



# ASU STUDENT FINANCIAL GUIDE

## Introduction

This guide provides ASU Professional Flight Program students and stakeholders with important information about the cost of the flight training portion of the program. Use this information to make financial plans before you start the program and as you progress through training.

In this guide, you will learn about:

- recommended budget for each semester
- program structure and minimum costs
- tips to minimize cost

Detailed policies and procedures pertaining to ASU Professional Flight Program students and their flight training with ATP may be found in the ATP-ASU Student Handbook.

## Flight Training Budget

### Recommended Budget by Semester

Semester	Certificate/Rating	Recommended Budget
1	Private	\$20,282
2	Instrument (1/2)	\$14,844
3	Instrument (2/2)	\$14,844
4	Commercial (ME/SE)	\$21,408
5	CFI (MEI/CFISE/CFII)	\$13,288

Flight training requires an average of 5 semesters to train from zero flight time through certified flight instructor. These semesters represent your first through fifth semesters of flight training but not necessarily your first through fifth semesters of the academic program.

The recommended budget represents minimum flight training program costs plus 20%. This provides a buffer for extra training (if required) and additional ground/briefing time. Add this recommended flight training budget to your academic course budget.

The flight training budget does not include ASU class registration fees, FAA knowledge test fees, designated pilot examiners fees, pilot supplies, or living expenses.

## Minimum Flight Training Costs

	Equipment	Hours	Rate	Cost
<b>Private</b>				
	CE-172 (Dual)	66	\$221	\$14,586
	CE-172 (Solo/Checkride)	12	\$150	\$1,800
	FTD	6	\$86	\$516
			<b>Total Stage Estimate</b>	<b>\$16,902</b>
<b>Instrument</b>				
	CE-172 (Dual)	92	\$221	\$20,332
	CE-172 (Checkride)	2	\$150	\$300
	FTD	23	\$86	\$1,978
	141 Ground	30	\$71	\$2,130
			<b>Total Stage Estimate</b>	<b>\$24,740</b>
<b>Commercial (Single-Engine/Multi-Engine)</b>				
	CE-172 (Dual)	37	\$221	\$8,177
	CE-172 (Checkride)	2	\$150	\$300
	FTD	24	\$86	\$2,064
	PA-44 (Dual)	10	\$413	\$4,130
	PA-44 (Checkride)	2	\$342	\$684
	141 Ground	35	\$71	\$2,485
			<b>Total Stage Estimate</b>	<b>\$17,840</b>
<b>CFI (CFISE/CFII/MEI)</b>				
	CE-172 (Dual)	20	\$221	\$4,420
	CE-172 (Checkride)	4	\$150	\$600
	PA-44 (Dual)	13	\$413	\$5,369
	PA-44 (Checkride)	2	\$342	\$684
			<b>Total Stage Estimate</b>	<b>\$11,073</b>
			<b>Total Program Estimate</b>	<b>\$70,555</b>

The flight training portion of the ASU Professional Flight Program is distributed across four stages of certification: Private, Instrument, Commercial and CFI. Each stage should require just one semester to complete, except the Instrument stage, which requires two semesters.

The estimated hours are minimum times. Some students exceed minimum training times and require additional flight and ground/briefing time above 141 minimum requirements.

## Schedule of Rates

Equipment	Hourly Rate
Cessna 172 (Single-Engine Dual)	\$221
Cessna 172 (Single-Engine Solo/Checkride)	\$150
Piper PA-44 (Multi-Engine Dual)	\$413
Piper PA-44 (Multi-Engine Checkride)	\$342
FTD (CRX/FRASCA)	\$86
Ground/Briefing	\$71
Classroom-style Ground	\$35

Rates are updated each semester based on the cost of fuel. The rate quoted at the beginning of the semester will remain fixed throughout the semester except in the most extreme circumstances. (For details, see the ATP-ASU Student Handbook.)

## Tips to Minimize Cost

### Meet Flight Block Requirement

ASU requires professional flight students to schedule a minimum of 3 training blocks per week. Training blocks are your class schedule for training with ATP. Students who regularly attend training events benefit from increased proficiency and less re-training of previous lessons, which keeps costs on-budget.

### Arrive Prepared

Each flight, ground, or simulator event has a lesson plan available on your student extranet. Read the lesson plan and arrive prepared. Students who arrive prepared spend more time flying instead of re-training requisite ground knowledge while losing flight proficiency. Students who arrive prepared are more likely to stay on budget.

### Train Over Consecutive Semesters

ASU recommends that students begin flight training in their freshman year and continue training for five consecutive semesters, including summers. This improves flight proficiency and minimizes cost. It also maximizes flight experience as a paid flight instructor while completing degree requirements in the junior and senior years.