

Post 9/11 GI Bill Coverage of Flight Course Fees

Western Michigan University

Undergraduate Catalog Addendum

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All university courses that include a flight training component have a flight fee associated with the course. These flight course fees are established by the College of Aviation and approved by the Provost. When the College of Aviation establishes these fees, the college calculates the expected hours of use for aircraft, simulator and instructional time and multiplies the expected hours by the approved hourly rate for the assigned resources. Also included within the course fees are funds to cover mandatory fees such as required supplies and drug testing and funds to cover miscellaneous expenses such as optional pilot supplies and FAA knowledge exam fees.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 GI Bill will cover flight course fees, in accordance with the bill's provisions and the individual veteran's benefits, but only to the extent to cover the minimum required hours of training and any mandatory fees. Since the university's flight fees are calculated on expected hours, rather than minimum, and includes funds to cover optional miscellaneous expenses, the entire flight course fee cannot be submitted to the VA for payment consideration.

All students who enroll in flight courses will have the entire university flight course fee charged to their account. Those veterans, or their qualified dependents, which are using Post 9/11 benefits to cover flight course fees will then have a portion of the flight course fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration. The portion of the course fee is based on the minimum required hours of training, the resource hourly rates and mandatory fees. The following shows what total flight fees will be submitted to the VA for payment consideration. The actual payment amount from the VA will depend on the veteran's eligibility level. The veteran is responsible for any difference between the university flight fee and the VA's coverage of the fee.

AVS 1520 – Professional Flight 1 Lab A

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 24.0 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 6,000.00 |
| 6.2 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 440.20 |
| 54.0 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,700.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 587.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 9,727.20 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 10,752.22 |

AVS 1525 – Professional Flight 1 Lab B

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 29.3 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 7,325.00 |
| 4.0 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 284.00 |
| 48.8 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,440.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 165.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 10,214.00 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 12,186.90 |

AVS 2520 – Professional Flight II Lab

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 31.0 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 7,750.00 |
| 25.5 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 1,810.50 |
| 80.0 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 256.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 13,816.50 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 16,048.29 |

AVS 3320 – Single Engine Seaplane

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 11.7 | Piper PA18 Supercub Aircraft | \$ 200.00 | \$ 2,340.00 |
| 15.5 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 775.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 20.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 3,135.00 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 3,067.00 |

AVS 3540 & 3560 – Professional Flight III & IV Labs

*Note: The combination of courses AVS 3540 and 3560 provides commercial training for both single and multi engine certification. The sequence of training can be conducted either with initial training conducted in single engine aircraft and then multi engine add-on certification or initial training in multi engine aircraft and then single engine certification.

Initial commercial training conducted in a SEL aircraft**AVS 3540 - Professional Flight III Lab**

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 37.5 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 9,375.00 |
| 6.3 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 447.30 |
| 50.6 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,530.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 51.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 12,403.30 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 13,664.53 |

AVS 3560 – Professional Flight IV Lab

* Initial commercial training accomplished in a SEL aircraft with MEL add-on

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 16.3 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 4,075.00 |
| 3.2 | Super Decathlon Aircraft | \$ 245.00 | \$ 784.00 |
| 12.3 | Piper Seminole Aircraft | \$ 285.00 | \$ 3,505.50 |
| 1.2 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 85.20 |
| 3.2 | Redbird FMX-1000 Training Device | \$ 56.00 | \$ 179.20 |
| 54.4 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,720.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 225.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 11,573.90 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 14,736.06 |

Initial commercial training conducted in a MEL aircraft

AVS 3540 - Professional Flight III Lab

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 8.5 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 2,125.00 |
| 23.0 | Piper Seminole Aircraft | \$ 285.00 | \$ 6,555.00 |
| 3.2 | Super Decathlon Aircraft | \$ 245.00 | \$ 784.00 |
| 2.5 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 177.50 |
| 4.8 | Redbird FMX-1000 Training Device | \$ 56.00 | \$ 268.80 |
| 56.5 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,825.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 51.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 12,786.30 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 14,085.83 |

AVS 3560 – Professional Flight IV Lab

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 13.5 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 3,375.00 |
| 20.5 | Piper Seminole Aircraft | \$ 285.00 | \$ 5,842.50 |
| 2 | Redbird FMX-1000 Training Device | \$ 56.00 | \$ 112.00 |
| 56 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2,800.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 225.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 12,354.50 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 15,036.25 |

AVS 4020 – Multi-Engine Rating

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 12.3 | Piper Seminole Aircraft | \$ 285.00 | \$ 3,505.50 |
| 3.2 | Redbird FMX-1000 Training Device | \$ 56.00 | \$ 179.20 |
| 23.8 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 1,190.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ - |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 4,874.70 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 6,035.40 |

AVS 4040 – Instrument Flight Instructing

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------------|
| 6.0 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 1,500.00 |
| 4.0 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 284.00 |
| 20.0 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 165.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 2,949.00 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | <i>\$ 2,974.00</i> |

AVS 4060 – Flight Instructor Certification

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|---------------------|
| 23.5 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 5,875.00 |
| 1.0 | Super Decathlon Aircraft | \$ 245.00 | \$ 245.00 |
| 1.0 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 71.00 |
| 67.5 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 3,375.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 390.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 9,956.00 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | <i>\$ 10,324.00</i> |

AVS 4090 – Multi-Engine Flight Instructor

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------------|
| 10 | Piper Seminole Aircraft | \$ 285.00 | \$ 2,850.00 |
| 2 | Redbird FMX-1000 Training Device | \$ 56.00 | \$ 112.00 |
| 18 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 900.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ - |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 3,862.00 |
| Note: Students enrolling in this course are expected to have at least 7 hours of multi engine pilot in command flight experience. | | | |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | <i>\$ 3,887.00</i> |

AVS 4970 – Special Flight Instruction – (Transition course for Private Pilot)

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 8.1 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 2,025.00 |
| 3.9 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 276.90 |
| 26.5 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 1,325.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ 143.00 |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 3,769.90 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 5,608.60 |

AVS 4970 – Special Flight Instruction – (Transition course for Instrument Rating)

| <u>Hours</u> | <u>Resource</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 6.2 | Cirrus SR20 Aircraft | \$ 250.00 | \$ 1,550.00 |
| 6.8 | Frasca 241 Training Device | \$ 71.00 | \$ 482.80 |
| 28.4 | Flight, Ground and Pre/Post Instruction | \$ 50.00 | \$ 1,420.00 |
| Required Fees | | | \$ - |
| Total fee submitted to the VA for payment consideration | | | \$ 3,452.80 |
| <i>Total course fee charged to student's account</i> | | | \$ 3,948.60 |
