

## **Aviation Management**

### **Introduction**

In addition to educating pilots, the Aviation Program at Delaware State lays a strong foundation for a wide range of careers in the aviation industry. With an Aviation Management degree, students gain first-hand experience and knowledge in subjects such as

- airport management
- air and ground safety
- economics and finance
- personnel management
- aviation law and regulations

Employers seek out Delaware State's aviation graduates because the program has such a good track record. Our students have access to excellent facilities and a first-rate faculty, and they have gone on to great success as airport administrators, air traffic controllers, industry analysts, transportation regulators, and executives for aviation corporations. In the 20-year history of our flight school, 100 percent of our graduates have gained employment within the aviation industry.

### **Professional Preparation**

A new generation of leaders is needed in air traffic control and airport administration, as the current generation is rapidly approaching retirement age. With an Aviation Management degree, graduates will be qualified to fill those vacancies. We have an excellent working relationship with the Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA). Many of our undergraduates have work-study jobs with DRBA during school, and/or gain full-time jobs there after graduation.

The Aviation program is approved by the State of Delaware Education Department for Veterans Flight Training.

### **Faculty**

All members of the Delaware State flight school faculty have spent many years working in the aviation industry. Their backgrounds cover all sectors within the industry, including military, commercial, and private planes; airport management; air traffic control; safety and regulation; and aerodynamic engineering and product design. As a result, students are exposed to a broad range of perspectives and insights.

All our faculty are committed to the program values of dedication, safety, unity, an attitude of success, and professionalism.

### **Research and Experience**

The Aviation Management program offers many opportunities for professional development and networking. Our internship relationships with Continental Airlines, DuPont Aviation, and the DRBA enable students to develop real-world experience and skills within the aviation industry. We also maintain close ties with the local chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen and the Organization of Black Airline Pilots (OBAP), offering an Aviation Career Education (ACE) Camp and the OBAP Solo Flight Academy.

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