# AT139: Technically Advanced Aircraft

# **General Information**

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Course Code (CB01): AT139

Course Title (CB02): Technically Advanced Aircraft

Department:

**Proposal Start:** Spring 2025

TOP Code (CB03): (0950.10) Aviation Airframe Mechanics

CIP Code: (47.0607) Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician.

SAM Code (CB09): Clearly Occupational

**Distance Education Approved:** No Will this course be taught

asynchronously?:

No

Course Control Number (CB00): CCC000550700 **Curriculum Committee Approval Date:** 05/22/2024 **Board of Trustees Approval Date:** 07/16/2024 05/22/2024 Last Cyclical Review Date:

**Course Description and Course Note:** AT 139 introduces the student pilot to advanced avionics systems incorporated into an

> aircraft's cockpit. This course prepares the pilot to operate Global Positioning System (GPS) navigation systems as well as the latest integrated flight systems known as "glass cockpits".

It covers the variety of information provided by these advanced navigation and communication systems as well as proper procedures in the event of their failure.

Justification: Mandatory Revision

**Academic Career:** Credit

Mode of Delivery:

Curtis G Potter Author:

Course Family:

# **Academic Senate Discipline**

**Primary Discipline:** Aeronautics

Alternate Discipline: No value Alternate Discipline: No value

Course Development				
Basic Skill Status (CB08)  Course is not a basic skills cours	5e.	Course Special Class Status (CB13)  Course is not a special class.	<ul><li>Grading Basis</li><li>Grade with Pass / No-Pass Option</li></ul>	
Allow Students to Gain Cred Exam/Challenge	it by	Pre-Collegiate Level (CB21)  Not applicable.	Course Support Course Status (CB26)  Course is not a support course	
General Education an	d C-ID			
General Education Status (C	B25)			
Transferability		Transferability Status		
Transferable to CSU only		Approved		
Units and Hours				
Summary				
Minimum Credit Units (CB07)	3			
Maximum Credit Units (CB06)	3			
Total Course In-Class (Contact) Hours	54			
Total Course Out-of-Class Hours	108			

# **Total Student Learning** 162 Hours **Credit / Non-Credit Options** Course Type (CB04) **Noncredit Course Category (CB22) Noncredit Special Characteristics** Credit - Degree Applicable Credit Course. No Value **Course Classification Code (CB11) Funding Agency Category (CB23)** Cooperative Work Experience Education Status (CB10) Credit Course. Not Applicable. Variable Credit Course **Weekly Student Hours Course Student Hours** In Class **Out of Class Course Duration (Weeks)** 18 Lecture Hours 3 6 Hours per unit divisor 0

Course In-Class (Contact) Hours

54

0

0

Lecture

Studio

Laboratory

0

Laboratory

Studio Hours

Hours

Laboratory	0			
Studio	0			
Total	108			
Time Commitment Note	es for Students			
No value				
Units and Hours - Week	ly Specialty Hours			
Activity Name	Туре	In Class	Out of Class	
No Value	No Value	No Value	No Value	
Pre-requisites, Co-requ	isites, Anti-requisites ar	nd Advisories		
Advisory				
AT120 - Private Pilot Gro	und School			
<u>Objectives</u>				
	ion Regulations to flight. route communication procedures.			
<ul> <li>Demonstrate knowledge</li> </ul>	ledge of weather theory.			
<ul><li>Evaluate aviation w</li><li>Develop the skills o</li></ul>	eather information. f navigation, including radio, pilota	ige, and dead-reckoning.		
OR				
Advisory				
Possession of a private pilot	's certificate			
Entry Standards				
Entry Standards				
Course Limitations				

Total

Lecture

**Course Out-of-Class Hours** 

**Cross Listed or Equivalent Course** 

54

108

Specifications	
Methods of Instruction  Methods of Instruction	Lecture
Methods of Instruction	Discussion
Methods of Instruction	Multimedia
Methods of Instruction	Guest Speakers
Methods of Instruction	Presentations

# **Out of Class Assignments**

- Reading assignments
- Website view and review (e.g. Garmin tutorial, FAA publications or videos)
- Airport field trip

Methods of Evaluation	Rationale
Exam/Quiz/Test	Written examinations
Activity (answering journal prompt, group activity)	Problem-solving exercises
Activity (answering journal prompt, group activity)	Student demonstrations (e.g. simulated cockpit communications, avionics functions)
Exam/Quiz/Test	Final exam

# **Textbook Rationale**

This is the latest edition

Textbooks
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Author	Title	Publisher	Date	ISBN
Federal Aviation Administration	Advanced Avionics Handbook: FAA-H-8083-6.	New York: Skyhorse Publishing	2014	978-1-61608-533- 9

