



AVAT11007 Flight Planning, Performance and Operation (Private Pilot Licence)

Term 3 - 2022

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General Information

Overview

This unit will provide you with the aeronautical knowledge of flight planning, navigation, performance, loading and operations pertaining to small general aviation aircraft. You will calculate basic flight plans and fuel plans. You will also study meteorological and navigational factors that affect flying, including aerodrome forecasts and area forecasts. You will develop knowledge of planning flights on navigational charts and airspace requirements. You will also study the flight rules and procedures relevant to a Private Pilot. In this unit, you will cover the aeronautical knowledge requirements of Schedule 3 of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority's Part 61, Manual of Standards (Aeronautical Knowledge Standards) applicable to the Private Pilot Licence. This will allow you to sit the Private Pilot Licence (Aeroplane) Examination which is a prerequisite for attempting the flight test for the Private Pilot Licence.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 1*

Credit Points: 12

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.25

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Prerequisite unit: AVAT11002 Basic Aeronautical Knowledge

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 3 - 2022

- Bundaberg
- Cairns
- Online

Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 12-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 25 hours of study per week, making a total of 300 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

[Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

[Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **Online Quiz(zes)**

Weighting: 40%

2. **Examination**

Weighting: 60%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from DDLT

Feedback

Spend less time in lectures and more interactive time with the students.

Recommendation

1. As the main teaching tool, continue with the teacher-centered style of learning (lectures) 2. Introduce and encourage student-centered style of learning using work books 3. Develop work books for T222 as a self-directed study tool used in conjunction with quizzes 4. Have more discussion around topics to encourage student engagement

Feedback from Self

Feedback

Identify learning gaps

Recommendation

1. Obtain results from formative weekly quizzes and identify learning gaps 2. Spend time before each new lectures addressing learning gaps

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Extract and apply relevant information from aviation documents and charts in the Civil Aviation Publications, Civil Aviation Advisory Publications, Civil Aviation Legislation, and Notices to Airmen
2. Explain the basic human factors considerations for a Private Pilot
3. Convert between time standards using beginning and end of civil twilight graphs or charts
4. Describe the principle of operation of Global Navigation Satellite Systems navigation, its advantages, disadvantages, limitations, and restrictions
5. Demonstrate basic knowledge of the atmosphere including heat, temperature, humidity, pressure, clouds and precipitation, local weather, meteorological forecasts and reports, and their effect on planning a basic navigation exercise
6. Complete a basic flight plan with an Equi-Time Point including take-off and landing, cruise, climb and descent performance, and weight and balance using available weather forecasts and operational briefing documents
7. Demonstrate a knowledge of the Private Pilot Licence competencies in Schedule 3 of Part 61, Manual of Standards.

There is no external accreditation for aviation awards however, there are legal requirements to be met under the Civil Aviation Act and Civil Aviation Regulations.

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 - Online Quiz(zes) - 40%	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2 - Examination - 60%	•	•	•		•	•	•

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 - Communication				•	•		•
2 - Problem Solving			•			•	•
3 - Critical Thinking							•
4 - Information Literacy		•		•			•
5 - Team Work							
6 - Information Technology Competence		•					•
7 - Cross Cultural Competence							
8 - Ethical practice		•		•	•	•	•
9 - Social Innovation		•			•	•	•
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures							

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 - Online Quiz(zes) - 40%	•	•	•	•		•		•	•	
2 - Examination - 60%	•	•	•	•				•	•	

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

AVAT11007

Prescribed

Aerodynamics for the private & commercial pilot licences.

Edition: 1st (2015)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre (NZ)

Darra , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 9781875537839

Binding: Paperback

AVAT11007

Prescribed

Aircraft General Knowledge for the Private and Commercial Pilot Licences

2nd Edition (2018)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre Pty Ltd

Narrangba , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 978_1_875537_14_3

Binding: Paperback

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Prescribed

Aircraft Operation, Performance and Planning for the Private and Commercial Pilot Licences

6th Edition (2022)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre Pty Ltd

Narrangba , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 978-1-875537-27-3

Binding: Paperback

AVAT11007

Prescribed

Flight Rules and Air Law : For the Private and Commercial Pilot Licences

22nd Edition (2022)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre Pty Ltd

Hamilton , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 978-0-949499-41-7

Binding: Paperback

AVAT11007

Prescribed

Human Factors for the Private and Commercial Pilot Licences

5th Edition (2021)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre Pty Ltd

Narrangba , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 978-0-949499-18-9

Binding: Paperback

AVAT11007

Prescribed

Meteorology : for the private and commercial pilot licenses

3rd Edition (2021)

