$800 - $1,000
Estimated Additional Expenses	**$1,515 - $2,565**

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2026 Aviation | Tuition & Fees Instrument Rating

Prerequisites: Completion of Basic & Intermediate Training. Student must have his private pilot's certificate.

This page approximates the hours and cost needed to attain an Instrument Rating.

Training Schedule *		Course Length	Early Registration	Payment Due
Winter	Jan 10–Mar 14	9 weeks	Dec 8, 2025	Jan 5, 2026
Spring	Mar 14–Jun 6	12 weeks	Feb 9, 2026	Mar 9, 2026
Summer	June 27–Aug 29	9 weeks	Mar 2, 2026	Jun 15, 2026
Fall	Aug 29–Nov 21	12 weeks	Jun 15, 2026	Aug 17, 2026

* Subject to a minimum number of students

Training Fees	9 Week Session	12 Week Session
Tuition	$1,575.00	$2,100.00
Room & Board	$1,440.00	$1,920.00
Program Fee	$1,980.00	$1,980.00
Plane Rental (10 flight hours / $160 per hour)	$1,600.00	$1,600.00
Minimum First Payment	***$6,595.00***	***$7,600.00***
Minimum 40 hrs of additional plane rental*	$6,400.00	$6,400.00
Estimated Minimum Fees	**$12,995.00**	**$14,000.00**

Includes all applicable taxes

Registration Deposit
A $200 non-refundable deposit is due when registering. The deposit is applied to the total fees.

***Additional Plane Rental:** Students average around 50-60 flight hours to be ready for the oral exam and checkride, however, please realize that the amount of time it takes will vary by student. Additional plane rental hours cost $160 per hour including fuel. Plane rental rate is subject to change with a 30-day notice.

Flight Account: Please note that rental fees are kept in a separate account which must maintain a minimum of $320 in order for the student to fly.

Available Discounts
$100 discount if registered by Early Registration date
$100 discount if full payment is made by cash or check
$100 discount if Estimated Minimum Fees are paid in full by payment due date

Additional Expenses	Estimated Amount
Personal Headset * (Student must provide their own before the start of training)	$200 - $1,000
FAA Medical Certificate Exam (Not required if medical is up-to-date)	$100 - $150
FAA Knowledge Test	$175
Checkride	$800 - $1,000
Estimated Additional Expenses	**$1,275 - $2,325**

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2026 Aviation | Tuition & Fees Commercial Pilot Certificate

Prerequisites: Completion of Basic & Intermediate Training. Student must have his private pilot's certificate with an instrument rating.

This page approximates the hours and cost needed to attain a Commercial Pilot's Certificate

Training Schedule *		Course Length	Early Registration	Payment Due
Winter	Jan 10–Mar 14	9 weeks	Dec 8, 2025	Jan 5, 2026
Spring	Mar 14–Jun 6	12 weeks	Feb 9, 2026	Mar 9, 2026
Summer	June 27–Aug 29	9 weeks	Mar 2, 2026	Jun 15, 2026
Fall	Aug 29–Nov 21	12 weeks	Jun 15, 2026	Aug 17, 2026

* Subject to a minimum number of students

Training Fees	9 Week Session	12 Week Session
Tuition	$1,575.00	$2,100.00
Room & Board	$1,440.00	$1,920.00
Program Fee	$1,167.00	$1,167.00
Plane Rental (20 flight hours / $160 per hour)	$3,200.00	$3,200.00
Minimum First Payment	***$7,382.00***	***$8,387.00***
Estimated 130 hrs of additional plane rental*	$20,800.00	$20,800.00
Estimated 10 hrs of Complex/High Perf. Training**	$3,900.00	$3,900.00
Estimated Minimum Fees	**$32,082.00**	**$33,087.00**

Registration Deposit
A $200 non-refundable deposit is due when registering. The deposit is applied to the total fees.

Includes all applicable taxes

***Additional Plane Rental:** Students must have a minimum of 250 flight hours to meet the FAA aeronautical experience requirements of CFR 61.129. Upon reaching 250 hours of flight time, the student will be evaluated to determine if he is proficient and ready for the oral exam and check ride. Please realize that the amount of time it takes will vary by student. Additional plane rental hours cost $160 per hour including fuel.

****Complex/High Performance Training:** Plane rental cost $390 per hour including fuel.

Flight Account: Please note that rental fees are kept in a separate account which must maintain a minimum of $320 in order for the student to fly. Plane rental rate is subject to change with a 30-day notice.

Available Discounts
$100 discount if registered by Early Registration date
$100 discount if full payment is made by cash or check
$100 discount if Estimated Minimum Fees are paid in full by payment due date

Additional Expenses	Estimated Amount
Personal Headset * (Student must provide their own before the start of training)	$200 - $1,000
FAA Medical Certificate Exam (Not required if medical is up-to-date)	$100 - $150
FAA Knowledge Test	$175
Checkride	$800 - $1,000
Estimated Additional Expenses	**$1,275 - $2,325**

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2026 Aviation | Tuition & Fees Flight Instructor

Prerequisites: Completion of Basic & Intermediate Training. Student must also hold a Commercial Pilot's Certificate with Instrument Rating.

This page approximates the hours and cost needed to become a Certified Flight Instructor (CFI).

Schedule training within these date ranges *	
Winter	Jan 10–Mar 14
Spring	Mar 14–Jun 6
Summer	June 27–Aug 29
Fall	Aug 29–Nov 21

* After the application process is complete, students can coordinate preferred training dates with the instructor.

Payment Due
Full Estimated Total Fees are due 1 week before training begins.

Training Fees	Amount
Tuition *(6 week estimated minimum)*	$1,050.00
Room & Board *(6 week estimated minimum)*	$960.00
Program Fee	$910.00
Plane Rental (20 flight hours / $160 per hour)	$3,200.00
Estimated Total Fees	**$6,120.00**

Includes all applicable taxes

Registration Deposit
A $200 non-refundable deposit is due when registering. The deposit is applied to the total fees.

Additional Fees: The amount of time it takes will vary by student. Additional Room & Board/Tuition costs $335 per week and additional plane rental costs $160 per hour including fuel. Plane rental rate is subject to change with a 30-day notice.

Flight Account: Please note that rental fees are kept in a separate account which must maintain a minimum of $320 in order for the student to fly.

Available Discounts
$100 discount if full payment is made by cash or check

Additional Expenses	Estimated Amount
Personal Headset * (Student must provide their own before the start of training)	$200 - $1,000
FAA Medical Certificate Exam (Not required if medical is up-to-date)	$100 - $150
FAA Knowledge Test (FIA and FOI)	$400
Checkride	$800 - $1,000
Estimated Additional Expenses	**$1,500 - $2,550**

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2026 Aviation | Tuition & Fees Flight Instructor - Instrument

Prerequisites: Completion of Basic & Intermediate Training. Student must hold a Commercial Pilot's Certificate with Instrument Rating and be a Certified Flight Instructor.

This page approximates the hours and cost needed to become a Certified Flight Instructor (CFII).

Schedule training within these date ranges *	
Winter	Jan 10–Mar 14
Spring	Mar 14–Jun 6
Summer	June 27–Aug 29
Fall	Aug 29–Nov 21

* After the application process is complete, students can coordinate preferred training dates with the instructor.

Payment Due
Full Estimated Total Fees are due 1 week before training begins.

Training Fees	Amount
Tuition *(6 week estimated minimum)*	$1,050.00
Room & Board *(6 week estimated minimum)*	$960.00
Program Fee	$877.00
Plane Rental (20 flight hours / $160 per hour)	$3,200.00
Estimated Total Fees	**$6,087.00**

Includes all applicable taxes

Registration Deposit
A $200 non-refundable deposit is due when registering. The deposit is applied to the total fees.

Additional Fees: The amount of time it takes will vary by student. Additional Room & Board/Tuition costs $335 per week and additional plane rental costs $160 per hour including fuel. Plane rental rate is subject to change with a 30-day notice.

Flight Account: Please note that rental fees are kept in a separate account which must maintain a minimum of $320 in order for the student to fly.

Available Discounts
$100 discount if full payment is made by cash or check

Additional Expenses	Estimated Amount
Personal Headset * (Student must provide their own before the start of training)	$200 - $1,000
FAA Medical Certificate Exam (Not required if medical is up-to-date)	$100 - $150
FAA Knowledge Test (FII)	$175
Checkride	$800 - $1,000
Estimated Additional Expenses	**$1,275 - $2,325**

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Accepted Payment Methods

Check
Make checks payable to ALERT with the Student's name in the memo line. Please allow 7 business days if mailing payment, and send to:

International ALERT Academy
Attn: Finance Department
One Academy Blvd.
Big Sandy, TX 75755

International Students
Credit card is the preferred payment method for international students. However, cash or checks in United States currency are also accepted.

Online via Credit Card
We accept all major credit cards through our online payment form. www.alertacademy.com/pay

If using a debit card, please ensure your bank's transaction limit allows your payment amount.

Installments
Contact the office to be placed on the installment plan.

Delinquent Payments

Consequences for Delinquent Payment
Training cannot begin unless full payment or the first installment has been made. Students who fall behind on payments may be removed from training or excluded from any of the following:

- Events like, but not limited to, clinicals, checkrides, live burns, and class trips
- Promotion
- Course completion certificates and transcript
- Graduation certificate
- Participation in their Graduation or Advancement ceremony

Additional Discounts

ALERT Preview Day Voucher
Students who come to ALERT Preview Day prior to Basic Training will receive a $300 discount off of the full price for Basic Training. This discount may not be combined with the Quest Student Discount.

Quest Student Discount
Previous Quest students receive a $300 discount off of the full price for Basic Training. This discount may not be combined with the ALERT Preview Day Voucher.

ALERT Graduate Discount
Students will receive a $300 discount for any full training quarter after they graduate.

Extra Fees & Refunds

Non-sufficient Funds
A $30 fee will be charged for any check returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF).

Out-processing Fee
A $135 out-processing fee will be charged to men who leave ALERT in the middle of a training quarter, for any reason other than medical discharge.

Meals
There is no refund for men who choose to skip on-campus meals. Students who are required to be off-campus for training will have their food provided or be given a meal allowance.

Refunds for Partial Training
Room & Board will be refunded only for full weeks remaining. Tuition and Program fees are not refundable. Scholarships and discounts are not refundable or transferable.

See www.alertacademy.com/refund for more details.

Scholarships

Thanks to generous donors who want to see more young men go through ALERT, we are able to offer financial aid through a variety of different scholarship categories.

Learn more & apply at:
www.alertacademy.com/financial-aid

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