# Other Instructional Materials (i.e. OER, handouts)

Citation	No value	
Online Resource(s)	No value	
Materials Fee		
No value		
Learning Outcomes and Objectiv	es	
Course Objectives		
Interpret the information provided by advanced	avionics systems.	
Utilize aircraft automation including flight manag	gement systems (FMS) and auto-pilots.	
Integrate the increased awareness provided by the	nese systems as well as how the same systems can pose pitf	alls.
Explain the importance of decisions about poten	tial hazards, such as terrain and weather.	
Relate how these systems can sometimes have a	negative effect on pilot risk-taking behavior.	
SLOs		
Explain the use of aircraft automation equipme	nt including flight management systems ("FMS") and auto	
ILOs Demonstrate depth of knowledge in a c Core methodologies to solve unique problem ILOs	course, discipline, or vocation by applying practical knowledge, ski ns.	Expected Outcome Performance: 70.0
Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of	using advanced avionics systems in flight.	Expected Outcome Performance: 70.0
ILOs Analyze and solve problems using critic Core cultivate creativity that leads to innovati ILOs	al, logical, and creative thinking; ask questions, pursue a line of ind ive ideas.	quiry, and derive conclusions;
Compare and contrast traditional and advanced	d avionics systems and instruments.	Expected Outcome Performance: 70.0
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Advanced Avionics Handbook: FAA-H-8083-6

Federal Aviation Administration

Description

**Additional SLO Information** 

Author

Does this proposal include revisions that might improve student attainment of course learning outcomes?	
No	
Is this proposal submitted in response to learning outcomes assessment data?	
No	
If yes was selected in either of the above questions for learning outcomes, explain and attach evidence of discussions about	ut learning
outcomes.	
No Value	
SLO Evidence	
No Value	

# **Course Content**

#### **Lecture Content**

#### Introduction to Technically Advanced Aircraft (5 hours)

• Selection and operation of Advanced Avionics Systems

#### **Electronic Flight Instruments** (5 hours)

- Primary Flight Display (PFD)
- Enhancements to primary flight instruments
- Failure of the PFD

#### Area Navigation Basics (3 hours)

- The Area Navigation (RNAV) Concept
- · System hardware
- Simulators for learning and practice

# Flight Planning (5 hours)

- Routes, waypoints, and airways
- Route discontinuity

#### Fuel, Time and Distance data (3 hours)

- · Verifying distances
- Groundspeed and estimated time of arrival (ETA)
- Fuel calculations

#### **Route Modification (3 hours)**

- Adding and deleting waypoints
- Proceeding direct to any waypoint
- Risks of Direct-To routes
- Selecting an instrument approach
- Descent calculations and procedures

# Intercepting courses (3 hours)

- Intercept and tracking of courses
- · Holding patterns
- Flying arcs

#### Approaches (3 hours)

- Lateral/Vertical Navigation (LNAV/VNAV)
- Precision and non-precision approaches
- Course reversals
- Missed Approaches

# **Ground-Based Navigation (3 hours)**

- Configuring flight management systems for ground-based navigation
- Tuning and identifying
- Precision and non-precision approaches using ground-based navigation

#### Automated Flight Control for Lateral Navigation (3 hours)

- How to use an Autopilot
- Flight director description and use

### Automated Flight Control for Vertical Navigation (3 hours)

- Climbs and descents
- Flight level change (FLC)

• Altitude alerting systems

# Automated Flight Control During Approach (Coupled Approaches) (3 hours)

- Instrument landing systems (ILS)
- Lateral Navigation with vertical guidance (LNAV/VANV)

#### Information Systems and the Moving Map (3 hours)

- Multi-Function Displays (MFD)
- Features and use of the moving map
- Common errors: using moving map as a navigation instrument

#### Information Systems, Terrain Awareness (3 hours)

- Terrain display
- Synthetic vision
- Terrain Awareness Systems: TAWS A and TAWS B
- Deactivating terrain warning

# Information Systems, Weather (3 hours)

- Cockpit weather systems
- Onboard equipment: Radar and Lightning detectors and weather sensors

#### Information Systems, Other (3 hours)

- Onboard and ground-based traffic sensors and data
- Responding to traffic alerts
- Electronic charts and checklists
- Engine Information and Crew Alerting System (EICAS)

**Total hours: 54** 

Additional Information
Is this course proposed for GCC Major or General Education Graduation requirement? If yes, indicate which requirement in the two areas provided below.
GCC Major Requirements  No Value
GCC General Education Graduation Requirements  No Value
Repeatability  Not Repeatable
Justification (if repeatable was chosen above)  No Value

# Resources

Did you contact your departmental library liaison?

Yes

If yes, who is your departmental library liason?

Adina Lerner (Technology & Aviation, Visual & Performing Arts)

Did you contact the DEIA liaison?
Yes
Were there any DEIA changes made to this outline?
No
If yes, in what areas were these changes made:
No Value
Will any additional resources be needed for this course? (Click all that apply)
• No
If additional resources are needed, add a brief description and cost in the box provided.
No Value