Authors: David Robson

Aviation Theory Centre Pty Ltd

Hamilton , QLD , Australia

ISBN: 978-0-949499-32-5

Binding: Paperback

Additional Textbook Information

Purchase all of your requirements, including uniforms at the CQUni Bookshop here: <http://bookshop.cqu.edu.au> (search on the Unit code)

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)
For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 07 Nov 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Meteorology-Basic Met 1	Robson's Meteorology. Chapters 1-8	Quiz 1
Meteorology -Basic Met 2	Robson's Meteorology:Chapters 1-8	

Week 2 - 14 Nov 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Meteorology: Met Systems	Robson's Meteorology:Chapters 7,8	Quiz 2
Meteorology: Forecasts and Reports	Robson's Meteorology:Chapters 9	

Week 3 - 21 Nov 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
General Navigation	Robson's Navigation:Chapters 1,2,3	Quiz 3
Navigation: Computational techniques	Robson's Navigation:Chapters 4 and 5	

Week 4 - 28 Nov 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Navigation: Planning	Robson's Navigation:Chapters 5	Quiz 4
Navigation: VOR, GNSS	Robson's Navigation:Chapters 6,7,8,9	

Vacation Week - 05 Dec 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Week 5 - 12 Dec 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Navigation Flight Procedures	Robson's Navigation:Chapters 5	Quiz 5
Navigation: Planning a flight plan	Robson's Navigation: Chapters 1-9	

Week 6 - 19 Dec 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Performance – Airspace and Aerodromes	Robson's Aircraft Operation, Performance and Planning: Chapter 1 Robson's Flight Rules and Air Law: Chapters 5,6,7,8	Quiz 6
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Performance--p-charts, loading, PNR, ETP Loading, PNR, ETP(CP)	Robson's Aircraft Operation, Performance and Planning: Chapters 1,2, 5,6
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Vacation Week - 26 Dec 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Week 7 - 02 Jan 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Aeronautical knowledge-Systems	Robson's Aircraft General Knowledge: Chapters 2,6,13,14,15 Robson's Flight Rules and Air Law: Chapter 4,6,7,8 -VFG Radio telephony, https://vfrg.casa.gov.au/general/ -AIP GEN 3.4	Quiz 7
Aeronautical knowledge-Radio	-AIP GEN 1.5	

Week 8 - 09 Jan 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Aeronautical knowledge -GNSS	Robson's Aircraft General knowledge: Chapter 17	
Aeronautical knowledge-Props, Take-off and Landing performance, Density alt -Pressure alt p-charts	Robson's Aircraft General knowledge: Chapters 7,16 Robson's Aircraft Operation, Performance and Planning Chapter 2 Lecture notes	Quiz 8

Week 9 - 16 Jan 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Air law-documentation	Robson's Flight Rules and Air Law: Chapter 1	Quiz 9
Air law - Licensing	Robson's Flight Rules and Air Law: Chapter 2	

Week 10 - 23 Jan 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Air law - operational	Robson's Flight Rules and Air Law: Chapters 2,3,4,	Quiz 10
Human performance - health	Robson's Human Factors: Chapters 1,2	

Week 11 - 30 Jan 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Human Performance-operational - Health 1	Robson's Human Factors: Chapters 1,3,4,	Quiz 11 Not assessed
Human Performance-operational - Health 2	Robson's Human Factors: Chapters 1,3,4	

Week 12 - 06 Feb 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Human Factors and TEMS	Robson's Human Factors: Chapters 5,6,7,8	Quiz 12- Not assessed
Revision		

Assessment Tasks

1 Assessment 1

Assessment Type

Online Quiz(zes)

Task Description

10 weekly quizzes will be given each comprising 20 questions. Students have 30min to complete the multiple choice quiz. The day and time of the quizzes are yet to be advised.

Number of Quizzes

10

Frequency of Quizzes

Weekly

Assessment Due Date

Each quiz is left open for a week starting on the evening of the second lecture and finishing on the morning of the next first lecture

Return Date to Students

online

Weighting

40%

Assessment Criteria

The quizzes cover content taught in the first 20 lectures and tutorials. The weighting of the quizzes is 40%.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

submit online once quiz is complete

Learning Outcomes Assessed

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Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy

- Information Technology Competence
- Ethical practice
- Social Innovation

Examination

Outline

Complete an invigilated examination.

Date

During the examination period at a CQUniversity examination centre.

Weighting

60%

Length

150 minutes

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Exam Conditions

Restricted.

Materials

Dictionary - non-electronic, concise, direct translation only (dictionary must not contain any notes or comments).

Calculator - non-programmable, no text retrieval, silent only

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?



Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem